

WEST BRANCH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MORRISDALE, PA
SPECIAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

The special meeting of the West Branch Area School District Board of Directors was held in the high school auditorium on September 29, 2005, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL
Members present: Alan Larson; Anna Mae Pezulla; Mary Beth Speigle; Ted Hubler; Don Yontosh.
Members absent: Timothy Eyerly; Joseph Veneziano; Ronald Mollura; Robert Smith.

Due to the absence of the president and vice-president, Anna Mae Pezulla was the temporary president.

Mary Beth Speigle motioned, Ted Hubler seconded, to approve the following motion:

PERSONNEL:

MATCHOCK
RESIGNATION

1. Propose the Board approve accepting Ron Matchock's resignation November 30, 2005 (less accrued vacation and personal days).

Motion carried.

MOTION
DEFERRED

The following motion was deferred to the October meeting:

2. Propose the Board advertise for a High School Principal and School Solicitor.

Don Yontosh motioned, Alan Larson seconded, to approve the following motion:

TRIP APPROVED

PROGRAM:

1. Propose the Board approve the rain date of Monday, October 3, 2005 for Grade 1 Way's Fruit Farm trip postponed today.

Motion carried.

BOND ISSUE
INFORMATION

Les Bear did a presentation about the bond issue. He stated that the district would stay under \$10 million dollars to get bank qualified rates on the bond refunding. There would be a 3.95% savings on the partial refunding of the 2003 bond issue. The 2005 bond would be invested in state, local and U.S. government investments. A "AAA" rating was received on the bond and this is the lowest bond insurance coverage he has ever seen. It is \$8,000 under what the bond should have been.

Jens Damgaard presented the bond resolution information.

Don Yontosh motioned, Alan Larson seconded, to approve the following motion:

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

RESOLUTION OF
BOND

1. Propose the Board approve the Resolution of the General Obligation Bond Series of 2005.

Roll call vote: Mary Beth Speigle – yes; Ted Hubler – yes; Don Yontosh – yes; Alan Larson – yes; Anna Mae Pezulla – yes. 5 yes, 0 no.

Motion carried.

EXEC. SESSION

Executive session for personnel was held at 8:05 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 8:15 P.M.

Ted Hubler motioned, Alan Larson seconded, to approve the following motion:

SEALING OF WEST
WALL

2. Propose the Board approve the sealing of the west wall.

Roll call vote: Don Yontosh – yes; Ted Hubler – yes; Mary Beth Speigle – yes; Anna Mae Pezzulla – no; Alan Larson – yes. 4 yes, 1 no.

Motion carried.

CONSTRUCTION
BILLS

A discussion was held on the construction bills. Paul Carr asked the Board if they would pay the construction bills if the district, architect, Quandel and engineer would go through the building and verify the completion of the punch list. The Board said they would consider paying what has been completed.

PATHLINE REPORT

Bob Marz, Architect and Quandel will not be able to obtain a copy of the Pathline report at this time.

Alan Larson motioned, Don Yontosh seconded, to approve the following motions:

HAYWARD / ACTING
PRIN.

1. Propose the Board approve William Hayward as Acting Principal of grades 6 to 12 until a permanent replacement can be found for the high school principal at his current rate.

WECHTENHISER /
TEMP. DN OF STDNTS

2. Propose the Board approve Sean Wechtenhiser from part-time to full-time Dean of Students until a permanent replacement for the high school principal can be found.

ADV. / HS PRIN.

3. Propose the Board advertise for a new high school principal.

ADJOURN

Don Yontosh motioned, Alan Larson seconded, to adjourn at 8:19 P.M.

Minutes taken by Paul S. Carr, Business Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Ennis
Board Secretary