

**Board Meeting
September 4, 2007**

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called their meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Administration Office located at 345 North Adams Street, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Wade Beatty, Kevin Knott, Leah Kopp, Debi Ware, Ron Womack, and Michael Fruth – all present
- Office Staff: Dr. Ray Pavy, Superintendent; David Bundy, Business manager; Jena Schmidt, Administrative Assistant; and Michelle Swift, Treasurer
- CTA President: Mr. Tom Crawford
- Media: Jeff Eakins, Banner; and Bethany Tabb, Courier Times
- Approximately six patrons

I. Organization of the Meeting

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call – All School Board members are present
- C. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

I. Bus Replacement

Business Manager stated this budget is a ten year plan that calls to replace two buses each year. There will be the need in 2013 to replace three, two passenger and one mini-bus. He also stated that the average life of a bus is approximately ten years. In the year 2008, the plan only calls to replace one mini-bus. There were no comments from the public.

II. Capital Projects

The Business Manager stated some account numbers have changed, however the appropriations remain the same. He also informed the board these are estimates based on previous years activities. The Capital Projects Fund addresses future projects that will include air conditioning in the elementary buildings. The corporation has been setting aside money for the past few years for this project.

Ms. Dawn Wineman, patron, asked if there was a cost estimate for air conditioning all three elementary schools. The board stated various groups have presented proposals, however no decisions to this point have been made. Ms. Wineman also commented on the effect the heat in the classrooms has on the ISTEP scores in the future.

Mr. Gerald Leonard, former school board member, stated approximately \$500,000 has been allocated by the year 2010 if the budget is followed. Therefore, there should be approximately \$300,000 at this point.

Mr. Bob Myers, patron, asked if funds were being invested. The board responded, no. There were no further comments from the public.

III. General Fund, Debt Service, Transportation Operating Fund, Pre-School Special Education Business Manager these are encompassed on form 3 and have been significantly changed since the State Board of Accounts has made multiple changes to the funds. 2007-2008 lists a slight increase. He reiterated this is an estimate of what will be received and approved. He mentioned the Debt Service Fund is showing a decrease as debt from the building of the new schools is reduced. There were no comments from the public.

The Superintendent announced the budget was advertised twice in three area newspapers. The Rushville paper made errors and it those were corrected at their expense. This proposed budget is scheduled to be adopted at the regular session on September 18, 2007. The corporation will meet with Department of Local Government and Finance sometime in October. He also stated it is the corporation's responsibility to put together a budget prior to information being confirmed. Most funds must be adopted prior to September 20, 2007 and General Fund by September 30, 2007. There were no further comments from the public or school board.

With nothing remaining to come before the board, Wade Beatty motioned to adjourn at 6:58pm.

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