

August 14, 2003

Board Meeting Summary

Regular Meeting . . .

August 13, 2003

The Unit 5 Board of Education, at its regular meeting on August 13, 2003, took the following action and received the following reports:

Action

- The Board approved the Notice of Public Hearing on the Budget. A public hearing on the budget will be held on September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office. A tentative budget is on file and available for public inspection at 1809 W. Hovey Avenue, Normal.
- Board policy 2.230 Public Comments at Board Meetings was revised. The revision will be available on the district's website (www.unit5.org).
- Salaries and benefits for the district's educational office personnel were approved for 2003-2004.
- The District Goals for 2003-2005 and Financial Goals for 2004-2005 were approved and will be available on the district's website.
- The District-Superintendent Focus for 2003-2004 was approved. A Communication goal will be added to the Focus and considered for approval at the August 27 regular board meeting.
- The establishment of an Educational Task Force with the charge to present to the Board of Education by December 10, 2003 a prioritized list of recommended cost containment and revenue enhancements to meet the district's goal of a balanced budget for FY2004-2005.
- Action was taken to approve the CAC's study topic/task for 2003-2004 to be involvement in communicating and designing a financial proposal for cost containments and revenue enhancements for the 2004-2005 school year.
- A minor change in school starting and ending times was approved. Start/end times are as follows: Elementary – 8:25-3:10, Junior High – 8:20-3:32, NCHS – 8:05-3:20, NCWHS – 8:05-3:20.

Reports

Board representative reports were presented, in addition to a first draft of the Budget for 2003-2004, an update on air quality issues at Kingsley Jr. High School and NCHS, and an update on enrollment.

Consent Agenda

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Minutes of the July 16, 2003 regular session and the July 30 and August 6, 2003 special sessions.
- Payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$8,267,662.79.
- Resignations/retirements of four certified personnel and three educational support staff members.
- Employment of eleven certified staff members, eight educational support personnel, and six summer special education staff.
- Contract revisions for one certified and one educational support staff members.
- Leave requests for two certified and one educational support staff member.

Public Comments

No individuals addressed the Board at the meeting.

Closed Session

The Board met in closed session prior to the public session to consider the performance and salaries of specific employees, collective negotiating matters, and pending litigation.

