

Minutes
Public Hearing/Regular Board of Education Meeting
Of the
O'Fallon Community Consolidated School District 90
Board of Education
Tuesday, December 20, 2016
Fulton Jr. High (Cafeteria)
307 Kyle Road
6:45 P.M.

Public Hearing

Call to Order -- The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

Presentation of the FY17 Tax Levy -- Patty Cavins presented. Mrs. Cavins will send the tax levy paperwork to the County Clerk if approved. The District is asking for a 4.99% tax levy. This is equal to about \$16.6 million.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Mary Baskett made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Matt Lloyd seconded the motion. All Board members present voted aye. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order/Roll Call -- The regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Board members in attendance: John Wagnon, Matt Lloyd, Steve Springer, Becky Drury, Rebecca Huller and Mary Baskett

Board members absent: Todd Roach

Others in attendance (per sign in form): See attached sign in sheet for attendees. Also in attendance: Carrie Hruby, Patty Cavins and Lynn Biehl

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda -- Steve Springer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Matt Lloyd seconded the motion. All Board members present voted aye. The motion carried.

November 15, 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

*December 5, 2016 Special Board Meeting Minutes
Approval of Bills from November 13 to December 14, 2016*

Personnel Consent Agenda -- Steve Springer made a motion to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda. Becky Drury seconded the motion. All Board members present voted aye.

Approval of Personnel Action Items

Social Work Service Services Contract (to cover a maternity leave)

Speech Language Pathologist Services Contracts, per IEP Needs (grant funded)

Director of Safety and Security Job Description

Presentation of Financial/Treasurer's Report -- Patty Cavins presented. FY16 4th and FY17 1st categorical payments have not been released yet. To date the District has received \$2,360,177 in state aid. The District is 42% through the year. O&M is up a little over last month because bond payments were made. The District is at 95% of budget in Health Life Safety because the need to replace heat exchangers came up after the budget. The Trane rebate went into O&M account. A collection agency out of Springfield was chosen to collect fees. Mrs. Cavins should have an update in January about the fee collection. There is a 35% fee for the collection agency - they take 35% of what is collected. Springer asked about small claims court. Mrs. Cavins said that is something we could look into. If families who owe past year fees pay fees for the new year, we apply those fees toward the past year. No extra curricular activities are allowed until fees have been paid.

Public Comment

None

Board Committee Reports

- a. *Building Committee* - Becky Drury presented - Trane needs to readjust the heat with the cold weather coming. Some of our rooms have been down to 55 degrees. The staff has been patient. Hopefully by March Trane will be completely done. Heat exchangers that needed to be replaced weren't Trane parts. Wagnon would like Trane to give us a report on the amount of energy saved. Drury stated we can have them present at the January or February Board meeting..
- b. *Finance Committee* - Steve Springer presented. The committee did not meet.
- c. *Policy Committee* - Rebecca Huller presented. The committee will meet tomorrow.
- d. *BEST Committee* - Mary Baskett presented. Nothing to report.
- e. *BASSC* - Rebecca Huller presented - They are doing some cross wise comparisons of our district with other districts.

Old Business

Approval of Proposed Tax Levy -- Mary Baskett made a motion to approve the Tax Levy as presented. Becky Drury seconded the motion. All Board members present voted aye. The motion passed.

