

**HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – BUDGET HEARING
June 25, 2007**

The special board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Fuhrman in the Middle School Large Group Room.

Members Present: Davis, Wendland, Burdick, Fuhrman, McDonald, and Fischer (6)
Members Absent: Morse (1)

A motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Burdick to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

President Fuhrman asked at this time if there would be any public input. No one responded.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Burdick to adopt the budget amendment resolutions as presented for the following funds for 2006/07: General Fund, Community Schools, Lunch Fund, Athletic Fund, Durant, 1977, 1991, 2001, 2006 and 2007 Debt Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Burdick, seconded by McDonald to approve Josh Brey for the middle school math position for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Wendland, seconded by Davis to approve the contract renewal and adjustments for the following:

- Executive Secretary Maresi Witte 2007-09
- Business Manager Pam Gibson 2007-09
 - Increase of \$2,500
- Facilities/Maintenance Manager Dave Fox 2007-08
- Transportation Supervisor Dan Warner 2007-08
- Pool Director Mark Dunn 2007-08
- Technology Director Bo Whitfield 2007-09

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by McDonald to approve a 2% cost of living pay increase for 2007-08 for the following:

- Directors: Executive Secretary Maresi Witte
- Business Manager Pam Gibson
- Facilities/Maintenance Manager Dave Fox
- Transportation Supervisor Dan Warner
- Pool Director Mark Dunn
- Technology Director Bo Whitfield
- Counselors: Elementary Counselor Joan St. John
- High School Counselor Shelby Richardson
- Principals: Elementary Principal Karey Scholten
- Middle School Principal Wil Cwikiel
- High School Principal Susan Jacobs

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Burdick to adopt the resolution for the Schools of Choice Cooperative Program and the acceptance of Nonresident Students Under Section 105C of the State Aid Act for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Larson discussed the 2007/08 budget parameters:

Proposed revenues and expenditures for the 2007-08 General Fund Budget:

Revenues – \$11,420,075

- Based on 1,111 students
- \$0 increase in the State Foundation Allowance - \$8,375
- Local revenue increase of \$611K from 2006-07

Expenditures – \$11,577,790

- Retirement rate is 16.72% of wages
 - 2007-08 - \$1,013K
 - 2006-07 - \$983K
- Insurance increased 5.5%
 - 2007-08 - \$1,560K
 - 2006-07 - \$1,429K
- Wages increased \$334K
 - 2007-08 – \$6,009K
 - 2006-07 - \$5,675K
- Utilities - \$469K
 - DTE - \$190K
 - Electric - \$246K
 - Water - \$33K
- Transportation Expenses - \$340K
- Operations and Maintenance - \$1,338K
 - Includes utility costs
- Transfer to Athletics \$290K – 2006-07 \$274K
- Trans to Community Schools – \$131K – 2006-07 \$109K

Other highlights of the 07/08 Budget include the following:

- Building supply budgets will be maintained
- Program offerings and optimal class sizes are being maintained
- We have not needed to layoff or reduce any staff members

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Wendland to adopt the proposed budget resolutions for the following funds for 2007/2008: General Fund, Community Schools, Lunch Fund, Athletic Fund, Durant, 1977, 1991, 2001, 2006 and 2007 Debt Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

President Fuhrman asked if there was any public input.

Shannon Cummings commented on how unhappy she is with the middle school teacher reassignments and the curriculum.

A motion was made by Burdick, seconded by McDonald to adjourn the special board meeting at 7:38 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Wendland
Secretary