

**West Carroll Board of Education
Public Hearing – Amended Budget
Regular Board Meeting
June 16, 2011**

A public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2011 Amended Budget of West Carroll Community Unit School District No. 314, was held in the WC Intermediate School Library/Media Center, 801 South Street, Thomson, Illinois.

The hearing was called to order by Vice President Atherton at 6:34 p.m.

Members present: Jerry Anderson; Tim Atherton; John Brigham; Mark Klein; Dawn Rath

Members Absent: Mike Highland, Bev Kilpatrick

Administration: Superintendent Craig Mathers

Others present: LaMoine Aude, Media (Bill Gengenbach, Samantha Pidge, Michael Miller, Bob Watson)

Public Hearing on the Amended FY2011 Budget

The amended budget has been displayed for thirty days. The budget was amended to reflect three changes since the original budget was adopted September 16, 2010. It was decided to take advantage of the opportunity to show the loan transfers to the transportation and operations and maintenance funds from the working cash fund. Administrative line items exceeded the 5% annual cap that is mandated by ISBE and must be corrected – property insurance was incorrectly coded to the education fund instead of the tort fund. A few new line items were added to more accurately reflect and track funds in the areas of IMRF interest income, Carl Perkins Grant, district wireless expenses, and payments to the AVC. No funds were added or deleted from the budget just a realignment of funds between cells. There were no questions from Board members or the audience.

Adjourn the Public Hearing

Motion by Klein to adjourn the public hearing at 6:36 p.m. and convene the regular meeting of the Board of Education. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of West Carroll Community Unit School District No. 314 was held at the West Carroll Intermediate Library/Media Center, 801 South Street, Thomson, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Atherton at 6:37 p.m.

Members present: Jerry Anderson; Tim Atherton; John Brigham; Mark Klein; Dawn Rath

Members Absent: Mike Highland, Bev Kilpatrick

Administration: Superintendent Craig Mathers

Others present: LaMoine Aude, Media (Bill Gengenbach, Samantha Pidge, Michael Miller, Bob Watson)

Consent Agenda

- Minutes from the May 19, 2011; Regular Meeting
- Minutes from the May 19, 2011; Regular Meeting, Closed Session
- Minutes from the June 1, 2011; Special Meeting
- Minutes from the June 1, 2011; Special Meeting, Closed Session
- Minutes from the June 2, 2011; Special Meeting

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- Minutes from the June 15, 2011; Special Meeting
- Minutes from the June 15, 2011; Special Meeting, Closed Session
- Financial Reports; Payment of Bills; Activity Accounts; FRIS Report
- Destruction of the Closed Session Tape from the Regular Meeting, September 17, 2009 (1 tape)

Superintendent Mathers explained the payments to Eastland and Chadwick-Milledgeville. West Carroll has received reimbursement from ISBE for the preschool program. This money is due to the school districts because they made payments to West Carroll last fall to help with funding of the preschool program. A large payment to the Regional Office of Education is the final payment for salary and benefits for the preschool employees for FY2011. The state still owes \$147,000 for preschool reimbursement. If these funds are received prior to June 30th West Carroll will pay Eastland and Chadwick-Milledgeville what is owed them by June 30th.

Motion by Brigham to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second by Rath. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Public Comments

LaMoine Aude thanked the Board of Education for the confidence they had in him as transportation director for the last six years. Superintendent Mathers thanked Bill Gengenbach (Carroll County Review) for the wonderful article that was printed about Beth Holland, retiring cafeteria worker.

Correspondence

Thank you notes were received from Christine Davis, Hillcrest; Jen Goss (memorial – Tim Goss, her husband); Scott and Sylvia Schneider; Beth Holland; Kathy Prins; Julie Lindstrom (Thomson Alumni Association); Pat Fuller; and Joan and Jerry Anderson (memorial - Avis Walter).

Administrative Reports

In absence of the technology director and the principals Mr. Mathers gave a brief synopsis of their written reports. The technology department has been working very hard relocating all the computers from the Intermediate to the Primary School. The principals and secretaries are working finalizing end of the year reports for ISBE. Summer school is going well. The custodians are working hard with moving and cleaning the buildings. There are camps all over the district. Even though this is summer there are students present doing all kinds of activities. Mrs. Ashby is finalizing the paperwork to make West Carroll district wide Title I.

Mr. Mathers reported that the percentage of student attendance at the end of the year was 95.09%. This is the highest percentage ever and shows a significant increase from the previous year. He asked all board members if they had received the School Board Members Activity Summary from IASB. Klein and Brigham asked that copies be sent to them. Several legislative reports were included in the board packet. Senate Bill 7 is receiving the most attention pitting teacher performance over teacher seniority.

