

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24

PUBLIC HEARING
LEVY FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2011-12
Nov. 21, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Scott Miller
Joseph Pineau
Robert Reding
Lisa Scanio
Chris Stream

BUSINESS MANAGER

Dr. Stephen Johns

TREASURER

Roger Manderscheid

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent
Elizabeth Keefe, Special Services Director
Dr. Cheryl Kucera, Curriculum Director
Marybeth DeLaMar, Principal
Jake Jorgenson, Principal

VISITORS

Deborah Pineau
Renee Marasco
Christie Hutson
Valerie Powley
Sue Stone
David Cain

A Public Hearing by the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn West School, was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Robert Reding. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Scott Miller, Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding, Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Robert Reding gave a short explanation of the levy process and the district's approach to the levy. He asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak regarding the proposed Levy for School Year 2011-12. There was no public comment.

AUDIT PRESENTATION – David Cain was asked to give his Audit Presentation while the Public Hearing remained open.

He reported that the 2011 Operating Expense Per Pupil was \$9,743, \$15 more per student than 2010. Had the average daily attendance remained the same as in 2010, instead of showing a slight decline, the Operating Expense Per Pupil would have shown a reduction of \$166 per student. He also reported that according to Millburn's Fund Financial Statements, the district's expenses were \$333,858 more than its revenue.

According to the audit overview, district revenues were down \$683,000 due to a \$944,000 reduction in state and federal aid partially offset by higher property tax revenues and proceeds on the sale of buses. Expenses are up \$316,000 due to a \$98,000 increase in the

cost of instruction and higher transportation and interest charges. The district remains on the state watch list.

Board Members discussed various aspects of the audit with Mr. Cain including topics such as bonds and bond repayment; definition of a balanced budget; contrasts between cash and accrual accounting; the timing of when revenue is received; challenges in predicting deficits; and planning for the future.

It was noted that Marybeth DeLaMar entered the Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Reding asked again for Public Comment on the proposed Levy for School Year 2011-12. There was none.

A motion was made by Lisa Scanio and seconded by Joseph Pineau to adjourn the Public Hearing. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Robert A. Reding, President
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



December 12, 2011

Chris K. Stream, Secretary
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

Date