

MINUTES
CARTHAGE ESD #317
BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUDGET HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2015

The budget hearing of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Vice-President Robert Menn.

Roll call: Mr. Ufkes/absent; Mr. Blue/present; Mr. Menn/present; Mrs. Huston/present; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/present; Mrs. Graham/present.

The proposed budget was reviewed. There was no one present wishing to address the board regarding the budget.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Graham to adjourn the budget hearing at 7:02 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Board Vice-President Robert Menn.

Roll call: Mr. Ufkes/absent; Mr. Blue/present; Mr. Menn/present; Mrs. Huston/present; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/present; Mrs. Graham/present.

There were no additional agenda items.

Lyle Klein spoke on behalf of the teacher's union and expressed their desire to retain a principal in each building and the benefits of doing so.

Administrative Reports: Mrs. Hardy gave an overview of what she learned at the Western Division meeting recently concerning a possible property tax freeze. PARCC testing was discussed.

Mrs. Pepple reported that PALS is going well and she is still accepting volunteers. The kindergarten class is doing very well, with 25 in one classroom and 27 in the other. The IT infrastructure has been upgraded and is functioning very well with an increase to 75 megabyte bandwidth from the previous 24 megabyte.

Mr. Butcher commented on the CAC meeting held earlier in the day and the progress that is being made. He will attend a truancy meeting tomorrow in Macomb. There will also be fire drills at both schools tomorrow.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Ufkes/absent; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs.

Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The middle school roof repair was discussed. It was the general consensus of the board to move forward with having BLDD begin working on a proposal. This will be an action item on next month's agenda.

Property Tax Freeze was discussed during Mrs. Hardy's report to the board.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Graham to approve the FY16 budget as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Ufkes/absent; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Menn to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Roll Call: Mr. Ufkes/absent; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes. Motion carried 5-0.