

Proposed Minutes of the Special Board Meeting  
April 18, 2011

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President Van Sickler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the commons.

Members present: Freeman, Keyes, Palmer, Ryckman, Van Sickler,  
McNerney arr. at 7:45 p.m.

Members absent: Peglow

Administrators present: Beal, Hubbard, Weaver

Administrators absent: none

Visitors present: Mayna Spohn, Sharon Davis, Justin Gifford, Melinda Doll,  
Tracey Reed, Betsy Snyder, Jeanette Vaughn, Phyllis Marshall, Steve Lott, Ronda Judge,  
Tracey Bos, Nick Kilmer, Janell Kilmer, Shannon King, Shane King, Tami Emmons,  
Mary Johnson, Tom Anderson, Elaine Lowery, Carol Herman, Robert Herman,  
Karen Nickerson, Randy Hansen, Shana Angell, Kathy Dargitz, Mary Lu Throop,  
Karen Berry, Clifford Palmer, Stephanie Howe, Lois Carver, Larry Koutz, Robert Cook,  
Joanne Rhode, Laura Neelis, Nicole Whitmore, Kathy Melinowski, Rob Edwards,  
Brian Zinn, Teresa Helton, Bonnie Walker, Traci McCormick, Karen Waldron,  
Anna Spindler, Kerry Krzymicki, Mike Delacourt, Ed Morey, Jeanne Morey,  
Tammy Dickman, Jody Johnston, Sharle Wilmot, Lori Wolfe, Ben Steele,  
Stephanie Smith, Randy Marsh, Tammi Daymon, Amy Johnston, Dianne Wilson,  
Barbra Alexander, Elias Hernandez, Andrew Vaughn, Elizabeth Vaughn, Ryan Elsea,  
Sherri Wing, Valarie Johnston, Peggy Van Luven, Keith Van Luven, Christa Phillips,  
Bill Walker, Peggy Chiarenzelli, Phillip Chiarenzelli, Amanda Slezak,  
Mary Beth Calverley, Rhonda McNerney, Jim Hodges, Amanda Hallock, Bryan Young,  
Michelle Young, Brian Hall, Kathy Palmer, Maureen Murphy, Araina Wrisley,  
Jeanne Denman, Laura Parcher, Steve Parcher, Senator Judy Emmons

Guest Recognition: none

#### Approval of Agenda

Motion by Freeman, support by Keyes to approve the agenda as presented.  
Motion CARRIED 5-0

#### New Business

Budget Presentation – Mr. Beal

Superintendent Beal presented to the board and community the budget crisis from State budget cuts. Beal stated that there is a big increase in the retirement cost for the next year. Declining enrollment from a big senior class leaving with a smaller kindergarten class enrolling. Reduction in federal money used for Title. The district received some one-time money from Edu jobs and ARRA.

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If the district does nothing and the district keeps everything the same, with retirement increase and health insurance increase the district will be broke by the end of next school year. Beal discussed some of the options that the administration has talked about to increase revenue. Superintendent Beal also discussed some the ideas that the staff put on a survey that they completed last week.

Workshop Session – entire Board & Community

All of the community members split up to different tables and 1 board member met with each table. The groups discussed different ideas to save money for the district.

Sharing Out

Items discussed:

Participation fee for sports, a smaller fee for the academic fees (afraid kids would drop if fee was too high)

Transportation – did not like the idea of cutting out completely

One way transportation to athletic events

Option of a 4-day week (we are required by law to meet the same number of days we had for school this year)

Shared Superintendent Services

Shared Business services. (Freeman stated he did not like this, he wants to know who is taking care of the district finances)

1 Principal system

Keep travel down for non-conference games

Have parents pick up student insurance

Charging senior citizens at games

Send out a questionnaire on bussing

Raise the athletic events fee

The group was in favor of the Yearbook Club

Athletic Director becoming a fulltime teacher, Athletic being a stipend. (Possibly Sports Booster could pick up that cost)

District takes care of mowing. Not hire outside

Band, Choir and Yearbook all going to clubs after school

Keep it away from students as much as possible

In favor of the shared superintendent and business service

Instead of pay to play, pay a share of the cost of uniforms

Clean rooms every other day to save costs

When it came down to cutting programs or cutting transportation, the group would cut transportation

Operational time frame, saving money at different times of the year

Shared Superintendent/Principal

Offering enrichment classes to community members

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Opening up the weight room to the community for a nominal fee  
Adult Education/Alternative Education in the district

Superintendent Beal stated that he will make the recommendation to the board in May so that those employees know where they stand and have a fighting chance to gain employment elsewhere. The message you need to give our legislature is to stop higher education funding being taken away from the K-12 School Aid Fund.

Guest Recognition: none

Motion by Ryckman, support by Freeman to adjourn at 9:08 p.m.  
Motion CARRIED 6-0

Karen S. Grover  
Recording Secretary