

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Mauston Board of Education**

DATE: Monday, October 26, 2015

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: District Administrative Office – Training Room
510 Grayside Avenue, Mauston WI 53948

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Holmes, Kryka, Rogers, Fox, Vinopal, Berkos

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

1. Board President Carrie Buss called the Special Meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. All members were present.
2. Business Manager Julie Lankey-Smallwood reviewed final information about the 2015-2016 School District budget. She explained the factors that impact the final budget numbers including general aid, computer aid, property values, student membership and revenue limit exemptions, and noted that the mil rate for the 2015-2016 school year will be \$11.96/\$1,000, which is a decrease of \$0.19. Motion by Berkos/Fox to adopt the 2015-2016 School District Budget as presented (Ref. BoardBook, Pages 4-8/District File). Motion carried 7/0.
3. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to to certify the School District of Mauston Tax Levy for 2015, as presented, in the amount of \$7,744,736.00 (Ref. BoardBook, Page 8/File). The motion carried 7/0.
4. Board President Carrie Buss, Superintendent Christine M. Weymouth and Mauston High School Principal discussed the topographical survey and borings needed prior to renovation of the existing football field and track area, as represented in the *Survey and Project Limits* schematic from Point of Beginning Landscape Design (Stevens Point, WI) for completion of the survey and borings as shown (Ref./BoardBook page 18). Motion by Berkos/Fox to approve the proposal from Point of Beginning for completion of the topographic survey, mapping and geotechnical investigation (borings) of the existing football field and track area (Ref. BoardBook page 18; approximately 19 acres/including baseball field at no extra charge), for a cost of \$8,350.00. It was noted that this cost is in addition the original estimated cost for the renovation of the football field and track as detailed in the Spring 2015 Referendum. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
5. Mr. Dillin further reported on the preliminary discussions of the Campus Fields Advisory Team, and noted that group's recommendation to develop a campus-wide master plan, and further, to survey the rest of the outdoor facility properties behind the high school. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to approve the proposal from Point of Beginning for completion of the topographic survey of approximately 36 acres including mapping, easement search and private utility locate services at a cost of \$8,100.00. This portion

of the geotechnical survey and investigation will be paid for out of the district's General Fund, and is not a part of the referendum projects for 2016. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.

6. The Board and district administrators and staff conducted a workshop discussion regarding campus safety and crisis response. Superintendent Weymouth distributed a summary sheet outlining the current areas of school district safety and crisis response. She noted that the goal of the district's Safety Team is to revise and update the district's plan by the Spring of 2016.
7. Dr. Weymouth asked the Board and staff members for input concerning critical topics and important features of the district's crisis plan. Earlier this year, the Board adopted the "ALICE" response protocol as a general design for district crisis response. Lieutenant Mike Zilisch clarified some of the training guidelines for ALICE, noting that training for staff and students are specialized for the intended audiences.
8. Other discussion points included the importance of communication with parents and the community, completion of new door locks and secure access points, increased use of technology for alerts and communications to parents in an emergency, designation of rally points in the event of evacuation, training of substitute teachers, planning for crisis response teams (including teaching staff, administration, nurses, clergy, counselors, etc.), and meetings with parents to inform them about the new plan.
9. Motion by Rogers/Berkos to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

Recorded by:
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