Morton School District #214
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
And BUDGET HEARING
May 18, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Pat Saldaña called the budget hearing to order at 5:30 pm. The flag salute was given.

The board members present Ms. Pat Saldaña, Mrs. Krishna Eveland, Mr. Don Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Betty Huchison. Ms. Pat Saldaña verified a quorum is present. Mr. Warren Dunlap was absent and excused from the meeting.

Mrs. April Kaech explained that we have to have 2 readings of the budget for OSPI. We are still waiting for the numbers from the state to come in, however the state has allowed districts to do an estimate. April has taken the highest proposed 3.0% COLA in the budget, everyone's salaries have been increased by 3.0%. If the voted on amount comes in less than that, then revenue will be decreased by that same amount, so everything should even itself out. We are basing this year's budget off 280 FTE, Mr. Hannah explained last year was based on 275, and this number was based on conversation with the building principals. April stated she worked with the Mr. Hannah to come up with expenditures for next year. April stated the fund balance is based on what we are expecting to be at, at the end of this school year, this can fluctuate based on expenditures throughout the summer. Mr. Hannah explained there are some bills that may lower some ratio's that are currently being reflected in the revenue. For example there may be some increased numbers in kindergarten that may require a part time employee, those changes may not be reflected until September. In Capital Projects, Mrs. Kaech is estimating there will not be a lot of expenditures out of Capital Project expenses this summer. Mrs. Kaech is recommending we build the capacity of $200,000.00 for next year, we are not expecting to spend this money, however this will allow us to use the funding without requiring a budget extension if an emergency were to come up. Mrs. Eveland asked if there are any expected expenses out of capital projects next year? Mr. Hannah stated there may be expenses due to moving the maintenance equipment out of the shop, also, there has been some discussion throughout the community regarding not being able to use softball fields. Mrs. April Kaech went on to discuss debt services. Once our debt is paid off from the bond, we can move the Timber Revenue out of this fund into capital projects. This will not be happening until the budget for the 2017-18 school year. Mr. Hannah wanted to ensure the board that this is not moving citizen debt to capital projects, this is moving funding from timber tax into Capital Projects. Mr. Don Powell

wanted to know how long this fund balance will be available. Mrs. April Kaech stated this has to remain open to be able to collect on late taxes. Mrs. April Kaech stated she is really proud of the students this year for the work they did along with Mr. Josh Stoney to create the ASB budget this year. Each club came up with their own budgets. It shows a higher expenditure than revenue shown in the budget as we are having some new clubs coming in next year, and we need to have the capacity to build the new clubs. Of course they will have to do fundraising before being able to spend any money. Ms. Pat Saldana asked what the sign club was. Mr. Hannah stated this used to be called the booster club, this is where all of the signs in the gym are coming from. Mrs. April Kaech explained with the Transportation Vehicle Fund. There are not any proposed expenditures in the next year as there isn't enough money in the TVF. Mrs. Krishna Eveland asked when the next estimated bus purchase would be? Mrs. April Kaech stated most likely in the next 2 years. Mr. George Harbaugh does a great job making sure the rotation in the fleet is best for the depreciation value...(listen to recording)...Mr. Don Powell asked how we are doing with this year's budget. .....(listen to recording).

Ms. Pat Saldana asked for a motion to adjourn the budget hearing. Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to adjourn the budget hearing at 5:54, Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

We would like to call the school board meeting at 6:00

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Mr. Don Powell** made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on April 20, 2015. Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Mrs. Pat Saldana asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. John Hannah explained the changes to the agenda, adding School Nurse Kim Inocencio to item 9.1 and the school calendar language as well as the calendar to item 9.6. Mrs. Krishna Eveland made motion to adopt the agenda with the changes, Mr. Don Powell seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to approve the vouchers for the month of March and payroll vouchers for the month of April. Mr. Don Powell seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: **Mr. John Hannah, Superintendent.** Mr. Hannah stated we had accreditation; CPR and our Audit all come to an end this month. Everything went really well. With CPR we had about 13 items, most in the office of civil rights, which is a new thing they have been looking at more closely, mainly policies that were already updated. Mr. Hannah stated Tim McKneely, the director of our CPR had very positive things to say overall. With the audit, there was one finding regarding procurement, when you are using federal dollars there needs to be 3 quotes when expending over $3000.00 unless they are considered the sole supplier. In the board report, Mr. Hannah went over some of the different bills including salary schedule, COLAs, etc. to give the board an idea of the discussion in the Olympia. These will drive the budget. We need to start thinking about the M&O Levy. Mr. Hannah stated we completed the facilities survey to discuss a bond vs. capital projects levy. Based on the facilities survey, we would only get a state match of 30%, this is coming from the values of the mills, hospital, and other businesses. We would not have enough to fund the thoughts of the facilities committee. Mr. Hannah would like to meet with the facilities committee again to discuss the next steps. Ms. Saldana asked if we need more information from the facilities survey before going to the facilities meeting. Mr. Hannah stated one of the huge things they were asking for was the dollar amount. Mr. Don Powell asked what the directive of the facilities committee was? Mr. Hannah stated it was to focus on facility needs of the district. We didn't want to put them down one path such as combining the Elementary and Jr/Sr. High so there is room for other information. Mr. Don Powell stated good job on the audit. Mr. Don Powell asked if we are still encumbering requisitions. April stated yes, she explained the new process for requisitions.

Mrs. April Kaech, Financial Report. Mrs. April Kaech stated we received huge tax revenue in the month of April. Do not expect to see a fund balance at this level because our apportionment will go down for the next two months to make up for the increase in tax dollars. Our apportionment will go up after two months. Mrs. April Kaech went through all of the fund balances, expenditures and revenues for the different accounts.

Mr. John Hannah, Principal Report. Mr. Hannah stated our enrollment has crept up again this month which is great. Mr. Hannah stated we have a lot of new staff coming in. Mr. Hannah, Mr. Stoney, and Mrs. Tully have been working on standard classroom procedures, meaning teachers will be treating referrals the same, and most classroom rules. This will help with classroom management. We are also doing the same thing with our syllabi; we have made this universal throughout the different classrooms so all of the same information is available. This is another step to get everyone on the same track. With assessment, we would like to have a universal screener; we have purchased STAR 360 for next year. Starting June 1st we

are going to start testing so we have data on day one of next year. This will help with placement for RTI classes. Mr. Don Powell asked if they will be tested individually. Mr. Hannah stated yes, but each class will test at the same time. The testing is based on the core standards and will provide us data if they are above the standard, and how high above, or below and how far below because the testing is computer adaptive, and will adjust questions based on student answers to the questions. This will allow the teachers to know exactly where each student is. We want to use our half days as full RTI days, to be able to focus directly on the area of need. Staff member of the month is Robin Alcorn, she is managing the smarter balanced for the entire district. We wanted to recognize her for taking on this job. Ms. Saldana asked if the STAR 360 program is just at the Jr/Sr. High? Or is this K-12 and we are adding testing at the Elementary. Mr. Hannah stated this is K-12, we will continue to use DIBELS at the Elementary as well. We will use STAR 360 to correlate scores as they go into the Jr/Sr. High School. This will give the teachers questions that need to be worked on as well as instructional guidance. Ms. Pat Saldana asked if the syllabus is just at the Jr/Sr. High? Mr. Hannah stated yes, just the Jr/Sr. High.

Mr. Josh Brooks, Principal Report. Is at softball state, Mr. Hannah gave the board a report of how the girls are doing, they won their first game and lost the second.

Mr. Josh Stoney, Vice Principal Report. Culture and climate, Mr. Stoney wanted to point out how hard are teachers are working. We are down to a little over 1 referral per day compared to 2.25 last year and over 6 the year before. This is because teachers are using different types of interventions such as calling home. We haven't made it back to 20 days without a referral, but have made it to 5 and 10 days. Restorative Justice is very positive. Community involvement, students went to WE Day, this was very positive. The students will be meeting next week to discuss creating a WE Club for next year. We just held ASB Elections, these were very positive. Mr. Stoney went through the new officers in Jr High and High School. Mr. Stoney read a speech from Sarah Smith who ran unopposed for social chair, but had a very moving speech. Mr. Hannah stated this group would like to go to the legislature and ask for more support for funding schools. They are also working on fundraising for the AWSP Leadership Camp. Mrs. Betty Huchison asked what the funding was for this. Mr. Stoney stated around $400.00, for a total of 12 students. Mrs. Krolczyk stated maybe we could just send at least one student. Mr. Hannah stated if we could send as many as we could. We have one student who was in a one-on-one behavioral plan at the beginning of the year who is now attending a full day and is now the treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve Resolution No. 2014-15/10 Policy Governance

Mrs. Betty Huchison made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-15/10 Policy Governance. Mrs. Krishna Eveland seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. Mr. Don Powell stated this is unfortunate timing for us to make this decision and pass this project along to the next group, but sounds overall positive. Mrs. Huchison stated she has heard very positive things from Centralia College who has adopted this. Mr. Hannah stated he will be working with Ms. Saldana to get this started so we can begin work at the working sessions. The vote carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve the Listed Certificated Staff Renewals

Mr. Don Powell made a motion to approve/renew the following Certificated staff Mr. Derrek Berkompas, Mrs. Beth Caskey, Mrs. Ella Dopiriak, Mrs. Jackie Dunlap Mrs. Teresa Fagin, Mrs. Polly Fuchs, Mrs. Kathleen Henderson, Mrs. Nikki Johnston, Mrs. Rhonda Krolczyk, Mr. Brad Nelson, Ms. Taryn Veloni, Ms. Amanda West, Mrs. Robin Wright, and Mrs. Kim Inocencio. Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

Mr. Warren Dunlap arrived just after the final motion for item 9.1.

