

Unapproved Public Hearing Minutes

Dickinson Public Schools
Public Hearing

August 8, 2016; 6:00 p.m.
Central Office Board Room

The Dickinson Public School Board held a public input hearing on August 8, 2016, at the Central Administration Office. Board members present were: President Sarah Ricks, Vice-president Brent Seaks, Mrs. Tanya Rude, Mrs. Kim Schwartz, and Mr. David Wilkie. Administrators present were: Superintendent Douglas Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep, Mr. Jay Hepperle, Dr. Marcus Lewton, Mr. Guy Fridley, Mr. Ron Dockter, Mrs. Dorothy Martinson, Mrs. Sara Streeter, Ms. Sherry Libis, Mrs. Melanie Kathrein. Others present: Ms. Jarris Bergherr, Mrs. Stacy Kilwein, Mr. James Barksdale, Mr. LeRoy Jensen, Mrs. Angie Marsh, Mrs. Twila Petersen, and Ms. Kalsey Stults from the Dickinson Press.

Call to Order – Board President Sarah Ricks called the public input hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. She welcomed all in attendance. She explained that Mr. Reep would provide some information and then the floor would be opened to the audience for input during the public participation portion.

Property Tax Levy - Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep addressed the Board and the audience. He reported the number of mills will stay the same at approximately 23. This should still be one of the lowest of the class A schools. The general fund is projected to be \$250,000 less in revenue than what was received last year. There will be approximately \$1 million less in state foundation aid compared to a year ago. This is due to the hub city oil money that is imputed in 2016-2017 on monies received in 2015-2016. Mr. Reep noted that the Board does not set the values of properties. A home valued at \$250,000 would see an estimated increase in taxes of \$56 a year or \$4.56 per month. President Ricks asked if the Board members had any questions for Assistant Superintendent Reep. There were no questions from the Board.

Public Participation – President Ricks invited members from the audience to come forward for public participation. She made a call twice for public input. There was no public participation from the audience.

Adjournment – At 6:05 p.m. Chair Ricks declared the public hearing adjourned.

Sarah Ricks, Board President

Vince Reep, Business Manager

Twila Petersen, Secretary