

Tri-County Area School District
Plainfield, Wisconsin

**Minutes from August 28, 2012
Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting**

At 7:01 p.m., Mark Bacon, Board Vice-President called the meeting order in the Tri-County Lecture Hall located at 409 S West Street, Plainfield, Wisconsin.

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

There were eighteen (18) people present.

Mark Bacon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Jim Cesar nominated Jim Miller as Chairperson. Amy Anderson seconded. Jim Knutson made a motion that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Jim Miller as chairperson. Jim Cesar seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

The clerk, Amy Anderson, and deputy clerk, Wendy Hetzel, were requested to keep the official minutes of the meeting. The minutes from this evening will be approved at the end of the meeting.

Public Input -None

Agenda - Kathryn Rutz made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sue Lederer seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Summary of the 2011-2012 Budget Analysis and 2012-2013 Proposed Budget - Anthony Marinack, District Administrator, Mr. Marinack informed those present we had Great News, that the 2011-2012 ended with a surplus of \$180, 000. 00. With that, the Good News was we were also able to purchase infrastructure and educational items. The Bad News is we lost about \$275, 000 in state aid for the 2012-2013 school year, this will result in higher property taxes this year, up 7.25% The cost will be approximately \$60.00 increase in taxes on \$100, 000 worth of property values.

Lunch Program - Jim Cesar made a motion that the school lunch program be operated by the Board of Education for the School District. Mark Bacon seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Pupil Insurance - Jim Cesar made a motion to authorize the Board of Education to appropriate funds to obtain pupil accident insurance. Tony Marinack seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Legal Counsel – Sue Lederer made a motion to allow the Board of Education to use legal counsel on all legal matters associated with and involving the School District. Kathryn Rutz seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Financial Audit – Jim Knutson made a motion to direct an annual financial audit of all School District accounts by either a licensed accountant or by the State Department of Revenue. Kathryn Rutz seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Short-term Borrowing – Peggy Buckholt made a motion approving the Board of Education to borrow necessary funds on a short-term basis. Sue Lederer seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Sale of Property – Amy Anderson made a motion to authorize the sale of any property belonging to and not needed that ceases to be of any further use by the district. Jim Knutson seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Textbooks –Peggy Buckholt made a motion to authorize the School Board to furnish textbooks. Kathryn Rutz seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Board Salaries -- Jim Cesar made a motion to leave the School Board salaries for the 2012-2013 school year at the present rate -- \$45.00 per monthly meeting/committee meeting/conventions/seminars and \$100.00 additional per year for the Clerk. Kathryn Rutz seconded. Discussion of the extra \$100.00 was determined as for clerical duties. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Board Reimbursement – Kathryn Rutz made a motion to authorize the payment of actual and necessary expenses of a school board member when traveling in the performance of duties. Mark Bacon seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Mileage Rate Reimbursement – Sue Lederer made a motion that the mileage rate for all employees and board members be equal to the IRS standard business mileage rate.(Currently .555) Amy Anderson seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Tax Levy – Jim Cesar made a motion, seconded by Mark Bacon, and passed on a voice vote to approve the proposed tax levy as follows:

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

FUND	Audited 2010-2011	Audited 2011-2012	Budget 2012-2013
General Fund	2,991,243.00	2,911,947.00	3,123,642.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	17,039.00	20,080.00	21,000.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	3,008,282.00	2,932,027.00	3,144,642.00
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR	-3.96%	-2.53%	7.25%

The 2012-2013 budget and tax levy will be finalized at the October Board Meeting.

Next Annual Meeting - Amy Anderson made a motion to set the next annual meeting date for August 27, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Tony Marinack seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

August 28, 2012 Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting Minutes - The deputy clerk (Wendy Hetzel) read the minutes from this evening's meeting. Jim Knutson made a motion to approve the August 28, 2012 Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting Minutes. Mark Bacon seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Recorded by: Wendy Hetzel

Submitted by:

Amy Anderson, Clerk