

CHILLICOTHE R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Robin Quinn - Member

Public Hearing August 20, 2013

The Board of Education of the Chillicothe R-II School District held a tax rate hearing at the Chillicothe High School, 2801 Hornet Drive, in the City of Chillicothe, state of Missouri on Tuesday, August 21, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

Members present: Mrs. Westphal, Mr. Skoglund, Mr. Bone, Mr. Leamer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Turner and Mrs. Quinn.

Also present: Dr. Roger Barnes, Cynthia Foster, Terry Mammen, Lanny Estes, Rick McCully, Kelly Price, C-T; Tom Tingherthal, KCHI: and Laura Schuler.

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Westphal called the hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.

Dr. Barnes recommended the approval of the tax rate ceiling of \$3.63 for operating purposes (the same as the previous year); debt service levy of \$0.54; and the capital projects levy of \$0.12 for a total adjusted tax rate of \$4.29 per \$100 assessed valuation, which would be the same as the previous year. The total revenue from collected taxes would be \$5,771,657. Dr. Barnes said that the county's assessed valuation increased by .35 percent compared to last year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Westphal asked for those with any public comment to speak regarding the proposed tax rate. There was no public comment.

Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to approve the tax rate as recommended. Mr. Leamer moved to set the tax rate at \$4.29 assessed valuation per \$100 dollars. Mr. Skoglund second. All were in favor. Motion passes, 6-0.

Regular Open Meeting August 20, 2013

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Members present: Mrs. Westphal, Mr. Skoglund, Mr. Bone, Mr. Leamer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Turner and Mrs. Quinn. Also present: Dr. Roger Barnes, Jim Ruse, Cynthia Foster, Melanie Rucker, Penny Kennebeck, Philip Pohren, Karie Black, Abby Smith, Steve Haley, Brian Sherrow, Jayme Caughron, Adam Wolf, Ruth Ann Summers, Richard McLean, Alan Samm, Jim Luzader, Mike Christopher, Jamie Dysart, Yvonne Haslar, Terry Mammen, Lanny Estes, Rick McCully, Kenny Estes, Kelly Price, C-T; Tom Tingherthal, KCHI: and Laura Schuler.

WELCOME/PLEDGE OF ALLIEGENCE

Mrs. Westphal welcomed those in attendance and led those gathered in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to approve the agenda Mr. Skoglund moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Thomas second. All were in favor. Motion carries 6-0.

WELCOME & PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Westphal welcomed those in attendance and asked if there was anyone wanting to make a public comment. There was no public comment.

STAFF RECOGNITION

Jim Ruse told the Board that the District's maintenance and custodial staff did a great job over the summer, readying the buildings in the District for the start of the 2013-14 school year. He thanked them

for their extra effort and asked the custodians and maintenance in attendance to come forward to receive certificates of appreciation, presented by Board President, Mrs. Westphal. Those accepting certificates were: Jamie Dysart, Jim Luzader, Michael Christopher, Richard King, Alan Samm, Ruth Ann Summers and Yvonne Haslar.

OLD BUSINESS

Board Policies – Second Reading: Mrs. Westphal noted that this was the second of three readings of the suggested MSBA policy updates. The MSBA suggested policy updates will be slated for Board approval during the September 17, 2013 regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda: Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Skoglund moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Bone second. All were in favor. Motion carried, 6-0. Items listed on the Consent Agenda were:

- Minutes from the July 16, 2013 regular meeting, and minutes from the July 23 2013 special meeting;
- Payment of bills totaling \$271,523.22;
- Fund II Transfer. There was no Fund II Transfer.

