

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #34

Deering, Hillsboro, Washington, and Windsor

SAU #34 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 29, 2018 - 6:30 pm

Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School, Media Center

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm. Vice Chair Musmanno led the Pledge of Allegiance, and made the announcement as to the presence of a quorum, that the meeting has been duly called, and notice of the meeting has been posted for time and in the manner required by law. Also announced that the meeting is being recorded and will appear on the internet.

B. Roll Call

A roll call was taken by the secretary with the following results:

Hillsboro-Deering School Board

Rich Pelletier- Present

Christopher Bober- Present

Paul Plater- Present

Kathryn McGinn- Absent

Jessica Morris - Present

Washington School Board

Linda Musmanno- Present

Karen Belanger- Absent

Kathy Atkins- Present

Cameo Mulliner- Absent

Arin Mills- Present

Windsor School Board

Darlene Cuddy- Absent

Gloria Landry- Present

Cynthia Stosse- Present

Robert A. Hassett, Superintendent

Patricia Parenteau, Assistant Superintendent

Lori Schmidt, Business Administrator

C. Recess Meeting to Public Hearing

D. SAU 34 Budget Public Hearing

1. SAU 34 FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget presentation
 - i. FY20 Proposed Budget = \$1,192,200

1. increase of \$85,363
 2. 7.7% Increase
 - ii. Budget changes
2. Public Comment and Questions
 - i. John Segedy
 1. Identify what the other contracted positions are?
 - a. Superintendent
 - b. Assistant Superintendent
 - c. Others?
 2. Applying \$20K in grant revenue, this year it is budgeted for \$50K, which is roughly \$30k more
 3. Suggests that the board returns the other \$27K from surplus to the voters
 - a. Lori Schmidt
 - i. The state sets a new grant rate each year and the amount of the grants is being reduced.
 - ii. Projected loss of around \$18,000.00
 4. The budget should be going down, not up.
 5. The number of administrative positions is not needed in a district
 - ii. Member of the community - Tim Shaifer
 1. What is the actual budget for FY 19?
 - a. \$1,106,837.00
 2. This is a really high budget
3. Close Public Hearing

E. Call Meeting Back to Order

F. Discussion Items

1. FY 2019-20 SAU 34 Budget
 - i. Paul Plater - How do the changes to the default budget law effect
 1. the new law applies to district budgets, not the SAU

G. Public Comment

1. John Segady
 - i. Correct Letter A i. 2 "rot" to "not" in the minutes.
 - ii. Your silence is deafening. would be nice to have heard discussion about how to save us money
2. Board Response
 - i. Rich Pelletier.
 1. There are not may places to cut in this budget. We would have to start cutting staff.
 2. This is not in the best interest of the district.

3. we need these positions to run this district
- ii. Linda Musmanno
 1. the board votes and represents their own communities
 2. we need these staff Positions
- iii. Chris Bober
 1. Trying to be as fiscally conservative as we can, but also need to consider the amount of behind the scenes work the Administration does
3. Tim Shaifer
 - i. People are getting to the breaking point with taxes
 1. People are looking to move out of the area but are stuck with the housing market.
 - ii. Rich Pelletier
 1. The administrative team we have are all needed, and they are all trained.

H. Action Items

1. Minutes
 - i. Chris Bober moved to approve the minutes from October 25th as amended. Cynthia Stosse seconds. Motion passed 4-0-3 (Gloria Landry, Jessica Morris, and Paul Plater abstained)
2. Approve FY 2019-2020 SAU #34 Budget
 - i. Chris Bober moved to accept the proposed budget of \$1,192,200 and the Alternative budget of \$1,174,781 for FY 2019-2020. Gloria Landry seconds. Motion passed 6-0-1 (Paul Plater abstained)

I. Adjournment

1. Rich Pelletier moved to adjourn. Chris Bober seconds. Motion passed unanimously at 7:13pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Megan Fleagle