Boundaries Discussion -- Carrie Hruby presented. The committee met after the last Board meeting and put together information based on questions from the Board. Title 1 funds are figured by finding the District average than any school in the District at or above that average is eligible for Title 1 funds. None of the options have truly contiguous boundaries. All options put the District closer to balanced FRL than where it is today, but some balance it better than others. Additional information added to spreadsheet includes the number of current preschool kids in blue and new subdivision developments. The City will provide the District an update on new plats in January. One new development we know of is intended for senior citizens so it was not included in the data being presented. Rebecca Huller stated she is not happy with this process and would like the Board to delay the decision until next year. Matt Lloyd stated student transfers is a hard thing but it is only affecting 45 kids this year; these options will transfer a lot of kids. Superintendent Hruby reminded him there is a difference between transfer and switching schools based on boundaries. President Wagnon stated Evans and EK have no new growth plan and asked if the committee looked at moving some kids from Schaefer to those schools. Superintendent Hruby stated yes - that is Option B which doesn't balance FRL. Mary Baskett stated she would be uncomfortable with waiting to make a decision next year. Superintendent Hruby reminded Board members that adding sections of a couple of grades won't fix the problem because we don't know what grades new students moving into the District will be in. Superintendent Hruby stated the committee has worked hard over the past year looking at options and preparing data for the Board, and has been as transparent as possible throughout the process. Superintendent Hruby also stated busing costs for a 5th grade center would be addressed by staggering start times of the schools. A preschool center shouldn't add to busing costs as most of those students are dropped off. The Board decided there will be one more discussion at the January Board Meeting and then a vote at the February Board Meeting. Superintendent Hruby thanked the Board and the public for the constructive feedback.

New Business

Discussion of Date to Set District Board Goals - Last year the Board came up with current board goals. Some of the goals have been met and can be crossed off the list. Lynn Biehl will collect dates the Board members are available.

Public Comment -- Kalya Boyd - Has committee considered pulling preschool out of Schaefer and putting those students into EK or Evans? If one family has one child being transferred is the family giving the option of having the other students transfer to same school?

Jeff Taylor - What percentage of students are moved after the start of school? In several of these options, the Jr. High boundaries don't match the elementary boundaries. The District needs to look at keeping students together in K-8. He is encouraged to hear the Board is looking a Option B again.

Fory Wells - Does the Board have to take a recommendation as is or can they change the options? In October it looked like Option A was the only option and that is the reason people were in an uproar. Also initially it was stated the main reason for changing the boundaries was to balanced FRL, and nothing was said about capacity issues He thinks maybe a soft change needs to be made. The preschool center would be very dramatic for the District. A change needs to be made that would affect the least amount of students.

Curt Iffert - He thanked the Board for deciding to make the decision in February. How does a vote get made? Transfers are such a big deal. He registered as early as possible to make sure his children wouldn't be transferred.

Superintendent Hruby - The registration process isn't complete until fees are paid, paperwork is completed and registration requirements are met. However, not all transfers haven't paid fees, it depends on if the grade level is frozen.

Alaina Pipas - She doesn't think it is a good idea to make Evans a preschool because she believes open classrooms won't work for that age group.

President Wagnon thanked the staff that stayed with the after care students on Friday night due to the ice storm.

Matt Lloyd made a Motion to Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Issues Relative to Personnel, Negotiations, Student Discipline, Litigation and Review of Closed Session Minutes, according to Section 2, subsection (c) (1), (2), (9), (11) and (21) of the 5 ILCS 12/2 from Ch. 102, par. 41. Rebecca Huller seconded the motion. All Board members present approved at 9:18 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 9:55 p.m.

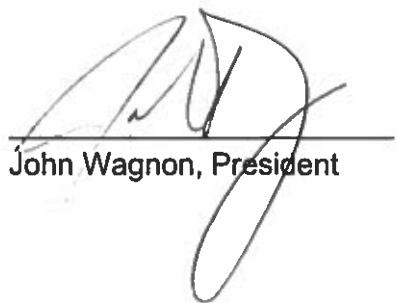
Steve Springer made a motion to approve November 15, 2016 and December 5, 2016 Executive Session Minutes as presented. Matt Lloyd seconded the motion. All Board members present approved.

Steve Springer made a motion to approve the six month review of Executive Session written minutes and audio tapes. Mary Baskett seconded the motion. All Board members present approved. The includes the destruction of the following Executive Session verbatim recordings more than 18 months old:

June 16, 2015
June 11, 2015
May 20, 2015
May 12, 2015

April 21, 2015
March 17, 2015
February 17, 2015
January 20, 2015
January 15, 2015
January 14, 2015
January 8, 2015
January 7, 2015
January 6, 2015
December 16, 2014
December 9, 2014
December 8, 2014

Adjournment -- Mary Baskett made a motion to adjourn. Matt Lloyd seconded the motion. All Board members present approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



John Wagnon, President



Mary Baskett, Secretary