

Monday, August 26, 2013

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for a special board meeting on August 26, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the High School conference room. Board members present were Ted Krienke, Jacque Collison, Kent Hanlin, Robert Hoffmann, Dave Lienemann, and Dan Unseld. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Elementary Principal Adam Patrick, Assistant Principal/Activities Director Johnnie Ostermeyer, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, and about twenty guests.

Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mike Krueger, Tom Kuether, Dave Polt, and Ken Venteicher talked about lowering the levy during the public correspondence portion of the meeting.

Action Item: 2013/2014 Tax Levy

Mr. Steffensen explained the 19.25% increase in valuation this year and the potential loss in state aid funds in the coming years. He recommended that we keep the levy at 1.05 to compensate for the rolling interaction between state aid and property tax. If we left the levy at 1.05 we would see an increase of \$932,434.00 in tax money coming in this year.

Hoffmann moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to lower the levy to 1.03. Voting as follows: Collison-no, Hoffmann-yes, Hanlin-no, Lienemann-yes, Unseld-yes, and Krienke-yes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Hoffmann and seconded by Lienemann to adjourn. Voting unanimous, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be Monday, September 9, 2013 at the High School conference room at 6:00 p.m. This will be a budget hearing with a tax request hearing to follow at 6:15 p.m. The regular meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are open to the public. A current agenda is available in the Superintendent's office at the High School.

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