

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MAY 14, 2003  
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Goodnow at 7:15 p.m. in the South Campus Library Conference Room.

Everyone rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Jack Goodnow, Joe LeBlanc, Sue Schultz, John Greidanus, Jack Gutschenritter, Randy Howell, Bob Rosch, Al Zietlow

Unable to attend: Judie Ristow

Administration present: Dave Lodes, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Gregg Wiczorek

Also present: Kristi Haunfelder, Lake Country Reporter

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Rosch to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2003, Regular Board meeting as presented.

Motion Carried.

BOARD REORGANIZATION:

President

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Greidanus to nominate Jack Goodnow for President.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to close nominations for President and that a unanimous vote be cast for Jack Goodnow for President. Motion Carried.

Vice President

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Howell to nominate Al Zietlow for Vice President.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Howell to close nominations for Vice President. Motion Carried.

Unanimous vote for Al Zietlow for Vice President. Motion Carried.

Treasurer

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Greidanus to nominate Joe LeBlanc for Treasurer.

There were no other nominations for Treasurer.

Unanimous vote for Joe LeBlanc for Treasurer. Motion Carried.

Clerk

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Howell to nominate Sue Schultz for Clerk.

Moved by Gutschenritter, seconded by Greidanus to close nominations for Clerk. Motion Carried.

Unanimous vote for Sue Schultz for Clerk. Motion Carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2003/2004 PRELIMINARY BUDGET:

Mr. Kopecky reviewed the 2003/2004 Preliminary Budget, which was approved by the Board of Education on April 9, 2003. This budget was developed within the parameters of the governor's state budget proposal and reflects the most up-to-date fiscal information received from the State of Wisconsin and the best estimates available to the district at this time. The 2003/2004 Preliminary Budget projects an increase in general fund expenditures of \$19,624,739, or 6.84%. This includes a net increase of 6.0 FTE teaching positions due to a projected increase in student enrollment of 118 students, or 5.6%, bringing the total projected enrollment to 2,223. Total non-property tax revenues are projected to decrease \$49,899, or .66%. The state equalization aid is projected to decrease \$140,865, or 2.2%. The property tax levy is projected to be \$13,907,699, an increase of \$1,465,421, or 11.78%. Based on an 8% increase in the district's equalized value, the mill rate is projected to increase from \$3.68 in 2002/2003 to \$3.80, an increase of 3.5%.

The state legislature has yet to take action on the governor's 2003-05 biennium budget proposal. Actual enrollment will be certified on the third Friday in September 2003. The Department of Public Instruction will provide final state equalization aid certification in October 2003. Due to these budget uncertainties, and any changes that may occur over the summer or at the beginning of the 2003/2004 school year, adjustments to the 2003/2004 Preliminary Budget will be made as necessary. The tax levy for the 2003/2004 school year will be presented to the electorate for approval at the Annual Meeting scheduled for August 20, 2003.

There were no public comments or questions.

Mrs. Schultz left the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 092697-092710, 092712-092716, 092718-092723, 092725-092948, 093375-093392, and 093394-093408 in the amount of \$733,705.96. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported that there are four weeks of school left. Advanced Placement testing concludes May 15, 2003, with more than 600 students taking AP exams. Graduation is scheduled for Sunday, June 8, 2003.

Dr. Lodes stated that we are continuing the process to complete our staffing for the 2003/2004 school year and will be presenting several candidates to the Board of Education this evening with a recommendation for approval. Positions in the process of being filled include an alternative education teacher and a social studies teacher. Dr. Lodes indicated that funding for all new staff has been included in the 2003/2004 preliminary budget.

Dr. Lodes also noted that Bob Butler from WASB would be meeting with school board members and administrators from the elementary districts and Arrowhead High School on May 27, 2003, at Swallow School to discuss strategies for upcoming contract negotiations. Any Board member interested in attending should contact Dave Lodes or Diane Hoag.

CURRICULUM – Chairperson Goodnow reviewed the minutes of the May 1, 2003, meeting.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – No meeting.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the May 7, 2003, meeting. A priority of the committee is the replacement of three steam boilers at South Campus with new, energy-efficient boilers prior to the start of the 2003/2004 school year. The existing boilers were installed in 1955, when South Campus was originally constructed. They are inefficient and replacement parts are difficult to obtain. The critical factor is that should the boilers break down during cold weather, school would have to be canceled. The committee directed administration to meet with the two bidders selected to review and clarify key areas of their proposals. The final proposals will be presented to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for review on or before June 4, 2003.

PERSONNEL – Dr. Lodes reported that the teachers and support staff initial contract proposals have been prepared based on input and recommendations from the Personnel Committee. Support staff contract negotiations are scheduled for June 3 and July 9, 2003. The teacher contract proposal exchange is scheduled for May 29, 2003, at which time future negotiation sessions will be scheduled. The Personnel Committee will set a date prior to May 29, 2003, to review the initial contract proposals and discuss other personnel related issues.

POLICY – Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Howell to approve the 2003 Policy Manual in its entirety. Motion Carried.

WASB – Mr. Zietlow and Mr. Rosch shared their positive experiences resulting from a WASB workshop they attended in Madison on May 10, 2003, entitled "What School Board Members Need to Know."

CESA – Mr. Greidanus was selected to be the Convention Delegate to the CESA #1 Annual Convention in 2003.

ADSEC – No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch that the 2003 Arrowhead Union High School graduates be certified for graduation as identified by the administration as having met the graduation requirements as set forth by the Arrowhead Board of Education and the State of Wisconsin. Motion Carried.

Moved by Greidanus, seconded by Zietlow to approve contracts as follows: Teaching – Jodi Burow (Math), James Hessler (Math), Angela Wenzel (Math), Angela Koch (Science), Scott Voigt (Science), Jennifer Charles (Spanish), Terese Styba (Spanish), and Jeremy Schlitt (Technology Education); Driver's Education – Chuck Niesen, Mike Ward, Deb Wied, Tim Williams, and Frank Wood; Summer School – 6 Weeks: Mike Ward (P.E.-Traditional), Mark Hall (P.E.-Traditional), Tom

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Taraska (P.E.-Club Arrowhead), Claudia Kelm (P.E.-Adventure Education), Rose Bentley (P.E.-Adventure Education), Sue Grundahl (Jump Start), John Rhude (Advanced Genetics and Recombinant DNA Technology), Dan Rosa (Robotics I and II), Frank Wood (Software Applications I), Leah Cull (Sew Crafty); 4 Weeks: Tony Antony (Chemistry), Michelle Feutz (Science), Jacque Jurewicz (Biology I), Steve Urban (Advanced Algebra), Kathie Chvojicek (Geometry), Anna Lardinois (English), Marcia Johnson (English), Kathy Nelson (Speech), Tim Tower (U.S. History), and Diana Ehlers (Health). Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to adjourn. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag  
Recording Secretary

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Susan M. Schultz, Clerk