

The Afternoon After

September 18, 2008

Monday, September 15, 2008, the River Ridge Board of Education, Hanover, IL, held a Budget Hearing for the proposed 2008-2009 Budget. President Howard called the hearing to order at 6:45 pm. Board Members David Howard, Steve Thomasson, Barb Schaible, Donnie Altfillisch and Raymie Diestelmeier answered roll call. Member Kathy Knauer entered the meeting at 6:46 pm. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Pete Scarano, Principal Mike Foltz, media and members of the community. Member Lynn K. Pease was absent.

No action was taken during this hearing.

President David Howard called the regular meeting of the River Ridge Community Unit School District #210 Board of Education to order at 7:00 PM. Board Members David Howard, Steve Thomasson, Lynn K. Pease, Barb Schaible, Kathy Knauer, Donnie Altfillisch and Raymie Diestelmeier answered roll call. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Pete Scarano, Principal Mike Foltz, media, Johnson Control representatives, Jo-Carroll Enterprise Zone representative and members of the community.

The Board took the following action:

- Approved the regular and executive session minutes of the August 18, 2008 board meeting and destruction of executive session minutes from February 19, 2007.
- Reviewed and accepted the Treasurer's Report, Investment Report and Activity Reports.
- Paid bills and payroll in the amount of \$469,493.27.
- Jo Daviess Carroll Area Vocational Center representative, Lynn K. Pease, presented the August minutes. Students have officially started on the project house.
- Representatives from Johnson Control discussed wind turbine generation and energy conservation.
- Betty Steinert, representing Jo-Carroll Enterprise Zone (former Savanna Army Depot), explained the abatement of taxes for the period as set forth in the Abatement Order. Discussion was tabled until the next meeting of the Board of Education.
- Adopted the budget for the 2008-2009 school year as presented.
- Approved the Illinois State Board of Education 2008-2009 Application for Recognition of Schools.

- Awarded the bus barn improvement bid to M & M Concrete, Inc., Stockton, Illinois - \$37,100 for bus barn concrete floor and \$10,640 for gutters.
- Administrator Reports:
- Mr. Foltz reported the fall athletic participation numbers. The Manny's Taco Fest event organized by Tracy Diestelmeier and the senior class was very well attended. 2200 tacos were prepared. A new computer program, **Study Island**, will be available for our students to better prepare for ISAT and PSAE testing.
- Mr. Scarano discussed upcoming events. The Everyday Math Night for families is Tuesday, September 16th, from 6:00-7:30 pm. The Kindergarten Phonics Night is Tuesday, September 23rd, from 6:00-7:00 pm and 1st grade Literacy Night is Wednesday, October 1st, from 6:30-7:30 pm.
- Mr. Albrecht informed the Board that the annual Halloween Hullabaloo will be replaced with a spring carnival for the 2008-2009 school year. Alaina Sisler has established a middle school science club.
- Action taken after executive session:
Extended Middle School/High School guidance counselor position four additional days for Brenda Potter.

The above information is subject for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education, which will be Monday, October 20, 2008 at 7:00 pm.