

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
Manitowoc Board of Education  
October 23, 2012

A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Jim Protsman at 12:00 noon. Members present were Ms. Karen Rohrer, Mr. Lee Braunel, Ms. Chrystal Myer, Ms. Linda Gratz and Mr. Jim Protsman. Also present were Superintendent Mark Swanson and Board secretary Rebecca McLafferty.  
Members absent: Ms. Catherine Shallue, Mr. J.J. Ploederl

Director of Business Services Ken Mischler outlined the budget adjustments that need to be approved in order to establish the district's 2012-2013 tax levy. Information necessary to set the tax levy was not available until this time. The information needed to approve the property tax includes state equalization aid, computer aid, third Friday enrollment, municipal equalized property values, and transfer of services between districts. Wisconsin's Department of Public Instruction certified the equalization aid to all districts as of October 15.

The adjusted 2012-2013 budget shows a slight increase in enrollment from the estimate, which was based on an increase in the pre-kindergarten to grade 12 enrollments. The third Friday enrollment increased by 9 full-time equivalencies (FTEs) and summer school enrollment increased by 2 FTEs. A declining enrollment exemption allowed the district an additional \$533,950 of revenue limit authority. The \$1,200 transfer of service out charge resulted in the District's revenue limit calculation decreasing \$1,200 from the previous estimate, to \$48,895,950, or a decrease of 0.88% from last year. The District will receive \$29,666,258 in equalization aid and \$117,217 in computer aid, an increase of \$112,689 in equalization aid over the previous estimate.

This increase in equalization aid results in a decrease of \$117,106 from the October 9<sup>th</sup> approved tax levy and increasing the property tax levy \$62,122, or 0.31% over last year. The District will use \$1.5 million from fund balance to reduce the Fund 39 tax levy. The net tax levy rate will increase from last year's \$8.32 per \$1,000 to \$8.59 per \$1,000 this year.

After reviewing budget change rationale, motion was made by Chrystal Myer and seconded by Lee Braunel to approve the changes to the Manitowoc Public School District's 2012-2013 budget, which were adopted October 9, 2012. Roll call vote passed 5-0.

It was moved by Karen Rohrer, seconded by Lee Braunel, and unanimously carried by roll call vote (5-0), to establish the 2012-2013 property tax levy of \$19,941,424. Apportionment of the total tax levy is as follows:

City of Manitowoc	\$15,320,907
City of Two Rivers	\$ 152,367
Town of Centerville	\$ 282,789
Town of Kossuth	\$ 596,100
Town of Manitowoc	\$ 759,771
Town of Manitowoc Rapids	\$ 1,217,796
Town of Newton	\$ 1,445,223
Town of Two Rivers	\$ 166,471

Motion was made by Lee Braunel, seconded by Linda Gratz, and carried unanimously (5-0) by roll call vote to approve the Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$1,035,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes.

On motion brought forward from the Curriculum Committee meeting this date, the Board voted to approve two new courses: Media Production, for students in grades 7-9 (1/2 credit English elective for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students) and Automation and Robotics, for students in grades 11-12. Students will still need to take the traditional 9<sup>th</sup> grade English course. The Automation and Robotics course is a full credit elective, transcribed with LTC.

Motion was made by Lee Braunel, seconded by Linda Gratz, and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 12:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca McLafferty, Secretary

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James Protsman  
Board President