

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**December 7, 2015**

The Board of Education of the Independent School District of West Burlington held a special meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in the board room at 607 Ramsey, West Burlington. Presiding over the meeting was President Hockett with members Day, Boughton and Crowner answering roll call. Member Fry was absent.

**Miscellaneous Communication:** Jay let the board know about the positive feedback he has received regarding the assemblies held at both schools for Veteran's Day.

Mr. Schmitt reminded the board about the Bridges Out of Poverty workshop on December 16 and that he would like to have a board representative attend if possible.

**State Senator Tom Courtney and State Representative Dennis Cohoon:** Senator Courtney was unable to attend. Representative Cohoon stated that the REC will be meeting on December 10 with projections for the next quarter. They will use these projections to help determine the budget for the next year. Some of the topics to be discussed will be the shortfall in Medicaid and allowable growth for education.

Some of the topics the board talked to Representative Cohoon about were putting control of the start date back to the local districts, although he stated that he didn't see that happening any time soon. They also discussed setting allowable growth for 2 years within the 30 day window it should be done and while he agrees it should be done in a timely manner, he feels it won't be happening again this year. They board discussed the Teacher Leadership dollars and they would like to see the SAVE dollars follow open enrolled students.

**Bond Counsel Engagement Agreement with Ahlers & Cooney, PC:** Motion by Day and seconded by Boughton to approve the agreement with Ahlers & Cooney as bond counsel. Motion carried 4-0.

**Approximately \$2,805,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services, and Use Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016**

**Consideration of Financing Proposals Opened and Reviewed by the Superintendent of Schools, Secretary of the Board and the Placement Agent:** Travis Squires, from Piper Jaffray attended the meeting to explain the proposals to the board. BB&T Government Finance of Charlotte, NC had the lowest interest rate of 2.49%. This would be an approximate savings of \$229,000 over the next 14 years of the loan or about \$16,350 per year.

**Resolution Directing Sale:** Motion by Day and seconded by Crowner to adopt the resolution directing the sale of approximately \$2,800,000 school infrastructure sales, services, and use tax revenue refunding bonds, series, 2016. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Crowner and seconded by Day to approve the sale of the bonds to BB&T Government Financial. Motion carried 4-0.

**Selected Personnel Issues:** There were the following resignations:

High School Science – Marc Miller has resigned his position as HS science instructor due to health reasons.

HS Asst. Football – Aaron Brown has resigned his position as HS assistant football coach.

There were the following recommendations:

HS Girls Basketball Cheerleading – It's recommended that Ali Riley be hired for this position at a salary of \$1080.28 (D,2).

JH Girls Basketball Coach – It's recommended that Jason Marlow be hired for this position at a salary of \$2006.23 (D,0).

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A motion was made by Day to accept everything except Aaron Brown's resignation as he would like to find out why he was resigning and ask him to reconsider. The motion died for lack of a second.

The board asked Mr. Schmitt to speak with Mr. Brown for additional information regarding the resignation.

Motion by Crowner and seconded by Boughton to approve the hirings and resignations as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Day and seconded by Boughton to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

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Date Approved

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Secretary

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President