

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2006
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President LeBlanc at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Everyone rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Joe LeBlanc, Bob Rosch, Sue Schultz, Jack Gutschenritter, Mike Kusch, Judie Ristow, Craig Thompson, Al Zietlow

Unable to attend: John Greidanus

Administration present: Dave Lodes, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Gregg Wieczorek, Kevin Lipscomb

Also present: JoAnn Bahr, et al., Girls Field Hockey Parent Board
Caley Meals, The Freeman

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Thompson to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2006, Regular Board meeting and the August 16, 2006, Annual Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Zietlow to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 109239-109601, 109604-109656, and 109658-109685 in the amount of \$1,012,803.16. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported on the opening of school activities, and noted that well over 1,100 students are involved in cocurricular activities this fall. He also indicated that the official student count would take place on the Third Friday in September, which is September 15, 2006.

On September 11, 2006, the Management Team met to begin summarizing the progress made in regard to last year’s initiatives to improve student learning and to identify initiatives for this year. This summary will be presented to the Curriculum Committee in November.

CURRICULUM – Chairperson Schultz reviewed the minutes of the August 31, 2006, meeting. The committee reviewed the Summer School enrollment report. A report on student participation in the Flexible Scheduling Options pilot program will be shared with the committee at their next meeting.

The committee also reviewed the District-wide “Action Plan to Improve Student Learning and Achievement 2006-2007,” which profiles the outcome, strategies, accountability, and final results to be recorded at the end of the process. The outcome described in the action plan is that all student learning and achievement will improve, including the struggling learner.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – Mr. Kopecky reviewed the five bids received this morning for short-term borrowing and indicated that the administration is recommending that the short-term borrowing note be secured from Robert Baird, the lowest bidder.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Zietlow to approve the “Resolution Authorizing Temporary Borrowing In Amount Not To Exceed \$3,080,000.00,” as presented, and secure the Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note from Robert Baird. Motion Carried.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the September 6, 2006, meeting. The committee reviewed a request by a neighboring property owner in regard to the black walnut trees that abut his property line. The committee requested additional information regarding this matter for further consideration at their next meeting.

Mr. Zietlow also reported that the committee accepted the bid from Pukall Company, Inc., to correct the water incursion in the South Campus courtyard masonry split-face wall where the principal’s office meets the original two-story wall. Funds for the wall rehabilitation are available within the Buildings and Grounds budget.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee also reviewed the athletic field conditions. The existing competitive field hockey field, referred to as Field A, is located just north of the ice center. Potential improvements to Field A are pending the outcome of the proposed Mullett Recreation Center. Field B is the existing undersized practice field hockey field. An existing soccer practice area, referred to as Field C, has the potential to be developed into a second regulation-size competitive field hockey field. The committee requested additional information regarding the cost factors involved in the potential development of Field C for further consideration at their next meeting.

PERSONNEL – No report.

POLICY – Chairperson Ristow reviewed the minutes of the August 24, 2006, meeting.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 29, 2006.

WASB – Mr. Zietlow noted that the Fall Regional Meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2006, at the Country Springs Hotel and the School Law Seminar is scheduled for October 20, 2006, in Madison. Board members were encouraged to attend.

CESA – No report. The agenda for the August 22, 2006, CESA #1 Board of Control meeting and minutes from the June 20, 2006, meeting have been distributed to the Board of Education for their information.

ADSEC – No report.

ENDOWMENT FUND – No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Ristow to accept the resignation of Jodi Jacobson, effective August 25, 2006, subject to receipt of previously paid salary. Motion Carried.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Rosch to approve the contracts for Cathy Crucius (Asst. Girls Tennis Coach-per diem), Tracy Shaw (Spanish Honor Society Advisor), and Sue Casetta (Social Studies Department Chair). Motion Carried.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Schultz to approve the Intergovernmental 66.0301 Agreement between the Arrowhead Union High School District and Richmond School District for the purchase of band teaching services performed by Kristin Albright for the 2006/2007 school year, as presented. Following discussion of the agreement, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Mr. Kopecky explained the concept of the proposed joint health insurance exploratory committee, which would include six other area school districts, along with the Arrowhead Union High School District. The first step of the process requires Board approval to participate in reviewing and recommending the cooperative purchase of the consultant/broker services, who will be charged with addressing the cost of providing health insurance and finding the best solution to reducing the costs with similar coverage. The actual cooperative hiring of the consultant/broker services would require Board approval at a future meeting.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Ristow to approve Step 1 of the Intergovernmental 66.0301 Agreement between the Arrowhead Union High School District, Hartland/Lakeside School District, Lake Country School District, Merton School District, Pewaukee School District, Richmond School District, and Stone Bank School District to establish a joint health insurance exploratory committee for non-represented employees/retirees and represented support staff employees/retirees, as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Kusch that pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c)(e)(f), the Board will move into closed session and reconvene to address public business matters.

Roll Call Vote: Schultz – aye, Zietlow – aye, Ristow – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Rosch – aye, Kusch – aye, Gutschenritter – aye, Thompson – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Gutschenritter to move into open session.

Roll Call Vote: Gutschenritter – aye, Kusch – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Ristow – aye, Rosch – aye, Schultz – aye, Thompson – aye, Zietlow – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Kusch to approve the financial structure in regard to the Director of Youth Hockey/Ice Center as found in the letter dated September 14, 2006, from Dave Lodes to Don Mullett and accepted by Don Mullett by September 28, 2006. Aye – 7 and No – 1 (Ristow). Motion Carried.

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag
Recording Secretary

Susan M. Schultz, Clerk