

ISD 877
Buffalo–Hanover–Montrose Schools
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Monday, Jauary 12, 2009
6:30 p.m.
Tatanka Elementary

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL at 6:55 p.m. by Superintendent Jim Bauck.
Present: Rolf Mohwinkel, Doug Olson, Jeff Mattson, Patti Pokorney, Sue Lee, Melissa Brings, Dave Wilson

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD

A. Election of Chair

RM moved to nominate Dave Wilson, close nominations and requested a unanimous ballot

PP – second

Motion carried 7-0

B. Election of Vice Chair

PP – moved to nominate Sue Lee, close nominations and requested a unanimous ballot

MB – second

Motion carried 7-0

Chair Dave Wilson chaired the remainder of the meeting.

C. Election of Clerk

JM – moved to nominate Melissa Brings, close nominations and requested a unanimous ballot

DO – second

Motion carried 7-0

D. Election of Treasurer

MB – moved to nominate Doug Olson, close nominations and requested a unanimous ballot

RM – second

Motion carried 7-0

E. Election of Acting Clerk/Treasurer

MB – moved to nominate Jeff Mattson, close nominations and requested a unanimous ballot

RM – second

Motion carried 7-0

4. ACTIONS REGARDING:
A. Montrose Property – Eden Building

Tour of the property was provided last week. Some questions were raised:

- What about using the current school property to build an ECFE center instead of purchasing new property. Cost would probably be a little more than 2 million dollars.
- What about lease/levy and lease/purchase options for building a new building. Complicated but possible – need to go through a private financier and developer.
- Can use current building funds which need to be used up by fall of 2009. (These funds are from the 2003 bond.) The items that this money can be used for were detailed in the Review and Comment. Deferred maintenance projects were a little more open in description.
- Can these funds be used for the track or tennis courts at the middle school. Probably. Not sure it could be used for a new track.
- What about the district warehouse building. Would not be practical to have our storage building located in Montrose.
- Montrose elementary site is 20 acres which is what is recommended for an elementary site. Is there enough space to build but then would we not be able to add on to the Montrose building – possibly.
- Programs which would be included at the site are ECFE, ECSE, Head Start and daycare. Daycare and Head Start would provide revenue through leases.
- Could we add on to Montrose Elementary, probably through a lease/levy. Cannot increase by more than 20% of the current footage.
- Concern with if we don't purchase the property, who will purchase it and what type of business may move in. It is up to the city zoning as to what type of business could operate there – believe it is zoned light commercial.

Chair Wilson asked for a motion to purchase the property. Item died for lack of a motion.

5. OTHER

- Board members will carpool to the MSBA Leadership Conference on Thursday, January 15.
- Integration budget is still not approved and we will not hear until February.
- City would like to meet with the County and School district to meet with local legislators to hear about budget concerns.

PP to adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Brings, Clerk
ISD 877 Board of Education