

Regional School District No. 7
Board of Education Minutes
Special Meeting
April 16, 2007

PRESENT: Mr. Thomson, Mr. Gregor, Mr. Griffey, Mr. Jerram, Mrs. Kenneson, Mr. Lanctot, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Yard, Acting Superintendent Roger Newbury.

Chair Thomson called the meeting to order at 7:53 p.m.

CALL TO
ORDER

MOTION by Mrs. Yard, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to accept the budget of \$16,909,151 (as presented at the Hearing).

BUDGET
DELIBERATIONS

Mr. Thomson opened the floor for discussion.

Discussion centered on reinstatement of the Freshmen Basketball program (\$9120), additional late buses (\$3785 for five or \$7570 for ten), reinstate two middle school clubs (Math Club (\$663) and Book Club (\$663), and the reinstatement of middle school volleyball (\$4222).

Each member was asked to rate each item listed above on a scale from one to three. Tallies revealed the order of preference to be: Clubs and Late Buses-votes tied, Freshmen Basketball and Middle School Volleyball.

MOTION by Mr. Lanctot, seconded by Mr. Griffey, to amend the budget to include the following increases: Addition of freshmen basketball program; reinstatement of two middle school clubs, and ten additional late buses. Aye: Mr. Thomson, Mr. Gregor, Mr. Griffey, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Lanctot (6.55). Nay: Mrs. Kenneson, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Yard (1.45). Motion passed.

AMEND
BUDGET

MOTION by Mr. Griffey, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to adopt a budget of \$16,927,167 which represents a 3.3% increase, to take to the Annual District Meeting on May 7, 2007 and then to referendum on May 8, 2007. Aye: Mr. Thomson, Mr. Gregor, Mr. Griffey, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Lanctot (6.55). Nay: Mrs. Kenneson, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Yard (1.45). Motion passed.

ADOPT
BUDGET
FOR
DIST. MTG.

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mrs. Kenneson, and passed unanimously, to adopt the call of the Annual District Meeting.

CALL OF
ANN. DIST. MTG.

MOTION by Mr. Lanctot, seconded by Mr. Jerram, and passed unanimously, to approve the question for the referendum ballot: "Shall the Regional School District No. 7 Annual Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007 be Accepted?"

QUESTION
FOR
BALLOT

Mr. Thomson asked that School Security be placed on the agenda for the next meeting in light of the incident at Virginia Tech University.

FUTURE
AGENDAS

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Shelley Lloyd stated that she did not agree with their decision to add Freshmen Basketball and hoped that the budget will pass at referendum.

PUBLIC

Mr. Thomson asked for suggestions for a memorial to our late Superintendent of Schools, Roberta Ohotnicky. Members of the audience (Shelley Lloyd and Ron Steeves) spoke about some options.

MOTION by Mrs. Sweeney, seconded by Mrs. Kenneson, passed unanimously, to appoint Mr. Gregor and Mrs. Sweeney to serve as a committee to come up with ideas for a memorial to Dr. Ohotnicky.

MEMORIAL
COMMITTEE

MOTION by Mrs. Sweeney, seconded by Mrs. Kenneson, and passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl A. DePaoli, Executive Secretary