

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL/FINANCE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2008, 7:00 P.M.  
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL, ROOM # 105**

The Special/Finance Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. All Board members were present except Mead and Setchell. Also present were Quintin Shepherd, Carol Schnaiter and Judi Callison.

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Superintendent Shepherd reviewed the March financial reports. He said there is concern regarding delay of the special education payments and the fact that the money may not be available. Plans are underway to move Working Cash interest to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. State and federal grants are being monitored and spent through accordingly. Building expenditures and the Operations & Maintenance Fund were reviewed and are on track, according to Shepherd. The newly revised Tort Fund compliance was discussed and Superintendent Shepherd explained the pros and cons implementing the new system. In closing, Shepherd said, currently, the budget is 74% spent through, which is good shape. Fuel expenses were also discussed. Trips are being limited to educational trips.

The 2008-2009 Fee Schedule was reviewed. Discussion centered on the driver's education, student parking, participation and IVHS fees. Superintendent Shepherd will gather information with regard to fees charged by schools of similar population to Amboy and make a recommendation for the next board meeting.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Stephenitch to reject all bids for unit ventilator replacement at Amboy High School. After considering several options, it was decided the best approach would be to re-bid the project at a later date. By doing so, more money will be available with the idea that a larger project might result in a cost savings. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The Community Relations Administrative Procedures for Use of Facilities was discussed. A committee consisting of Reed Akre, Bob Olson, Paul Smith and Quintin Shepherd was established for the purpose of identification of organizations that should be deemed as school organizations. The committee perceived that groups will be considered school organizations that are (1) managed or led by school employees (and/or) (2) comprised of 50% (or more) of Amboy students. These groups will not have to meet the requirement for provision of insurance and will be considered school sponsored. Fees for facility use will be set at the time of application. The Superintendent will exercise discretion when reviewing the application for use of school facilities.

The 2008-2009 school board meeting dates were reviewed and will be voted on at the next meeting.

At 8:40 p.m., a motion was made by Olson and seconded by Stephenitch to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of (1) appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; and (2) collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 9:25 p.m. a motion was made by Flessner and seconded by Stephenitch to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Flessner and seconded by Stephenitch to approve employment of Sarah Tweet as Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor at Amboy High School, effective for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Flessner to approve employment of Eric Riva as Assistant Principal and Athletic Director at Amboy High School, effective for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Akre to approve the Summer Cleaning, Painting and Bus Garage worker schedules, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made at 9:27 p.m. by Flessner and seconded by Akre to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas E. Mead, Secretary

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Mark Becker, President

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