

**MINUTES
OF A
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
7 P.M.**

President Coers called the Special Board of Education Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for a Roll Call.

PRESENT: Mary Baskett, Becky Drury, Steven Hellen, Keith Richter, Steve Springer,
and John Coers

ABSENT: Scott Adkins

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dennis Gallo, Mark Raeber, Annette Neighbors, Lori Miller, Susan Weiser, Jacque Grant, Bobbie Overby, Steven Gonther, John Valentine, Teresa Derby, Julie Gerstenecker

Moved by Richter, seconded by Hellin, to include an Executive Session for Personnel added to the Agenda. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT none

Dr. Koehl began the discussion on the Technology Proposal and then turned the meeting over to Dennis Gallo, Technology Coordinator.

Mr. Gallo explained the five year plan and moving ahead with the infra structure for the future. Moyer needs to be cabled: six mobile large display devices per room, five other devices, and three carts of twenty. The computer Lab will be maintained with 31 Windows based devices. Only the IPADS will be wireless.

Currently we are looking at three companies for wireless:

1. Clearview (state)
2. Clearway (Belleville)
3. An Indiana Company

IPADS would be used in grades K-5..

Curriculum was discussed. Mr. Gallo gave an example of teacher teaching action verbs with the use of an IPAD, a mobile environment for learning.

To continue with Phase 1 at Hinchcliffe, the District Office will explore funding. Dr. Koehl and Mr. Gallo will report at the April Board meeting the cost and where the financing will come from.

Moved by Richter, seconded by Hellin, to authorize the Superintendent to explore funding for the infra structure. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pricilla Rumph asked if there was going to be computer teachers?

She also asked if there was a budget for everything. Dr. Koehl explained the computer budget and the 5 year budget plan.

Ms. Rumph asked how the Board determined that Hinchcliffe would get the IPADS? Response was we will not do a pilot program at Hinchcliffe; Hinchcliffe is next on the list to be refreshed so it is where we will start with the new program.

Bobbie Overby said Dennis has been exploring to determine where we need to go with technology. What is the status on the computer teachers?

Kevin asked if we have money to handle problems not planned for. Mr. Gallo stated that we will have a demo lab to test everything.

Steve Gunther said we should do technical requirements first. Have the budget concerns been thought of? What are our true requirements?

Hellin replied that the Board has discussed some of this previously. There has been analysis prior to tonight.

Moved by Baskett, seconded by Springer, to enter into an Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel according to Section 2, subsection c, #1 of the Open Meeting Act. Roll Call. All voted aye. Motion carried. (8:43 p.m.)

Moved by Hellen to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Baskett. All voted aye. Motion carried. (8:57 p.m.)

Moved by Springer, seconded by Hellin to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.
Adjournment time was 8:58 p.m.

John Coers, President

Rebecca Drury, Secretary