Finance Report: Dr. Barnes presented the Board the General Ledger and Monthly Finance Report for the month ending July 2013. Also included for comparison was the Monthly Finance Statement from July 2012. Ending balances for each fund are as follows:

Fund 1	\$5,114,855.49
Fund 2	\$312,396.54
Fund 3	\$252,607.92
Fund 4	\$397,298.74
Total:	\$6,077,158.69

The Chillicothe R-II Investments and bank accounts balances as of July 31, 2013, were shown as follows:

- Now Checking Account - \$6,497,776.93 (*Total All General Funds*)
- Employee Health Care and Flex Care Funds \$181,574.99

Missouri Ethics Commission – Conflict of Interest Resolution: Dr. Barnes told the Board that every two years, the District must re-adopt the Conflict of Interest Ordinance as per the Missouri Ethics Commission. Failure to adopt the ordinance requires all Board members to file a Personal Financial Disclosure statement. Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to approve the Conflict of Interest Resolution, BBFA. Mr. Leamer moved to approve Policy BBFA. Mr. Thomas second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0.

Consider Bus Routes for 2013-14: Jim Ruse recommended the Board approve the 2013-14 Bus routes as presented to meet state criteria. Mr. Skoglund moved to approve the 2013-14 bus routes as presented. Mr. Turner second. All were in favor. Motion carries 6-0. (*To see the 2013-14 bus routes, please see the Custodian of Records*).

Consider Bus Drivers Handbooks: Jim Ruse recommended the Board approve the 2013-14 Bus Drivers Handbooks as presented. Mr. Turner moved to approve the 2013-14 Bus Drivers Handbooks as presented. Mr. Leamer second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0. (*To view the 2013-14 bus drivers handbook, please see the Custodian of Records*).

Review the APR Results: Dr. Barnes told the Board the Annual Performance Results for the 2012-2013 school year will be released to the public on August 23, 2013. He told the Board that, while he was unable to release the specific results, the District staff and students should be very proud of themselves for their efforts.

Special Education Compliance Plan: Dr. Barnes told the Board that anytime a change is made regarding the Special Education Compliance Plan, the Board of Education must approve the changes, which are included in the Board packet. Mr. Leamer moved to approve the Special Education Compliance Plan as presented Mr. Thomas second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0. (*To view the Special Education Compliance Plan, see the Custodian of Records*).

Consideration of Insurance Continuation: Dr. Barnes said that the District has the option of continuing for two more years the insurance coverage for Property; Inland Marine; Crime; Broiler and Automotive; Liability; Errors, Omissions and Employment Practices. Summerville Insurance Agency, the District's Fleet Insurance carrier, and Koehly-Baker, all other areas, would be willing to extend the opportunity for two more years if the Board approves. He said that both he and Mr. Ruse agree this would be the best

choice as opposed to the risk of substantially increased premiums due to rebidding each year. Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to approve the insurance continuation. Mr. Turner moved to approve the two-year extension with the District's current insurance agencies, Summerville Insurance and Koehly-Baker. Mr. Bone second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0.

Declare Surplus Property: Dr. Barnes recommended that the following items be declared surplus: A 12,000 pound, four-post, drive-on alignment hoist/lift with stainless steel turntable and rolling bridge jack, with a reserve of \$3,500; and a Dyno from Diesel Tech. Mr. Turner moved to approve the 12,000 pound, four-post, drive-on alignment hoist/lift with a stainless steel turntable and rolling bridge jack and the Dyno from Diesel Tech as Surplus Property, with a reserve of \$3,500 on the alignment hoist. Mr. Skoglund second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0.

Consider Elementary Grants: Dr. Barnes recommended the Board approve three \$250 Farm Bureau grant applications that do not require a District match submitted by Lindsey Goad, Nancy Nowland and Andrea Marriott. Mr. Skoglund moved to approve the grant applications. Mr. Thomas second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 6-0.

Administrative/BOE Committee Reports: The Board reviewed reports submitted by District administrators and an MU Fellows report submitted by Jana Shira.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no Correspondence.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Westphal asked if there was anyone in attendance who would like to make any public comment. There was no public comment.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Westphal asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Skoglund made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of employing, discussing and evaluating personnel, discussing real estate, student and legal matters. Mr. Bone second. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Westphal, yea; Mr. Skoglund, yea; Mr. Bone, yea; Mr. Leamer, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Turner, yea; Mrs. Quinn, yea. Motion carries, 7-0.

Robin Westphal, President

Laura Schuler, Secretary