

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE CUSD #399 REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JULY 14, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Chadwick-Milledgeville Community Unit School District #399 Board of Education was held at the Milledgeville School on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 7:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, Jr., and S. Schave. D. Wagenknecht arrived at 8:47 p.m.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: T. Schurman, Superintendent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Abbie Gelwicks, Cindy Feltmeyer, Mitchel Rahn, Miller & Buettner Representatives Mike Parrott and Patricia Franklin.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Sandi Baylor-Schmidt. A motion was made by E. Rahn and seconded by S. Schave to approve the posted agenda. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

CONSENT ITEMS: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by K. Gebhardt to approve the following consent items as presented.

- a. Minutes of the June 20, 2011, Regular Board Meeting and Closed Session
- b. Payment of bills for July, 2011
- c. Treasurer's report for June, 2011
- d. Activity Fund Account for June 2011
- e. 2010-11 Year End Activity Accounts Report
- f. Financial Report: End of Year Summary  
Mr. Schurman reported that we ended the year with a positive budget outcome. We achieved 108.94% of forecast revenues and 93.96% of forecast expenditures.

The Board Approved and Gave Notice of the Schedule of Regular Board Meetings for 2012 Fiscal Year

The 2011-12 regular board meetings will take place on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Milledgeville High School library. Due to conflicts with national holidays the board will meet on the third Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. in the Milledgeville High School library during the months of January and February.

Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC:

The Board heard a report from the Milledgeville High School FFA regarding their attendance at the State FFA Convention in Springfield. Mitchel Rahn and Abbie Gelwicks were the presenters.

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### OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by K. Gebhardt and seconded by P. Eubanks to approved Student Handbooks for each school. A new lunch charge policy was added to all district handbooks. The Milledgeville High School handbook had several minor wording changes. In addition, changes to student behavior expectations and penalties were more clearly defined in the high school handbook. Approved new agriculture class proposed in year end departmental report. Voice vote showed 6 ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by K. Gebhardt and seconded by E. Rahn to approve coaches for fall sports-including the hire of Jenna Adolph as High School Assistant Volleyball Coach for the 2011 season. Roll call vote showed P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. S. Baylor-Schmidt abstained. No nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by E. Rahn and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve the addition of a new Ag class, Supervised Agriculture Experience I or SAE I. Voice vote showed 6 ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by L. Hutchison and seconded by E. Rahn to approve non-certified salary increases for 2011-2012 at 2% with the exception of Linda Kness at 6% (early retirement incentive), and Valerie Geary at 4%. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by S. Baylor-Schmidt and seconded by K. Gebhardt to designate Superintendent Schurman to sign-off on accounts and checks on behalf of the District and Principal Rademacher to sign-off on activity accounts and checks. Voice vote showed 6 ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the District Health Insurance Program. Mr. Mike Parrott of Miller, Buettner, and Parrott of our insurance consulting firm gave a presentation on the coming year insurance premiums and possible options.

A motion was made by K. Gebhardt and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve School Improvement Plans for Milledgeville Elementary, Chadwick Elementary, Chadwick Junior High, and Milledgeville High School. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by K. Gebhardt to approve continuation of the Eastland-Milledgeville Golf Coop for the 2011 Season. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Financial Presentation: Superintendent Schurman presented a financial analysis and summary of the condition of each of the four operating funds over the past five years.

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The financial condition of the district has made positive strides despite cuts in state funding.

### CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by L. Hutchison and seconded by E. Rahn to convene in closed session at 8:45 p.m. in order to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057. Review of closed session minutes. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, L. Hutchison, E. Rahn, and S. Schave voting aye. No nays. Motion carried. D. Wagenknecht arrived at 8:47 p.m.

A motion was made by E. Rahn and seconded by K. Gebhardt to reconvene into regular open session at 9:35 p.m. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Principal's Contract Approved: A motion was made by E. Rahn and seconded by K. Gebhardt to approve a one year contract for Milledgeville Principal Paula Rademacher for the 2011-12 school year. Her salary will be \$71,500. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, P. Eubanks, K. Gebhardt, E. Rahn, S. Schave, and D. Wagenknecht voting aye. L. Hutchison voted nay. Motion carried.

### ADMINISTRATIVE DISCUSSION

Legislative Report- Mr. Schurman reported that the governor used his line item veto to cut transportation funding by \$89 million dollars for the 2012 fiscal year and eliminated some funding for Regional Offices of Education. These cuts will put further pressure on rural schools transportation fund and reduce services we receive from the ROE. Funding for education in Illinois has been cut by more than \$650 million dollars since fiscal year 2009.

Legal Issues Update-Mr. Schurman reported on the impact the new education reform legislation will have on teacher tenure and evaluation. Future reductions in staff will be based on performance not seniority.

Early Step Preschool Report-Mr. Schurman reported that our County Consortium grant application was approved by the Illinois State Board of Education and we will receive \$676,950 to serve 160 children.

Principal's Report-Mrs. Rademacher reported on summer work and planning completed for next school year.

### Superintendent's Report

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District Financial Ranking-Mr. Schurman reported that the district was awarded Financial Recognition Status by the Illinois State Board of Education. This is the highest rating a district can receive and is demonstrative of improved financial condition of our district.

NCLB Title I and IIA Grants- Mr. Schurman reported that both grants which fund reading and math remediation services and staff professional development have been completed and submitted to the ISBE.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by K. Gebhardt and seconded by S. Baylor-Schmidt to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Voice vote showed 7 ayes; no nays. Motion carried.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY