

# VALLIVUE SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

May 24, 2011

## **PRESENT**

Carolyn Hamann, Board Chair

Brian Patterson, Vice-chair

Jeff Forsberg, Trustee

Jeff Hon, Trustee

Toni Brinegar, Trustee

Pat Charlton, Asst Superintendent

Sue Muchow, Business Manager

Gary Johnston, Director/Fed-State

Sean Smith, Sage Valley Principal

Mary Ann Vandebroke, Rivervue Principal

Keith Krone, Vallivue Academy Principal

Julie Dillehay

Brian Blakeley

## **Call to order**

The special meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Carolyn Hamann.

## **Property Acquisition**

Eric Heringer, Seattle Northwest Securities and Nick Miller, Hawley-Troxell Ennis & Hawley, LLP provided information for the board regarding a possible financing solution for purchasing a building for overcrowding at Vallivue High School. Mr. Heringer explained that a special levy election could be held to request voters to authorize the district to use the "current plant facility approved levy funds" to repay the cost of a facility by using the Qualified School Construction Bond, utilizing ARRA funds, that would require voter approval but not require any new property taxes. The bond would utilize a zero-interest loan, and the funds would qualify for State Levy Equalization refunds. After discussion, a motion was made by Brian Patterson and seconded by Jeff Hon to gather further information and report back to the board at the June 14, 2011 meeting for final approval of requesting \$3.0 of QSCB funds. Motion carried.

## **Annual Budget Workshop**

Pat Charlton and Sue Muchow presented information for the Board of Trustees and meeting participants regarding the amended 2010-2011 budget, ISEE collection data, history comparisons, enrollment projections, insurance increases, staffing process, proposed 2011-12 budget, and tax levy information.

The following items were discussed: legislative issues effecting school districts; state revenue and changes due to the Students Come First legislation; projected student growth; staff reductions; negotiations; medical/dental/vision insurance increases; the importance of securing a 5% contingency reserve fund; supplemental levies; assessed market values; and the board's desire to remain steadfast in the District commitment regarding the current levy rate.

Curtis Griffiths and Ron Curtis addressed the board regarding their concerns of the proposal to remove orchestra from the district's class electives. After review of the administrator's recommended staff reductions, a motion was made by Brian Patterson and seconded by Toni Brinegar to keep the orchestra program for the 2011-12 fiscal year. Motion carried.

(See attached Budget Workshop Information)

**Executive Session**

An Executive Session was called for 8:05 p.m. Jeff Forsberg made a motion, Brian Patterson seconded, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss negotiations and personnel issues as per Idaho Code 67-2345; motion carried by roll call vote. Present were the five trustees, Mr. Charlton, and Ms. Muchow.

The board returned to open session at 8:40 p.m.

**Personnel**

After discussion, a motion was made by Brian Patterson and seconded by Toni Brinegar to approve the transfer of Keith Krone back to the district office as the District Assessment/Personnel Director (there will not be an assistant superintendent) and Mark Layne as the new Vallivue Academy principal replacing Keith Krone. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

The special meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carolyn Hamann, Board Chair

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Sue Muchow, Clerk of Board