

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
AURORA REORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICT VIII**

The Board of Education of the Aurora Reorganized School District VIII, Lawrence County, State of Missouri, held the tax rate hearing at 6:18 p.m., followed by closed session at 6:28 p.m. followed by open session at 7:00 p.m. followed by closed session at 7:41 p.m. on Monday, August 24, 2020, in the Aurora R-VIII Central Office Board Room, 201 S. Madison Ave.

Present:	Grant Baker; Jeramie Grosenbacher; Steve McCulloch; Mark McCully; Chantil Miller; Scott Welch; Kate Hughes, BOE Secretary; Billy Redus, Superintendent of Schools.
Visitors:	David Mais, Assistant Superintendent Brenda Lakin, Special Education Director
<u>TAX RATE HEARING:</u>	
1. Call to Order:	Mr. Grosenbacher called the tax rate hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.
Adoption of the Agenda:	Mr. McCully made the motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
2. Presentation of Proposed Levy:	Dr. Redus went over the assessed valuation for Lawrence and Barry counties and explained the proposed tax rates for the 2020-2021 school year.
a. 2020-2021 Assessed Valuation:	Assessed Valuation for the 2020-2021 school year is \$121,798,176.
b. 2019-2020 Assessed Valuation:	Assessed Valuation for the 2019-2020 school year was \$120,996,214.
c. Tax Rate Totals Approved by State Auditor:	Tax rate totals were calculated by the State Auditor, and if approved by the Board, will be used for the 2020-2021 school year.
d. Temporary Levy:	The temporary levy passed before the building of the High School will

	expire at the end of 2025. Since the district rolls up the tax rate to \$2.75 based on Amendment 2, the temporary levy does not add to the overall collection of funds.
e. Implement Amendment 2:	Recommendation to implement Amendment 2 to adjust the tax rate ceiling up to the State Minimum of \$2.75.
f. Incidental Fund Levy:	Recommendation to approve the incidental fund levy at \$2.7500 per \$100 A/V.
g. Teachers Fund Levy:	Recommendation to approve the teachers fund levy at \$0.0000 per \$100 A/V.
h. Debt Service Fund Levy:	Recommendation to approve the debt service fund levy at \$1.0500 per \$100 A/V.
i. Capital Projects Fund Levy:	Recommendation moved to approve the capital projects fund levy at \$0.0000 per \$100 A/V.
j. Total Levy:	Recommendation to approve the total levy (all funds) at \$3.8000 per \$100 A/V.
3. Public Comments:	There were no public comments at this time.
4. Adjourn Tax Rate Hearing:	Mr. Grosenbacher adjourned the tax rate hearing at 6:28 p.m.
1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:	
	Mr. Grosenbacher made a motion that the Board enter into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (Section 1, 3, and 17) of the Missouri Revised Statutes. This closed session occurred during the Board of Education's meeting on August 24, 2020, at 6:28 p.m. at the Aurora R-VIII Central Office Board Room. Mr. McCully seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Hiring:	
<i>Grounds:</i>	Discussion to continue employment for Colin Wilson as a full-time assistant for grounds and maintenance.

<i>Bus Drivers:</i>	Recommendation to hire two additional drivers for the district - Tiffany Bekemeier and John Lilburn. Mr. McCulloch made the motion to hire Tiffany Bekemeier and John Lilburn as bus drivers. Mr. Baker seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Move Out of Closed Session:	Mr. Grosenbacher motioned to move out of closed session at 6:54 p.m. Mr. McCulloch seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Visitors:	Macheal McCully Shawn Hines Chad Clifford Tracy Clifford Amanda Hall
1. <u>REGULAR OPEN SESSION:</u>	
INTRODUCTION:	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jeramie Grosenbacher. The Board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Adoption of the Agenda:	Mrs. Miller made the motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. McCulloch seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
2. CONSENT AGENDA:	Mr. Grosenbacher moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. McCully seconded the motion. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

