

RED BUD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 132  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SYNOPSIS  
June 21, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gielow.

The agenda for the meeting was approved with the addition of four letters of correspondence regarding personnel:

1. Approval was given for the resignation of Jessica Froese and Carla Schwehr as Elementary teachers.
2. Approval was given for the resignation of Tony Ringering as Baseball Coach for the High School.
3. Approval was given for the hiring of Kelli Taylor as volunteer softball coach at the Elementary School for the 2007-2008 year.

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. Minutes of Regular Meeting May 17, 2007
  - b. Minutes of continued/organizational Meeting May 14, 2007
2. Approval of Perandoe April 11, 2007 Minutes, Personnel, and Bills
3. Approval of Insurance Package Renewal from Bushue Human Resources, Inc. in the amount of \$28,351.00.
4. Voluntary Student Insurance Package
5. Correspondence:
  - a. Thank you note from the Family of Deb Lewis
  - b. Thank you letters from the Belleville Humane Society
6. Budget Comparison Report
7. Approval of the Prevailing Wage Act Resolution declaring adherence to the Act as required by Illinois Public Schools.
8. Approval of Illinois Funds as primary depository and First Bank of Red Bud, First State Bank of Red Bud, and North County Savings & Loan as secondary depositories of Red Bud C. U. School District #132 funds for FY 2008.
9. Approval and Acceptance of School Treasurer Bond for Jane Liefer
10. Certificate of Attendance of Non-High School Pupils and Claim for Tuition
11. Mevert Professional Associates contracted with Holcomb Engineering for soil borings to determine bearing capacities for the I-Beam Construction Bids.

Guests were recognized.

Mr. Barney Mundorf of the law firm Doster, Mickes, James, Ullom, Benson & Guest, LLC was present to introduce himself and his new firm in Collinsville. He feels that the new firm can provide a better level of service for the district. He understands that school districts would rather spend funds on educating children than legal fees. There is a \$100.00 per month retainer fee or a client may pay strictly by the hour. If the retainer fee is used, Administration is allowed to make unlimited phone calls as needed. If any further action needs to be taken, an hourly rate will be charged. The firm will offer workshops in the spring and fall for Administration and one workshop per year for Board Members. Per Mr. Mundorf, most schools use the retainer fee. The District is not bound by contract; therefore, one process could be tried and changed if not suitable.

- I. Approval was given for the payment of all District bills presented.

- II. The Treasurer's Report for the month of May was approved as presented by Treasurer Jane Liefer.
- III. Approval was given for the reappointment of Jane Liefer as District Treasurer.
- IV. Approval was given for Nevois Construction to perform the life safety work in and around the stadium as presented from Todd Jones with Mevert Professional Associates from the bid process: Base Bid "A" with Alternate No. 1 only.
- V. The 2006-2007 working cash abatement of \$82,200 will appear in our Annual Financial Report in the Education Fund Revenue as 10-7180 "Permanent Transfer from Working Cash Fund - Abatement" and in Working Cash Fund Expense as 70-8180 "Permanent Transfer of Working Cash - Abatement to Education Fund." Approval was given for the Resolution Abating the Working Cash Fund.
- VI. Approval was given to accept a 3 year agreement with Connect Ed for a communication system. Mr. Lovel stated that this system will provide a better means of communication between the school and the homes. The system should be installed by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- VII. Approval was given to accept the bakery bid from Interstate Brands Corporation for the 2007-2008 school year. Approval was given to accept the dairy bid from Country Side Foods for the 2007-2008 school year.
- VIII. Administrator's Reports:
  1. District, Superintendent Steve Harsy
    - a. Mr. Harsy explained that the Administration met to discuss their new evaluation plan and the high expectations for all Red Bud District Administrators.
  2. Mr. Gielow reported that the next Perando Cooperative Meeting will be August 8<sup>th</sup> and he will be attending as the District Representative.
  3. Building and Grounds, Director Randy Battas
    - a. Randy Battas reported that all summer projects are going well and on schedule. The High School lockers have come in and installation will begin on them. Carpet will be installed Monday and Tuesday in the Elementary Office. The Elementary School Media Center renovation is progressing very well.
  4. High School Report, Principal Brad Hall
    - a. Baxter Healthcare, in connection with Terry Meyer and the Biotech Convention that he attended, has confirmed to us that they will be donating to \$10,000 to the school to be used for purchasing equipment for the science labs.
    - b. Danielle Laurent was named Lions Club Student of the Year.
    - c. Nick Laurent was the only student to compete at State level in track.
    - d. Next week the staff will be meeting to review the school improvement plan. Keith Price, serving as an Administrative intern, will present the plan at the next Board meeting.

- e. Approval was given to hire Derek Uffelmann as an assistant volunteer football coach.
5. Elementary School, Principal Larry Lovel
- a. The new scrolling sign will be installed by the beginning of school.
  - b. The ISAT results for grades 3 through 8 student testing has been received. The scoring highly exceeded the expectations of the Administration.
  - c. He complimented the staff for work well done.
  - d. The Elementary School Improvement Plan will be discussed in detail next month.
  - e. The Science Textbooks to be used for school year 2007-2008 for grades Kindergarten through 5th will be Scott Foresman and for grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> will be McDougal Littell.
  - f. He was very impressed with the recognition breakfast and the afternoon BBQ. He witnessed a remarkable display of staff friendships.
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057
- X. The Board returned to regular session to approve the following personnel:
- 1. Approval was given to hire the following extracurricular coaches for the High School:
    - a. Drew Schneider – Head Baseball
    - b. Kim Brothers – Head Softball
    - c. Val Roche – Assistant Softball
    - d. Keith Price – Boy’s Track
    - e. Trish Richey – Girl’s Track
  - 2. Approval was given to post an instructional aide for the Elementary School for the 2007-2008 year.
  - 3. Approval was given to pay each teacher in attendance a \$50.00 stipend for the STI and SDS training. High School training dates will be July 31<sup>st</sup> or August 1<sup>st</sup>. Elementary training will be August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- XI. Approval was given for the second reading of the Job Descriptions with changes being made to the Athletic Director positions in both schools. Grade checks must be completed each week and admission passes cannot be issued by the Athletic Director.
- XII. Approval was given to accept the Principal and Assistant Principal Evaluation Plan with the following change: Assistant Principals will be evaluated by the Building Principal only.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13.