

1. A duly advertised regular meeting of the Board of Education and a 1028 Hearing concerning Morgan Elementary school renovation project was called to order by President Ron Coleman at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria.
2. Secretary Gary Byrne polled the Board and found that Mr. Buddy Bosler, Mr. Fred Naegele, Mr. Ron Coleman were present.

1028 HEARING

3. School Board Attorney Mr. David Layson and Superintendent Phil Partenheimer explained the purpose of the 1028 Hearing.
4. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer explained the last renovation to Morgan Elementary School was in 1975. He stated there is a disparity between buildings at North Harrison Elementary and Morgan Elementary. The crowded conditions at Morgan Elementary have caused Special Education to meet in a book storage room. The next 3 (three) years will mean 3 (three) to 4 (four) portables.
5. Mr. Don Neal and Mr. John Hawkins of Kovert Hawkins Architects gave a presentation on Morgan Elementary School.
6. Mr. Keith Jones stated this renovation is an investment. School enrollment will increase. This should be a community effort to push forth development in Harrison County. There is no better time than the present to make upgrades.
7. Mr. Greg Rupp stated teachers and students do need a new building responding to growth but you state we are losing students. Don't use the Rainy Day Fund. This is killing our chances for a mediator to find a solution if you use the Rainy Day Fund.
8. Mr. Daniel Haskell, a teacher at North Harrison Middle School and taxpayer stated put the annex back in use at North Harrison Community School. Closing North Harrison Upper Elementary and moving students back to the elementary was not a wise move. Move the 5th and 6th graders to the annex then the elementary would have more room. Look at the Middle School it needs work and needs to be updated. He urged this Board to look at a plan for the future.
9. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated those comments do not address the students at North Harrison Elementary and Morgan Elementary. Last week it was stated to make the gym at the Elementary bigger but not fix the Morgan building. The facility at Morgan Elementary is inadequate. Moving to another worn out building is not the solution.
10. Mr. Dan Haskell inquired if moving the 5th and 6th grade students to the main complex had been considered.
11. Mr. Gary Byrne stated overcrowding and kindergarten and enrollment is down but the Elementary is gaining. The building was built in 1959. He doesn't want to spend one dime for moving students.
12. Mr. Dan Haskell stated then build a new 5th and 6th grade building.
13. Morgan Elementary Principal Lance Richards stated he has the best staff in the corporation and the best school. If he has papers to give the teacher he has to present them to the student at the back of the classroom to pass to the teacher due to not being able to get to the front of the room. Some of the students at the end of the lunch line do not have time to eat. When they sit down the lunch period is almost over. He has multiple safety and security issues. He has needs at Morgan Elementary that need to be met.
14. Mr. Keith Jones inquired what do our schools anticipate in the future from the government.
15. Mr. John Hawkins of Kovert Hawkins stated the federal government is getting more involved. It depends on who is elected.
16. Mr. Greg Rupp stated he did not say Morgan Elementary shouldn't be renovated just pay for it a different way. He is also a taxpayer and property owner.
17. Mr. Gary Byrne stated you don't want us to use the Rainy Day Fund.