Approve Mrs. Jordan Royle Certificated Position TBD

Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to approve Mrs. Jordan Royle in a certificated position TBD, Mr. Don Powell seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

Approve Letter of Retirement from Mrs. Wendy Kenny, Cook

Mr. Don Powell made a motion to approve the letter of retirement from Mrs. Wendy Kenny. Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 5-0.

Approve the Listed Coaching Renewal/Changes

Mr. Don Powell made a motion to approve the following coaching changes/renewals:

- Mr. Tony Gillispie, Head High School Boys Basketball Coach
- Mr. Chad Cramer, Assistant High School Boys Basketball Coach
- Mr. Tom Griffith, Head High School Girls Basketball Coach
- Mr. Bryan Delong, Head Junior High Boys Basketball Coach
- Mr. Travis Merriman, Assistant Junior High Boys Basketball Coach
- Mrs. Shaleesa Gillispie, Assistant Junior High Girls Basketball Coach
- Mrs. Tamara Christian, Head High School Cheer Coach
- Mrs. Terri Mays, Assistant High School Cheer Coach
- Letter of Resignation From Mr. Chad Cramer, Head Junior High Football

Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 5-0.

Approve Summer Athletic Programs
Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to approve the summer athletic programs. Mr. Warren Dunlap seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. A vote of 5-0.

Approve School Calendar/MEA Language
Mr. Don Powell made a motion to approve the 2015-16 school calendar and the perpetual calendar language. Mrs. Krishna Eveland seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 5-0.

First Reading of the New/Revised Policies/Procedures
The board completed the first reading of the new/revised policies and procedures.

Approve resolution for canceled warrant and resolution for the WIAA.
Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to approve the resolutions, Mr. Don Powell seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 5-0.

Mr. Dana Anderson and the ESD 113
Mr. Dana Anderson the ESD 113 Superintendent and Mr. Rick Anthony the board member at the ESD. Mr. Anthony stated he is our representative of 8 school districts including Morton for the ESD 113. We are trying to make an effort to visit all of the districts within the ESD 113 and hoping to make that goal by July. Mr. Anthony wanted to let the board know that they can contact him at any time for questions. Mr. Dana Anderson provided handouts to the board. Mr. Anderson explained what the ESD is. There are roughly 67000 students in the ESD 113 district. The Association of Educational Service Districts which is a partnership between all of the ESDs. This way we can partner with all the ESDs to support strengths of different ESDs. Mr. Anderson explained the impact of the ELA, Math and Science instructional support staff on students. Mr. Anderson explained the communications campaign and the relationship they are working to build with the ESD board and the school boards. About 2% of the fund for the ESD is from the state, the rest of the funding is from federal programs, grants and fee for service. For every $1.00 received to the ESD, they provided $43.00 in services to our districts. In the accountability report, there are listed the counties, districts in the counties and programs that are offered from the ESD. Mr. Anderson expressed the amount of success this district has had, he stated it is exciting to see we are the lighthouse of the county. He thanked the board for letting the ESD be apart and support the success of this district. Mr. Warren Dunlap stated he taught drivers education for 44 years. He noticed the year Morton became involved in the ESD provided traffic saftey, he asked about the document Mr. Anderson provided, and if the ESD provided the teacher for that service as well, Mr. Anderson stated yes, we provide the teacher, vehicle, instruction material, etc. Mr. Hannah stated we have contracted to provide traffic safety again this summer. Mr. Dan Steward that was our instructional coach last year is now in charge of the Traffic Safety program at the ESD. Mr. Warren Dunlap asked if we are working with Mossyrock as well, Mr. Hannah stated yes and White Pass. Ms. Pat Saldana thanked Mr. Anderson and Mr. Anthony for joining us.

BOARD MEMBER REPORT: Mrs. Krishna Eveland put it out that it is time for graduation to decide who would like to read names and handout diplomas? Mr. Warren Dunlap would like to hand out the diplomas, Ms. Pat Saldana will call the names. Mr. Don Powell will retire in 5 more years, and hopefully be able to do the fun board things.

Ms. Pat Saldana stated at this election there are 3 positions available, Ms. Pat Saldana has put in, Mr. Chase Buffington has put in for district 1, and the only one open is Mr. Don Powell's district (district 2) which no one has put in for. If no one files, at the start of the year, that position is considered vacant. We would put in the paper an ad that we are looking for someone to fill the position. If no one fills that position, the ESD board representative would fill the position. Mr. Don Powell stated that is unless he puts in a resignation. Mr. Hannah stated that is not how the law or policy is written. The board discussed the boundary for this district.

Mrs. Betty Huchison stated there was a clean-up in the community for the weekend. She stated there were a lot of students and community members that came.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJORNMENT: Mrs. Krishna Eveland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm. Mrs. Betty Huchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board Chairman

Attest: Board Secretary

Board Member

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