

United School District
Special Board Meeting
June 29, 2016

The Special Board Meeting of the United School Directors was held on Wednesday, June 29, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Junior-Senior High School Board Room, for general purposes including but not limited to the following:

Members Present: Eric Matava (via phone), Donald Davis, Tommey Heming, Trudy DeRubis, James Fry, Dan Henning, Sandra Mack, Ronald Moyer (via phone)

Members Absent: Leah Skedel

Others Present: Dr. Barbara L. Parkins, Superintendent
G. Thomas Kalinyak, Director of Finance/Board Secretary
Ronald Saffron, Solicitor

ATHLETIC/STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Dan Henning moved to approve the following items (A – B) as listed below:

Volunteers: A. The list of volunteers for the 2016-2017 school year, pending receipt of proper documentation:

1. Veronica Plowman – Elementary – Lewis Kindja
2. Justin Henning – High School – Michael Worthington
3. Gabrielle Mardis – High School – Michael Worthington
4. Steven Barbus – High School – Michael Worthington
5. Rebecca Penrose – High School – Michael Worthington
6. Dan Rich – High School – Michael Worthington

Student Clubs & Organization Budgetary Outlines: B. The Student Clubs & Organization Budgetary Outlines for the following for the 2016-2017 school year:

1. United Elementary Yearbook Club
2. Class of 2018
3. Bible Club
4. Elementary Student Government
5. Senior Class
6. National Honor Society
7. Drama Club
8. 8th Grade Class
9. United FFA
10. United Music Boosters

Sandra Mack seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION: Dan Henning moved to approve the following items (A – C) as listed below:

- 21st Century Conference: A. The activity request from Michael Worthington to attend the 21st Century Community Learning Center 2016 Summer Institute in Phoenix, Arizona on the dates of July 18 – 21, 2016, at a cost of \$1,061.41. Budgeted grant funds are available.
- 21st Century Conference: B. The activity request from Jane Short to attend the 21st Century Community Learning Center 2016 Summer Institute in Phoenix, Arizona on the dates of July 18 – 21, 2016, at a cost of \$1,061.41. Budgeted grant funds are available.
- Donation: C. The donation of a check in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be used towards purchasing a new scoreboard.

Trudy DeRubis seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

FINANCE: James Fry moved to approve the following items (A – G) as listed below:

- 2016-2017 Homestead Farmstead Exclusion Resolution: A. To adopt the 2016 – 2017 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution as presented to the Board of School Directors, which Resolution establishes the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead as \$192.47. The full text of the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution is incorporated into this Motion in its entirety and shall be made a part of the official minutes of this meeting.
- The Meadows Letter of Agreement: B. A Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center for the 2016-2017 school year to provide educational services to individuals assigned to the United School District and The Meadows Psychiatric Center at the rate of \$60.00 per day. The appropriate officers of the Board are hereby authorized to execute the Letter of Agreement on behalf of the school district.
- Flexible Benefits Plan & HRA: C. To approve the United School District Flexible Benefits Plan (referred to as a Section 125 of FSA) and Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) in the name of the United School District, to implement healthcare benefits changes negotiated by the United School District and United Education Support Professionals Association, effective July 1, 2016.
- Mid-America HRA & FSA: D. To approve Mid-America Administrative & Retirement Solutions, Inc. to offer and administer the HRA and FSA, for support professionals impacted by the healthcare benefit changes effective July 1, 2016.

Finance continued:

- Execution of HRA & FSA By Board/Board Secretary: E. To authorize the administration, Board President and Board Secretary to execute any documentation necessary to implement the Flexible Benefit Plan (125) and Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) to be offered and administered by Mid-America Administration & Retirement Solutions, to include the Plan Documents.
- Equalized Real Estate Tax Millage: F. Due to the countywide revision of real property assessments to be utilized for the first time in fiscal year 2016 – 2017, the Board of School Directors hereby fixes the equalized real estate tax millage rate for fiscal year 2016 – 2017 at 11.156 mills, which is the breakeven real estate tax millage rate equivalent to fiscal year 2015 – 2016's millage tax rate of 102.15 mills.
- Asbestos Removal by NorthStar Contracting Group: G. To approve NorthStar Contracting Group, Inc. to remove asbestos containing materials in pipe and fitting insulation from approximately six locations, in connection with the energy savings project. The cost of the abatement is \$9,325.00

Dan Henning seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

2016-2017 Final Fiscal Year Budget: James Fry moved to adopt the 2016 – 2017 final fiscal year budget in the amount of \$21,417,482 with a no tax increase in the current rate on all the real property located within the United School District upon which county taxes are levied and assessed, as presented to the School Board and which budget is made a part hereof and is incorporated into the minutes of this meeting in its entirety, and which budget generally provides as follows: revenues of \$20,551,815; expenses of \$21,417,482; and funds from the District's fund balance of \$865,667. Sandra Mack seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Tax Revenue Resolutions: James Fry moved to adopt the following resolutions to provide the tax revenue needed in order to fund the 2016 – 2017 final fiscal year Budget, all of which resolutions are adopted relative to the 2016 – 2017 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017:

- A. The assessment and levying for the 2016 – 2017 fiscal year, beginning on July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017, a tax on all the real property within the United School District upon which the county taxes are levied and assessed, at the rate of 11.156 mills of the assessed value of such real property as provided by the Indiana County Board of Assessments, which equates to \$1.1156 per \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property.
- B. The levying, assessment and re-enactment of a per capita tax of \$5.00 under Section 679 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, on each inhabitant or resident of the United School District at the age of 18 or older.

Finance continued: Item B – Tax Resolutions continued:

- C. The levying, assessment and re-enactment of a per capita tax of \$5.00 on each inhabitant or resident of the United School District at the age of 18 or older as authorized by Act 511.
- D. The levying and assessment of an earned income and net profits tax (wage tax) on earned income received and net profits earned by the inhabitants or residents of the United School District at the rate of 0.85% for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017, in accordance with the Districts' resolution which by its terms shall continue in full force and effect without annual re-enactment.
- E. The levying and assessment of a real estate transfer tax at the rate of one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the value of all real estate transferred within the United School District pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the District's realty transfer tax resolution which by its terms shall continue in full force and effect without annual re-enactment.
- F. The levying, assessment of a Local Services Tax in the amount of \$5.00 as authorized by the Local Tax Enabling Act.
- G. To set for the 2016 – 2017 fiscal year the discount rate at two percent (2.0%) and the penalty rate at ten percent (10.0%) on the following taxes: the real property tax as enacted, levied and assessed by the District, the per capita tax as enacted, levied and assessed by the District under Section 679 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, and the per capita tax enacted, levied and assessed by the District under Act 511.

Dan Henning seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Supplemental Resignation: Donald Davis moved to approve the resignation of Marissa Kletter, from her supplemental position of Assistant Marching Band Director, effective June 29, 2016. Trudy DeRubis seconded the motion. Roll Call was as follows: YEA, all voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

ARIN Report - Trudy DeRubis (Representative) – Trudy DeRubis reported that ARIN held a Reorganization Meeting naming the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Legislative Representative Report - Eric Matava (Representative) – No report given.

Technology Center - Tommey Heming (Representative) – Dan Henning (Alternate Representative) – Dan Henning reported that there was a new secretary hired and that there will be 64 United students attending in the 2016-2017 school year.

UESP Contract Negotiations Committee - Ronald Moyer - (Representative) – No report given.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.



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