18. Mr. Greg Rupp stated that is correct not until bargaining is over.
19. Mr. Gary Byrne stated don't use the Rainy Day Fund for raises.
20. Mr. Greg Rupp stated not until the bargaining process is complete.
21. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated at the January 14, 2003 Board meeting Mr. Rupp sent a letter to former Board member, Mrs. Kathy Mott stating that Morgan Elementary needed more room.
22. Mr. Greg Rupp stated that is correct.
23. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated the state develops funds that pay for schools. If money is taken out of the Rainy Day Fund for wages then we would need to do this every year.
24. Mr. Gary Byrne stated the General Fund is mainly state funded.
25. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated in 2009 the General Fund will be completely state funded.
26. Mr. Gary Byrne stated the teachers are paid out of the General Fund.
27. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated yes.
28. Mr. Gary Byrne stated the Rainy Day Fund comes from local taxpayers.
29. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated 100% comes from the local taxpayers.
30. Mr. Gary Byrne stated it would burden the local taxpayers.
31. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated yes.
32. Morgan Elementary teacher Mrs. Liz Kramer stated she has taught for 29 years and during this conversation she heard the word burden come up. Are the people that care for your children a burden?
33. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer and Mr. Gary Byrne stated no.
34. Mrs. Liz Kramer stated you should take care of your employees.
35. Mr. Gary Byrne stated he did not mean the teachers are not important. The state funds your salary.
36. Mrs. Liz Kramer stated we have worked hard all these years. She has felt good to raise her children here but something is missing from the heart. We have went 4 (four) long years without a raise.
37. Mr. Gary Byrne stated my intention is not against the teachers. The state tells us what we get and this is how we pass it around.
38. Mrs. Janice Sauerheber inquired if the state was not giving us money.
39. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated the state has a formula that determines how we get money based on how many students we have on free and reduced lunches. Our problem is we are stable but slightly losing or gaining. If we lose 10 students then we lose money. We lose \$5500.00 per student.
40. Mrs. Janice Sauerheber stated are we getting enough money and could this be settled or is the money not coming in the reason.
41. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated the money isn't coming.
42. Mr. Gary Byrne stated the bargain update in 2000-2001 in the general fund stated \$800,000. The insurance has increased and the money from the state does not cover health insurance. We want to give you raises but if we do then there would be a RIF.
43. Mr. James Goldman stated there has been a 1% cap by the state.
44. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated the cap was 1% of property value. We raised \$2.2 million in local levy to fund the General Fund. We are asking \$1 million a year to fund project. You will have a net gain.

45. Mr. Jerry Renneker stated a lot of emotional issues involved when you have a contract issue. It will look odd to continue with new projects with contract not settled.
46. Mr. Dan Haskell stated many people have valid concerns. Is there another plan that could be used because it seems like this is being rushed. This seems like a worse time to increase taxes.
47. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated if the project is held for 1 (one) year it will be more costly to the taxpayers.
48. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve the 1028 resolution. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
49. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated if the bond is for \$10 million but we only need \$4 million how does that work.
50. Ms. Irwin-Knott from Umbough Associates stated this is the max payment and top dollars. If you borrow the lower amount then it will lower the payment.
51. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated with no penalties.
52. Ms. Irwin-Knott from Umbough Associates stated that is correct.
53. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to approve the Preliminary Hearing. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
54. Mr. Ron Coleman stated can we give Mr. Greg Rupp information on the remonstrance.
55. North Harrison Community School Attorney, Mr. Dave Layson stated he will give him the information.
56. The 1028 Hearing ended at 9:17 p.m..
57. Mr. Buddy Bosler moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve the corrected minutes of the April 10, 2008 meeting. In line #42 it should have read; Mr. Gary Byrne stated we are an older staff. The state doesn't look at the age of our teachers and give us more money. The state decides what goes into the general fund: In line #112 it should have read; Mr. Gary Byrne stated if we could get our general fund budget in better order and we had the room then we could hire more teachers. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
58. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve merchant claims #542 through #687 and the payroll for May 23 and June 6, 2008 and Summer School payrolls for June 12 and June 26, 2008. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
59. Mr. Gary Byrne inquired if the General Fund still below due to the loan.
60. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated taxes were supposed to be paid this week. That is correct.
61. Mr. Donnie Timberlake of James L. Shireman Inc gave an update on North Harrison Elementary School building project. It is going good. The floor on the west end is 50% complete. The drywall is 90% complete on the east wing. The staff is great to work with.
62. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer inquired are we on time.
63. Mr. Donnie Timberlake stated yes.
64. Mr. Gary Byrne inquired is the water on the roof any problem.
65. Mr. Donnie Timberlake stated when it rains there is still some concerns but we will work through them.
66. Mr. Fred Naegele inquired about the coating on the wing.
67. Mr. Mark Shireman of James L. Shireman Inc, stated yes.
68. Mr. Ron Coleman inquired why the Elementary doesn't look like the picture at the superintendent's office.