Board Committee Reports

None

Old Business

District Health Insurance

District health insurance renewal was approved at a special meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 but not all Board members were present. Mathers wishes to explain the plan to everyone. The single health insurance premium for employees increased 9.7%: \$539.17 to \$591.51; an increase of \$628.08 per single insured. The voluntary dental, paid by the employee, increased 6.6%. The life insurance premium decreased 15.8%. The district is implementing a Health Savings Account for 2011-2012. More information will be available for employees and a sign-up will be held in January.

District Vehicle Bids

Two bids were received from local dealerships but each bid was received after the posted bid opening time. The Board must decide if they will accept these bids or reject them and rebid for district vehicles. After discussion Board members agreed to accept the two bids from J C Carey Motors and Kunes Country Auto Group. Both dealers made a substitution from the bid specifications from a 2011 GMC Sierra to a 2011 Chevrolet Silverado. Lowest bid for the three vehicles was J C Carey Motors - \$58,245 (does not include taxes, license, or fees). The bid from Kunes Country Auto Group was \$67,626. The vehicles from Carey Motors are on site and have some equipment that differs from the bid specifications costing \$500 - \$600 more. Is the Board willing to accept these additional costs?

Motion by Klein to accept the bid from J C Carey Motors for district vehicles and allow Superintendent Mathers a variance of \$1,000 from the original bid for additional equipment not on the bid specifications. Second by Atherton. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

New Business

Amended FY 2011 Budget

Motion by Atherton to approve the FY 2011 Amended Budget as presented. Second by Klein. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

2011-2012 Board of Education Meeting Dates

It was recommended at the reorganization meeting to move the board meetings to the third Wednesday of the month. The schedule of meeting dates reflects that change. Additional changes were made in November and April due to scheduling conflicts.

Motion by Brigham to approve the 2011-2012 Board of Education meeting dates as presented. Second by Rath. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Early Steps Preschool Update

Mathers reviewed the results from the Early Childhood Compliance visit. Everything went very well with the exception of being cited for not having enough days of student attendance. The grant for next year has been written for five days of attendance to rectify that problem.

Fuel Bids

Mathers asked the Board for permission to let for fuel bids for 2011-2012. Bids will be sent to the two companies currently providing fuel and to local vendors encouraging them to bid.

Motion by Atherton to approve the letting of fuel bids for 2011-2012. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

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Prevailing Wage

The Secretary of State requires all schools to adopt a Resolution of Prevailing Wage. The Regional Office of Education continues to provide support to the area schools by publicizing the statement in the local newspapers.

Motion by Brigham to approve the prevailing wage resolution as presented. Second by Klein. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Savanna Park District – FY12 Swimming Pool Fee Schedule

The Savanna Park District sent the school district a notice of an increase in costs associated with the use of the pool for high school P.E. classes. The pool is used during the first nine weeks of school each year. This is an increase of 14% and the cost is estimated to be \$1,822.50.

Motion by Klein to approve the agreement and fee structure with the Savanna Park District for 2011-2012. Second by Brigham. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Auditor Requirement - GASB 54 Resolutions

The district auditor is requesting the approval of two motions that are new requirements from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. One resolution states the Board will use restricted funds only for their intended purpose. The second resolution states the Board does not have funds committed to a specific cost in the upcoming budget.

Motion by Klein to approve Resolution #R-2011-01 Establishing Fund Balance Policies as required by GASB 54 as presented. Second by Atherton. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Rath to approve Resolution #R-2011-02 Committing Fund Balance as necessitated by GASB 54 as presented. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Official to Review Financial Statements

Another requirement for the audit states the Board must appoint an official to review the preliminary audit findings within five days after receiving the report.

Motion by Brigham to approve Superintendent Mathers as the district official to review the preliminary FY 2011 audit report. Second by Rath. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Closed Session

Motion by Atherton to go into closed session at 7:10 p.m. for the discussion of items A. appointment, employment, discipline, performance or dismissal or removal of specific employees; B. collective bargaining matters or consideration of salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; and F.

special educational programs or other matters relating to individual students. Second by Klein. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

The Board of Education returned the regular meeting to open session at 8:06 p.m.

Action on Closed Session Items

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Motion Klein to accept, with regret, the resignation of Bryan Kamper as WC High School varsity baseball coach. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Atherton to employ Robert Buel as a 5/8 business instructor at WC High School and District website director for the 2011-2012 school year. Second by Klein. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Atherton to employ Becky Wilson as a driver for a special education student attending a summer program out of district. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Atherton to approve paying Diana Hoover a stipend in the amount of \$269.91 as the West Carroll High School SADD advisor for 2010-2011. Second by Rath. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Atherton to adjourn the regular June meeting of the Board of Education at 8:08 p.m. Second by Anderson. Roll call vote: 5 yes; Highland, Kilpatrick absent. Motion carried.

Sandra Aude
Recording Secretary

Beverly Kilpatrick, Secretary
West Carroll Board of Education

Michael D. Highland, President
West Carroll Board of Education