

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

August 15, 2016

A public tax rate hearing for the tax levy to be set for 2016-17 school year was held at 6:45 P.M. on August 15, 2016. Board members Mehrens, Kroenke, Eckhoff, Beaman, Parrott, Sell, and Yearout were present. Also present were Kevin Smith and Carol Waibel. Mr. Smith recommended the following tax rates be set for the 2016-17 school year: General Fund - \$3.54; Special Revenue Fund -0-; and Debt Service Fund - \$.50. Total tax rate of \$4.04. After discussion the tax rate hearing was closed.

Board members present for the regular meeting on August 15, 2016 were Mehrens, Kroenke, Eckhoff, Beaman, Parrott, Sell, and Yearout.

Also present were Kevin Smith, Marc Spunaugle, Becky Eifert and Carol Waibel. Mark Blythe with OPAA! also attended along with Teresa Viebrock to present reports.

Call to Order President Mehrens declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Amendments to the Agenda There were no amendments to the agenda.

Citizens Comments There were no citizen’s comments at the meeting.

Consent Agenda Copies of the August 15, 2016 agenda, the July 18, 2016 regular meeting minutes, and pages 1 and 2 of the August 15, 2016 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. A separate page 3 of bills was available at the meeting. The tax rate hearing was held prior to the regular meeting and the recommended tax rates are \$3.54 for general fund (Fund 1) and 50 cents for debt service fund (Fund 3) for a total rate of \$4.04 for the 2016-2017 school year. Board members desire to readopt board policy and regulation 0342, which includes the ethics resolution. Mr. Smith recommends setting the tuition rate for non-resident students that request to attend the Lincoln R-2 School District to be \$8,000 per student for the 2016-2017 school year. The amount is based on our per pupil cost. The Special Education Compliance Plan was available for board members to review. After questions and discussion a motion was made by Beaman, seconded by Yearout to approve all items included in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Program Evaluations
a. Health Services Teresa Viebrock, the school district nurse, reported on the health services program. A summary of health office visits for the last school year was discussed with the board members, and she updated the board on immunizations. After questions and discussion, Teresa Viebrock left the meeting.

A motion was made by Kroenke, seconded by Sell to approve the Health Services program evaluation as presented. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Food Service Proposal Mark Blythe was present representing OPAA! and shared the food service proposal with the board. Motion by Yearout, seconded by Eckhoff, to approve OPAA! as our food service provider for 2016-2017 with the first date on site of September 19, 2016.

Administrator Reports Mr. Smith shared with the board about the beginning of school activities and the staff returning today.

Mr. Spunaugle commented that the high school staff are anxious to start the new school year. Student enrollment currently is at 224 for the upcoming school year.

Mrs. Eifert reported that there are 252 elementary students currently enrolled. Classrooms and teachers are ready for the new year.

Executive Session A motion was made by Sell, seconded by Parrott to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13)) at 8:23 P.M. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Yearout-yes; Sell-yes; Parrott-yes; Beaman-yes; Eckhoff-yes; Kroenke-absent; and Mehrens-yes. Total vote 7 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:35 P.M.

Adjournment There being no further business a motion was made by Sell, seconded by Yearout to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

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