

Special Meeting of the
BOARD of EDUCATION of the SCHOOL DISTRICT of REEDSBURG
Official notice of meeting given and posted.

March 7, 2011

Central Office Building

7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 — Call to Order: Mr. Balda, Board president, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 — Roll Call: The following Board members were present: Steve Balda, Heather Scully, Gary Woolever, Mike Hartje, Jim Wiczorek, John Pearson and LuAnn Brey. Absent: None. Also present: Tom Benson, District Administrator and Pat Ruddy, Assistant District Administrator.

Agenda Item 3 — Report on Public Notice: Notice of the meeting was given to the Reedsburg Independent, the Reedsburg Times Press, WRDB radio and was posted at the Central Office Building, Reedsburg City Hall and the Reedsburg Public Library.

Agenda Item 4 — Consideration, Bus Purchase: The most recent administrative recommendation was to purchase one (1) handicapped bus from the current year's budget. The district has received two bids as follows: Wisconsin Bus Sales for \$64,409 and Collins for \$62,560. These bids are approximately \$20,000 less than anticipated due to the fact that they are "mini" buses, not full size buses.

Due to the uncertainty of our current budget situation administration is now recommending that no bus purchases be made from the 2010-2011 budget. We will continue to monitor and assess our needs and take action at a future time.

Following additional discussion, motion by Ms. Brey, second by Mr. Woolever to reject any and all bus bids at this time due to the uncertainty of our budget. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Item 5 — Acceptance, Early Retirement Requests: Following the extension of the retirement deadline to March 1, 2011, an additional (6) retirement requests have been received, bringing the grand total to 15. Additional letters have been received from Stephen Bauer, Janice Braun, Stephanie Hasler, Nova Mijal, Debra Rosholt and Vickie Schumann.

Following discussion, motion by Mr. Wiczorek, second by Ms. Scully to accept the additional retirement letters that have been received. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Item 6 — Approval, Job Share Requests: Two requests to job share for the 2011-2012 school year have been received. The first request is from Ginal Auel and Keely Bauer, both Speech and Language Pathologists in the district. This would be a continuation of their current job share with the exception that it would go from 49/51 to 50/50.

The second request is from Tracy Jaynes and Sarah Casey. They would like to do a 50/50 job share at Loganville 2nd grade. One would teach every morning and the other would teach every afternoon.

Following additional discussion, motion by Mr. Hartje, second by Mr. Wiczorek to approve the two job share requests as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Item 7 — Consider Constructing and Adopting a Resolution Addressing the Budget Bill:

Following discussion, motion by Mr. Wiczorek, second by Mr. Pearson to adopt the following resolution addressing the Governor's repair bill:

The School Board of the School District of Reedsburg opposes Governor Walker's budget proposal. We are concerned that the approach he has taken and the outcome he prescribes will unfairly compromise our ability to provide the educational services that the children of this district deserve.

Furthermore, Governor Walker's proposal would virtually eliminate collective bargaining rights for educational personnel in the State of Wisconsin. We have been well served by our employees. While we recognize the need for significant change, these changes are excessive and will lead to significantly negative results.

We believe that respect, open communication and compromise are urgently needed on all side and we must insist on civility in the democratic process as we work together to solve Wisconsin's budget problems. The current course established by the Governor undermines basic elements of local control, a long-standing hallmark of Wisconsin's rich history.

Following additional discussion, Mr. Woolever suggested one change to the second sentence.

Motion by Mr. Woolever, second by Ms. Brey to amend the resolution by adding "taken with the reduction in funding for education" in the second sentence. Amended motion carried 7-0. The Board then voted on the original motion including the amendment. Motion carried 7-0. Below is the resolution as amended.

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Agenda Item 8 — Executive Session: Motion by Mr. Wieczorek, second by Mr. Hartje to adjourn the open session at 7:52 p.m. and move into executive session under sections 19.82(1), 19.85(1)(e), 19.85(1)(g) and 19.85(1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of,

- Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advise
- Continue negotiations with the REA for an extension to the 2009-2011 collective bargaining agreement
- Continue negotiations with the Reedsburg Educational Paraprofessional Association (REPA) for an extension to the 2009-2011 collective bargaining agreement
- Discussion and Review of Administrative Contracts

Motion carried by a roll call vote 7-0.

Agenda Item 9 — Reconvene in Open Session: Motion by Mr. Hartje, second by Ms. Scully to adjourn the executive session at 8:47 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Item 10 — Approval, Issuance of 2011-2012 Teaching Contracts: Motion by Mr. Wieczorek, second by Ms. Scully to approve Notices of Renewal for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Item 11 — Consider ratification of an agreement with the REA for an extension to the 2009-2011 collective bargaining agreement, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(3) and 111.70:

No action taken.

Agenda Item 12 — Consider ratification of an agreement with the REPA for an extension to the 2009-2011 collective bargaining agreement, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(3) and 111.70:

No action taken.

Agenda Item 13 — Consideration to Approve Administrative Contracts:

No action taken.

Agenda Item 14 — Adjourn: There being no further business, motion by Ms. Brey, second by Mr. Hartje to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Mr. Balda declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.