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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CAPE GIRARDEAU SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 63
Tuesday, December 4, 2007, 1:00 p.m.
Board of Education Office
301 N. Clark St.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Steve Trautwein, President, Mr. Kyle McDonald – Vice-President, Ms. Laura Sparkman, Ms. Martha Hamilton, Mr. Paul Nenninger, and Mr. Tom Reinagel

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Charles Bertrand

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Diane Howard, Ms. Pat Fanger, Ms. Misty Clifton, Ms. Laverne smith and Mr. John Mehner.

A quorum being present and due notice having been mailed and published, the special session of the Board of Education of Cape Girardeau School District No. 63 was called to order on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 1:06 p.m. by Dr. Steve Trautwein, President.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Hamilton seconded by Mr. McDonald to approve the agenda. The motion carried with a vote of six yeas and zero nays.

Dr. Trautwein welcomed Ms. Pat Fanger as Interim Superintendent.

Tax Rate

Ms. Fanger informed the Board that Ms. Clifton, Director of Finance, would give the background information on the following tax rate motion. Ms. Clifton explained that on August 27, 2007 the Board had approved a tax rate of \$4.16. After contact with the state auditors and the county collector, Ms. Clifton was informed that the total tax rate certified by the Missouri State Auditors for 2007 is \$4.0284, changing the originally approved tax rate of \$4.16. The adjusted tax rate of \$4.0284 is for 2007 only.

The following motion was two-fold in that the Board would be approving a new tax rate of \$4.0284 but also would be approving the redistribution of the Tax Rate monies.

A motion was made by Mr. McDonald and seconded by Mr. Reinagel to set the revised property tax rates (per \$100 assessed valuation) for 2007 as follows:

General Revenue Fund:	\$3.3044
Capital Projects Fund	.1316
Debt Service Fund	<u>.5924</u>
	\$4.0284

The motion carried with six yeas and zero nays.

Information from the Audience

Mr. John Mehner, President of the Cape Chamber of Commerce, asked to speak to the Board concerning the Chapter 100 situation offering tax abatement to a new company considering coming to Cape Girardeau. Mr. Mehner explained that the Inducement Resolution was passed by the City Council at their December 3, 2007 meeting and now all entities involved in the tax abatement would be given specific information concerning the issue.

Mr. Mehner answered questions asked by Ms. Fanger and Board members. Dr. Trautwein thanked Mr. Mehner for being available to inform the Board on this matter.

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58 **At 1:38 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. McDonald and seconded by Mr. Reinagel to adjourn into**
59 **closed session to discuss Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of Particular Employees,**
60 **PR.S.MO 610.021(3) and possibly Legal Action, Causes of Action or Litigation Involving a Public**
61 **Governmental Body R.S. 610.021 (1). The motion carried with six yeas and zero nays.**

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63 **At 3:37 p.m. the Board returned from closed session. Dr. Trautwein stated there was no**
64 **announcement to be made from closed session.**

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66 **Adjournment**

67 **At 3:40 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Nenninger and seconded by Ms. Sparkman to adjourn the**
68 **meeting. The motion carried with six yeas and zero nays.**

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70 **Respectfully Submitted,**

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74 **Laverne Smith**

75 **Secretary to the Board of Education**