# Unofficial Morrow County School District Budget Committee Minutes May 5, 2008

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Budget Committee meeting of May 5, 2008, held at the District Office board room in Lexington, OR.

**BOARD/BUDGET MEMBERS PRESENT**: Craig Miles, Bill Kuhn, Daniel Daltoso, Barney

Lindsay, Nancy VanderDoes, Pat McNamee, Lisanne Currin, Rita Van Schoiack, Dan Young, Keith Lewis

and Nicole Mahoney.

**BOARD/BUDGET MEMBERS ABSENT**: Berto Hernandez, Dean Mason, Greg Barron

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**: Mark Burrows, Julie Ashbeck and Rhonda Lorenz.

OTHERS PRESENT: n/a

#### Call to Order

Last year's Budget Committee Chairman, Dan Daltoso called the budget committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office board room in Lexington, OR. The flag was saluted and a quorum established.

<u>Introductions</u>: Introductions were made and new committee members Rita Van Schoaick and Nicole Mahoney were welcomed.

## **Election of Officers**

The first order of business was to elect a chairman and vice chairman.

Motion: Bill Kuhn nominated Dan Daltoso as Chairman; Pat McNamee seconded the motion. With

no other nominations for Chairman the following vote was taken:

Ayes: Miles, Kuhn, VanderDoes, McNamee, Lindsay, Currin, Young, Mahoney, VanSchoiack,

and Lewis

Noes: n/a Abstentions: Daltoso

Dan Daltoso was elected as Chairman

Motion: Bill Kuhn made a motion to nominate Lisanne Currin for Vice Chairman; Pat McNamee

seconded the motion. With no other nominations for Vice Chairman the following vote

was taken:

Ayes: Kuhn, Miles, Daltoso, Lindsay, VanderDoes, Young, McNamee, Mahoney, VanSchoiack

and Lewis

Noes: n/a
Abstentions: Currin

Lisanne Currin was elected as Vice Chairman

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**Establish Meeting Procedures –** the meetings will not exceed one hour.

## **Budget Message & Overview of Budget Document**

Mr. Burrows reviewed his budget message and reported on not only the balance between income and expenses, but the balance between providing service for kids and fiscal responsibility of taxpayer money. He reported that the student growth has slowed way down and has flattened out, noting the calculation of how the district is paid based on ADM (average daily membership).

He shared with the Budget Committee that the board recently took action to reduce 5 licensed positions and bring staffing ratios back in to line, noting that our student/teacher ratios are very good compared with many other districts around the state.

Mr. Burrows also reported that with aging buildings and infrastructure the district will be looking at additional maintenance costs. He said that there are 6 projects that could exceed \$1-2 million, including a complete retrofit of the HVAC system at Riverside High School.

# **Questions/Input from Community & Budget Committee**

The following questions and/or clarifications were made relating to: the \$530K grant-in-aid; drug & alcohol funding cut; PERS employee pickup; staff cuts for specialists; bond fund; loan proceeds/borrowing money; earnings on investments; reduction in FTE from one year to the next; long term maintenance program; early retiree insurance;

#### Approval of Budget to Board for Budget Hearing

Motion:	Lisanne Currin moved to approve the permanent tax rate in the amount of \$4.0342 per
	\$1000 of assessed value for operating purposes for the 2008-09 fiscal year; to approve
	Fund 301, Debt Service for a tax levy in the amount of \$1,593,721; and to approve all other funds in the total amount of \$6,218,058. Den Young seconded the motion
	funds in the total amount of \$6,218,058. Dan Young seconded the motion.
Ayes	Miles, Currin, Daltoso, VanderDoes, Kuhn, Van Schoiack, Mahoney, Lindsay, Young,
·	Lewis and McNamee
Noes	none
Motion pass	sed
Chairman D	Paltoso adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m
Respectfully	y submitted:
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ulie Ashbe	ck, Secretary Dan Daltoso, Chairman of the Budget Committee