	<p>a. Approved minutes from the regular meetings on June 8 and July 27, 2020.</p> <p>b. Approved the expenditures in the amount of \$574,907.66.</p> <p>c. Approved the Clark Center Memorandum of Understanding.</p> <p>d. Approved the Suicide Prevention-Intervention Plan.</p> <p>e. Approved the Personnel Guide - Bus Driver.</p> <p>f. Approved the Local Compliance Plan Certification.</p> <p>g. Approved the Special Education Report.</p>
	<p>Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None</p>
3. OLD BUSINESS:	
a. Facility Use for the School Year:	Discussion was made regarding allowing facility usage for outside teams and activities. All requirements regarding hygiene and health must be maintained to match school district guidelines.
4. NEW BUSINESS:	
a. MSBA Policies/Procedures /Forms - Title IX Requirements - First Reading:	The policy (ACA) and forms following are a result of the release of new Title IX regulations that drastically change the definition of and process for resolving allegations of sexual harassment, but only as it relates to Title IX.
b. MSBA Policies/Procedures - First Reading:	<p>The Board received copies of new MSBA policies, procedures and forms for their first reading. The following were included in this reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ BBFA - Board Member Conflict of Interest and Financial Disclosure/GBCA - Staff Conflict of Interest ➤ DC - Taxing and Borrowing Authority and Limitations ➤ DC-AP1 - Taxing and Borrowing Authority and Limitations (Bond Compliance)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DFI - Setting Tuition for District Programs ➤ DJF - Purchasing ➤ GBAD and GBAD-AP1 - Telework ➤ GBCBA - Employee Walkouts, Strikes and Other Disruptions ➤ GBEBB - Employee Alcohol and Drug Testing ➤ GBEBB-AP3 - Employee Alcohol and Drug Testing (Driver Testing Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse) ➤ GCBA - Professional Staff Compensation ➤ IC - Academic Calendar ➤ IHB - Class Size ➤ IKF - Graduation Requirements ➤ JCB - Transfers within the District ➤ JCC - Transfers outside the District ➤ JECA - Eligibility to Enroll ➤ JFCL-AP1 - A+ Schools Program ➤ JFG - Searches of Students and JFG-AP1 - Searches of Students ➤ JFGA - Interviews with or Removal of Students ➤ JG - Student Discipline ➤ GBCB-AP1 - Staff Conduct - Dress Code ➤ JHCB - Immunization of Students
c. MSBA Resolution to Suspend Policies to Align with COVID-19 Emergency Legislation and Waivers:	<p>MSBA recommends approving a resolution on suspending policy to align with COVID-19 Emergency Legislation and Waivers until December 31, 2020.</p> <p>Mrs. Miller made the motion to approve the resolution on suspending policy to align with COVID-19 Emergency Legislation and Waivers. Mr. Welch seconded the motion.</p>
	<p>Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None</p>
d. Audit 2019-2020:	<p>The audit was completed on August 20, 2020. There were no significant findings.</p>
e. Facilities Committee:	<p>Discussion was made regarding the previous work completed by the</p>

	committee and the follow-up activities to be conducted in the future.
f. Implement Amendment 2:	Mr. McCully moved to implement Amendment 2 to adjust the tax rate ceiling up to the State Minimum of \$2.75. Mr. McCulloch seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
g. Incidental Fund Levy:	Mr. Grosenbacher moved to approve the incidental fund levy at \$2.7500 per \$100 A/V. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
h. Teachers Fund Levy:	Mr. Baker moved to approve the teachers fund levy at \$0.0000 per \$100 A/V. Mr. McCully seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
i. Debt Service Fund Levy:	Mrs. Miller moved to approve the debt service fund levy at \$1.0500 per \$100 A/V. Mr. McCulloch seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
j. Capital Projects Fund Levy:	Mr. Welch moved to approve the capital projects fund levy at \$0.0000 per \$100 A/V. Mr. Baker seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
k. Total Levy:	Mr. McCully moved to approve the total levy (all funds) at \$3.8000 per \$100 A/V. Mr. Grosenbacher seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None

5. REPORTS:	Reports were reviewed by the Board of Education.
Adjourn:	Mr. Grosenbacher adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.
Motion to go into Closed Session:	Mr. Grosenbacher made a motion that the Board enter into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (Section 1, 3 and 17) of the Missouri Revised Statutes. This closed session occurred during the Board of Education’s meeting on August 24, 2020, at 7:41 p.m. at the Aurora R-VIII Central Office Board Room. Mr. McCulloch seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Resignation:	
<i>JH Paraprofessional:</i>	Resignation was received from Lisa Baker, paraprofessional, for the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. Grosenbacher made the motion to accept Lisa Baker’s resignation. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: Baker
<i>Sporting Chance sponsor:</i>	Resignation was received from Maria Campbell, Sporting Chance sponsor. Mr. McCulloch made the motion to accept Maria Campbell’s resignation as Sporting Chance sponsor. Mr. Grosenbacher seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Hiring:	
<i>Sporting Chance sponsor:</i>	Recommendation to hire Tabatha Looney as the Sporting Chance sponsor for the 2020-2021 school year.

	Mr. McCully made the motion to hire Tabatha Looney as the Sporting Chance sponsor. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
<i>Personnel Issue:</i>	Discussion was made regarding a district employee.
Hiring:	
<i>Virtual Educator Extra Duty Assignments:</i>	Recommendation to hire the virtual educators as presented as well as hiring those as needed due to increased virtual enrollment. Mr. Baker made the motion to hire the virtual educators as presented as well as hiring those as needed due to increased virtual enrollment. Mr. McCully seconded the motion.
	Yeas: Baker, Grosenbacher, McCulloch, McCully, Miller, Welch Nays: None Abstentions: None
Adjourn:	Mr. Grosenbacher adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.
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