69. Mr. Jerry Firestone of RQAW stated the drawing was early in the project and things change. We had worked with Mr. Mark Shireman and changed the slant of the roof. You don't see much of the blue roof. This saved money.
70. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated how much money was saved.
71. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated he did not know the dollar amount.
72. Mr. Mark Shireman stated he did not know the dollar amount.
73. Mr. Gary Byrne inquired who made that decision.
74. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated it was our decision.
75. Mr. Gary Byrne stated you did a good job.
76. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated he was looking at the best interest of the taxpayers.
77. Mr. Gary Byrne inquired why did you present it that way. You weren't worried about the cost of the project.
78. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated he was worried about the price all along. He wanted everyone to see the idea and concept. Mr. Mark Shireman wasn't involved in the early process.
79. Mr. Gary Byrne stated he receives a lot of complaints on the roof.
80. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated he did not like the color.
81. Mr. Gary Byrne stated it is not the color on the picture.
82. Mr. Fred Naegele stated Mr. Donnie Timberlake showed him that very little of that color shows. I agree with the Board that isn't the color he thought it would be. I don't hold you responsible but it isn't a pretty picture.
83. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated we didn't know what it would look like.
84. Mr. Fred Naegele stated they went by the contract.
85. Mr. Donnie Timberlake stated they are part of the structure and they can't be removed. We have been trying to come up with an option.
86. Mr. Gary Byrne stated then you don't think it looks right either.
87. Mr. Donnie Timberlake stated he just builds them.
88. Mr. Jerry Firestone stated he will take all responsibility for the look.
89. Mr. Fred Naegele stated cost did drive a lot of decisions in this project.
90. Mr. Buddy Bosler agreed cost did control of lot of decisions.
91. Mr. Gary Byrne stated we didn't get our moneys worth.
92. Mr. Buddy Bosler moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve the resignations of Mrs. Terry Mosier as Middle School Academic Coach effective the end of 07-08 school year; Mrs. Madonna Taylor as Middle School Student Council Sponsor effective the end of the 07-08 school year; Mrs. Marla Adams as High School Academic Advisor effective the end of the 07-08 school year; Mrs. Judy Johnson as High School Academic Advisor effective May 5, 2008; Miss Joan Martin as High School Academic Advisor effective May 6, 2008; Mr. Tony Rowe as High School Junior Class Sponsor effective the end of the 07-08 school year; and Mr. Jason Stephenson as Middle School Boy's Track Coach (lay) effective end of the 07-08 season. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
93. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Mrs. Terry Mosier as High School Drama Sponsor effective 08-09 school year; Mr. Stewart Wenning as summer position with technology department; Mr. John Atkins as High School Assistant Baseball Coach (lay); and Mr. Andy Thomas as summer grounds help \$8.00 hour. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

94. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated it should be Mr. John Atkins not Mr. John Adkins. Stewart Wenning will receive the same pay as the summer grounds help at \$8.00 hour.
95. Assistant Treasurer Mrs. Judy Jeffries stated no. Mr. Stewart Wenning has worked for North Harrison before and was paid \$9.68 per hour.
96. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve the appointment for Summer School. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote. See attached listing.
97. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired if anyone was left off the Summer School list we could add.
98. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated this is so they will get paid.
99. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated we have left off employees in the past.
100. Mr. Buddy Bosler moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to approve the donations of \$500.00 to North Harrison High School Chorus from Wal-Mart Community Foundation; \$500.00 to Morgan Elementary from Kohl's; \$600.00 to Morgan Elementary from First Harrison Bank for Conner Prairie field trip; and \$600.00 to North Harrison Elementary from First Harrison Bank for Science Fair field trip. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
101. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired no match is required on these donations.
102. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated that is correct.
103. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve the revisions for the North Harrison High School 2008-09 Handbook. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
104. North Harrison High School Principal Mr. Kelly Simpson stated corrections are made every year. Money can be saved if handbook is ordered by May 23, 2008.
105. Mr. Fred Naegele inquired if the change in Physical Education was a state requirement.
106. Mr. Kelly Simpson stated that is correct.
107. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired about the 3rd time a cell phone is taken from a student.
108. Mr. Kelly Simpson explained the cell phone rule.
109. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer inquired how often is a cell phone taken from a student.
110. Mr. Kelly Simpson stated it has happened 2 (two) times this last school year.
111. Mr. Kelly Simpson stated we have had this policy for 2 (two) years.
112. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated it is not a bad policy but, there are times when exceptions need to be made. He went through this with his son.
113. Mr. Gary Byrne stated he appreciated Mr. Kelly Simpson sending this to the Board early.
114. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve permission to advertise for bids on school food commodities, milk, bread, and fuel products for 2008-09 school year. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
115. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired when the bids will be complete.
116. Assistant Superintendent Ken Oppel stated the June Board meeting.
117. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired how North Harrison went through an extra \$30,000 of fuel oil.
118. Maintenance Director Mr. Jeff Brown stated it is based on the winter. The boilers at Morgan Elementary are bigger and they use more fuel.

119. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve permission to apply for Title I funds. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
120. Assistant Superintendent Ken Oppel stated Title I is a federal program.
121. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve the increase for High School lunch price to \$2.25. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
122. Mr. Buddy Bosler asked Mr. Kelly Simpson did we raise lunch prices last year.
123. Mr. Kelly Simpson stated yes, it increased \$.10.
124. Mr. Buddy Bosler inquired if the balance in the High School cafeteria the same or growing.
125. Mr. Kelly Simpson stated it is growing.
126. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve the upgrade to Football Practice Field \$23,555, excavation of HS/MS football practice fields \$16, 800. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
127. Mr. Ron Coleman stated you showed us a plan to do these improvements but he didn't realize it would happen this fast.
128. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated Athletic Director Mr. Rick Gunter wanted to start on this as soon as possible.
129. Mr. Ron Coleman stated this is more money we are going to spend.
130. Mr. Buddy Bosler stated he also agreed with Mr. Ron Coleman. He thought it was a long range plan.
131. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated we would like to see this building for the youth of our community. Currently they don't meet the standards or regulations.
132. Mr. Gary Byrne stated it is more of a safety issue. It comes out of Capital Projects Fund not the General Fund. It is a good investment.
133. Assistant Superintendent Ken Oppel stated last year we put up a fence.
134. Mr. Fred Naegele inquired what is the difference between the two fields.
135. Assistant Ken Oppel explained the difference.
136. Mr. Ron Coleman inquired if these fields have been used.
137. Mr. Gary Byrne explained the fields are being turned into different directions.
138. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to approve the first reading of the Rainy Day Fund Policy. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
139. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer stated Morgan is well maintained by Mr. Jeff Brown and his staff.
140. Mr. Ron Coleman congratulated Mr. Jerry Renneker and Mr. Michael Beyerle on winning the election. He has been on the Board for 16 years and he left Palmyra with a smile.
141. Mr. Fred Naegele congratulated Mr. Jerry Renneker and Mr. Michael Beyerle on the election. Thanks for the 1028 input. Dr. Ken Oppel asked Mr. Mark Shireman of James L. Shireman Inc. to put together a long range plan for the Middle School Annex. It was decided it was too old to spend money on. It should be bulldozed and grass seed planted. I remember when the Annex had air quality problems. To open the Upper Elementary we would need a principal, 2 (two) secretaries and a counselor that would cost \$400,000. When Dr. Sharon Uhl retired it was in the best interest of our children to save money and close the building.
142. Mr. Dan Haskell stated he would not want his children in the Upper Elementary. What are the other options. Two buildings need major renovations and as a taxpayer I would like to see the long range plan.

143. Assistant Superintendent Ken Oppel stated Mr. Fred Naegele asked me to get a long range plan 2 (two) years ago. I reported back to the Board.
144. Mr. Gary Byrne congratulated Mr. Jerry Renneker and Mr. Michael Beyerle on the election. Thanks to Mr. Michael Beyerle for not using teacher money. You will find real quick perception is not what you may believe it to be. The funds to pay teachers are different. The state has to pay teachers until they make it different.
145. Mr. Ron Coleman inquired did Mr. Ron Snyder really start the mold growing on the pipes.
146. Mr. Dan Haskell stated in a Petri dish.
147. Mr. Buddy Bosler congratulated Mr. Jerry Renneker and Mr. Michael Beyerle on the election. Thanks for coming and have a good night.
148. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Buddy Bosler seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.
149. The meeting adjourned at 10:39 p.m.
150. At 10:55 p.m., the Board met in executive session with Mr. Gary Byrne, Mr. Buddy Bosler, Mr. Fred Naegele, and Mr. Ron Coleman present. Also present were Phil Partenheimer, Ken Oppel, Kelly Simpson, Doug Dodge, Karen Lambertus, Lisa Jones and Lance Richards. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information regarding employees, prospective employees, collective bargaining and pending litigation. The executive session ended at 12:10 a.m. with no action being taken.

President

Secretary