

RED BUD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 132  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SYNOPSIS  
October 18, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Pat Bunte.

The Truth in Taxation Hearing was held at 7:45 p.m. with no public comment.

The Regular Board Meeting began at 8:00 p.m.

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes from regular and executive sessions from September 20, 2007.
2. Approval of Perandoe Minutes, Personnel, and Bills
3. Budget Reports
4. Correspondence

Guests were recognized. Two students, Ashley Wirth and Sarah Harbaugh from SWIC, pursuing educational degrees, attended the meeting for observation.

Jann and Logan Roche spoke to the Board regarding implementation of a school violence program.

Items of Business:

1. The Board approved the Treasurer's Report for the month of September.
2. Bob Moore presented the 2006-2007 Audit to the Board. He commented that the District was in stable financial condition. Mr. Harsy expressed appreciation to Mr. Moore for his work on the audit and his assistance throughout the year.
3. The Board approved payment of all District bills for October.
4. The Board approved the 2007 Tax Levy.
5. The Board approved policy updates including increasing Elementary admission rates as follows:  
Students \$1.00 Adults \$2.00 Family \$4.00  
An addendum was added to the High School handbook stating no full length trench coats or dusters can be worn to school or school related events.  
Reinforcement of bus policy, including 1) bus drivers must turn off the ignition, activate the interior lights and walk to the rear of the bus to check for children on board. 2) both visual and audio recording must be made of the interior of the bus when transportation is provided for any school related activity.
6. The Board approved new substitute rates for the 2008-2009 school year. Red Bud School District retirees will receive \$90.00 per day and all other substitutes will receive \$80.00. For long term assignments consisting of more than 20 days, the daily rate will double to \$180.00 for Red Bud retirees and \$160.00 for all others.

7. The Board chose not to change policy at this time regarding two abatement requests from local businesses.

8. Mr. Harsy reported that he should have the life safety applications from Mevert Professional for the surveillance cameras and lockers by next month's meeting.

#### 9. Administrator's Reports

High School – Mr. Hall reported that the High School had a two day meeting to work on the School Improvement Plan. Keith Price is the head of the team consisting of the following faculty: Barrett Deist, Stephanie Emge, Amy Hemenway, Jill Nobbe, Trisha Richey, Melissa Rudy, and Lila Zeiger. Mr. Cartee and Mr. Logsdon have begun working on the District Technology Plan. They will have surveys completed by students, teachers, parents, and the public.

The First Quarter ends October 19<sup>th</sup>. Report cards will go out on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Parent – Teacher conferences will be held November 1<sup>st</sup> in the evening and November 2<sup>nd</sup> in the morning.

The Cahokia Conference is beginning a monthly subject-area roundtable. Each school will send a representative in a particular subject to share with the other schools in the conference.

Volleyball Regionals will be held this week on Thursday.

The Safety Team will be meeting next week with the local police and fire departments. After that meeting, the administration will practice with the students.

There were an estimated 2800 – 3000 people at the Columbia/Red Bud football game. Playoff tickets will be \$4.00 per ticket.

Elementary School – Mr. Lovel spoke about the Elementary School Improvement Plan.

The Elementary School will be sending two teachers to an ISAT writing workshop sponsored by ISBE. This workshop will assist the teachers in addressing students who have scored low in the writing portion of the testing.

A Building Level Team consisting of Mr. Lovel, the Special Ed Coordinator, and two Title 1 teachers, attended the level 2 training of ASPIRE to help guide the installation of response intervention. This program is a systematic approach taken by the teachers before a special ed referral can take place.

The Parent Involvement Group elected officers and is in the process of establishing their by-laws. Marlene Deterding will serve as Treasurer.

The ROE is sponsoring a teacher induction/teacher mentoring program. It is a 2 year program, cost will be \$150.00 per teacher and will be funded by Title 2A funds. Five of the 10 new teachers will be participating in the program. Nancy Bozsa has agreed to work with the group as their official mentor.

District – Mr. Harsy thanked Kim Schaefer for her work with Tammy Hogendobler in setting up a new Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan for the District.

He also reported that he contacted Chester Southwestern and Durham Bus Service to see if they had any charter buses available should the need arise.

The Board commended Mr. Hall on the artwork on the local business windows showing support for the football team. Mr. Hall stated that the work was done by the Art Club and parents of the football players. The work definitely shows the support of the community for the team.

#### 10. Good News!

Mr. Hall reported Nate Hentis and Catie Dugan qualified for IHSA Sectional in golf.

Mr. Lovel reported that the Girls Softball Team lost at the semi-final level. An exceptional team of girls put on an exceptional season.

Clubs Choice Fundraiser has exceeded all other fundraisers. \$55,000 worth of products were sold. Estimated 48-50% of that total will be profit for the school. There are discussions of using the funds for playground equipment.

Girls Basketball took first place at the Valmeyer Tournament.

The scrolling sign is fully functioning at this time.

11. The Board went into Executive Session.

12. Following Executive Session, the Board accepted the resignation of Angela Atkinson as an Elementary teacher and hired Kim Straub as her replacement for the remainder of the school year.

The Board approved the reassignment of Jana Zipfel from 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to Kindergarten.

The Board approved the hiring of Derek Uffelmann as Elementary Boys Track Coach.

Linda Franklin and Paulette Deterding were approved as Freshmen class sponsors.

Bob Honeycutt was hired as a volunteer Boys Basketball Coach for the High School.

13. The Board approved a proposal from Mevert Professional to perform the Ten Year Health Life Safety Survey as required by law. The will be fee of \$3,000 with the possibility of some additional costs.

The meeting was adjourned.