

Nippersink School District #2
Regular Board of Education Meeting
September 29, 2008

MINUTES

The Budget Hearing for Nippersink School District 2 was called to order at 6:46 P.M in the Nippersink Middle School Library. The following Board members were present: Patty Anderson, Sue Maurer, Mike Gullifor, Paul Offerman, Glenn Samuel, and Sharon Bianchini. Dr. Dan Oest, Superintendent and Dr. Paul Hain, Business Manager was also in attendance.

Dr. Hain reported that the budget had been placed on display for 30 days in accordance with all requirements. No requests to view the budget were received. The combination of funds in projected revenues total \$15,492,421 and projected expenditures total \$14,944,830 resulting in a projected fund balance of \$4,760,616.

Discussion followed between Board members and Administration and with no requests for comment, the 2008-09 Budget Hearing was closed at 6:59 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Nippersink School District #2, was called to order by President Patty Anderson at 7:02 P.M. in the Nippersink Middle School Library.

Members Present: Gullifor, Bianchini, Anderson, Maurer, Samuel, Offerman, Bushing (arrived 7:16 P.M.)

Also Present: Dr. Hain, Business Manager; Dr. Oest, Superintendent

New staff members introduced by Mrs. Jones, Mr. Molitor, and Mrs. May-Zelle included: Katie Dowell, Amy Henning, Kathy Colburn, Chris Colosimo, Gail Dalessandro, Jennifer Quall, Tammy Michaels, Kaaryn Cagann, Michelle Adam, Kristy Nellesen, Mariah Olhava, Kelly Stanich, Sherry Tossey, Tara Busa, Sherida Lusk, Kathy Patrone, Amy Thomas, Dayna Guardyak, Xander Hardt, Mel Tomei.

Fine Arts Presentation

Mrs. Moran and Mrs. Lauer presented the winning student artwork from the 2007-08 school year that will be included in the permanent collection at the respective schools. The student artists were presented with a miniature framed copy of their work. From Spring Grove Elementary: Bailey Jensen, 2nd grade; Ciara Doherty, 5th grade. From Richmond Grade School: Anthony Canevello, 5th grade; Miranda Halverson, 4th grade. And from Nippersink Middle School: Nick Bianchini, 6th grade; Chase Omar, 7th grade. Board members thanked the students and the teacher's for the gift to their school.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda included the following:

- Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes of August 26th, 2008
- Board Bills \$870,676.52
- Treasurer's Report

- Employment of Staff: Valerie Paleka, Teacher Aide; Adrienne Metz, Kitchen Staff; Gail Schwegel, Café Cleanup; Shari Dolaz, Melissa Alberts, and Michelle Sample, Recess Supervisors
- Leave of Absence Requests: Colleen Black
- Approval of Destruction of Closed Session Audio Recordings: 2/27/07 and 3/20/07

Motion by Gullifor and seconded by Offerman to approve the consent agenda items as submitted.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Gullifor, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Offerman, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Public Input

None

Reports

- Revenue/Expenditure Report, Special Education Revenue/Expenditure Report, Impact Fee Report, Imprest Account Report, ISDLAF Report, Transportation Report
- Administrative Reports

Superintendent

Dr. Oest shared the news that District 2 had received the Bright Star Award; one of the 82 awards given out of 870 school districts in the state. This award is given to schools whose students perform in the upper third of Illinois schools and whose per pupil expenditure is in the lower 25 percentile. Other items mentioned included that 1 FOIA request from the IL Policy Institute had been received and responded to; authorization was received from ISBE to move forward with the combination study; IASB membership confirmation was included in the packet; the School Safety Drill Act and Safety Reviews have been completed; progress is being made toward completion of the RtI plan with a number of trainings scheduled in the coming month.

Business Manager

Dr. Hain spoke of the new IRS regulations with regards to 403B's that will take effect January 1st. Employees have been informed of the changes. A vendor fair was held during the recent Institute Day. Those companies interested and willing to comply with the new regulations were included on the list provided to employees. Representative Jack Franks was contacted regarding restoration of the Debt Service Extension Base. The total for Districts 11 and 13 combined was \$179,000. The hope is that the bill to reinstate the Debt Service Extension Base for District 2 will be introduced during the January 2009 Session of Congress.

RGS Principal

Mrs. Jones shared the activities of ½ SIP Day that covered a variety of topics including; a visit from the Houghton-Mifflin/Harcourt company who met with 3rd-5th grade teachers to discuss the new reading materials; K-2nd grade teachers met with Mindy Pudlo to discuss guided reading strategies; and all teams and specialists were able to meet to discuss specific student needs.

SGE Principal

Mr. Pittman was absent. His report was provided in the packet.

NMS Principal

Mr. Molitor shared the excitement of his staff who is applying for a grant from Toyota.

Special Education Coordinator

Mrs. May-Zelle spoke of the smooth start to the school year and complimented all on the spirit of cooperation. Other topics addressed included the assistance of speech intern for the first semester, articulation goals across grade levels and buildings, articulation opportunities between D2 and D157 Psychologists, the sharing of professional development during SIP days, improvement of online IEP's, and Spec. Ed. Coordinator availability in all buildings.

Old Business

Debt Service Extension Base

Dr. Hain added that it had taken some time to locate documentation of the amount of the Debt Service Extension Base from the former school districts. Representative Franks will need to find a co-sponsor for the bill and it will hopefully have an effective date of July 1st.

Request for Statements for Qualifications for Architectural Services

The four pages associated with the Request for Statements for Qualifications approved at the August Board Meeting were shared with the Board and will be distributed to a list of architects as well as to those who request to be included in the process.

Motion by Gullifor and seconded by Bianchini to approve the Request for Statement of Qualifications for Architectural Services as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Gullifor, Bushing, Maurer, Bianchini, Samuel, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

New Business

SGE Teaching Assistant

Motion by Maurer and seconded by Bushing to establish a 5th grade instructional support position at SGE for the remainder of the 2008-09 school term.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Bushing, Anderson, Gullifor

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

FY2008-09 Budget Approval

The Budget Hearing took place at 6:45 P.M. this evening.

Motion by Maurer and seconded by Gullifor to approve the 2008-09 District 2 Budget as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Maurer, Samuel, Bushing, Bianchini, Gullifor, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Application for Recognition of Schools

Motion by Bushing and seconded by Gullifor to approve the NMS, SGE, and RGS Applications for Recognition of Schools.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Samuel, Maurer, Bushing, Gullifor, Bianchini, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Public Input

None

Closed Session

Motion by Gullifor and seconded by Bianchini to enter into Closed Session at 7:33 P.M. to consider information pertaining to the appointment, employment, dismissal, performance, discipline and compensation of employees and imminent litigation.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Bianchini, Samuel, Gullifor, Bushing, Maurer, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Action After Closed Session

Return to Open Session at 8:13 P.M. President Anderson stated that there was no further Board business or action coming out of Closed Session.

Adjournment

Motion by Bushing and seconded by Samuel to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the District 2 Board of Education at 8:13 P.M.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Bushing, Gullifor, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

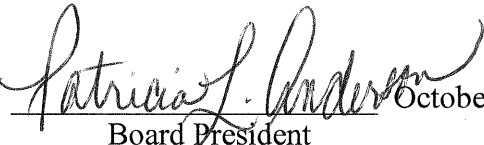
Next Regular Meeting, October 28, 2008

Board of Education of Nippersink

School District #2

ATTEST:


Board Secretary


Board President

October 28, 2008