

**Bellows Free Academy, Union District #48, and Northwest Technical Center
Board of School Directors**

Special Board Meeting
January 22, 2008

Present for a quorum: Nilda Gonnella-French, Sally Lindberg, Jim Mercier, Bruce Scott, and Al Corey

Administrators: Marilyn Grunewald, Superintendent; Martha Gagner, Acting Business Manager; Geoff Lyons, Assistant Principal; Ned Caron, Principal; Sally Tarr, Director, NWTC; Dennis Hill, Assistant Principal; Laurence Carnahan, Director, Support Services; and Wendy Meunier, Associate Principal

Visitors: Bob Crawford

1. Call to Order: Jim Mercier called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Visitors – Bob Crawford took pictures of the Board for the yearbook.

4. Announced Tuition Rate:

Regular Education tuition rate for fiscal year 2008-2009	\$11,630
Regular Education tuition rate for CIP students for fiscal year 2008-2009	\$ 4,148
Northwest Technical Center tuition rate for fiscal year 2008-2009	\$ 2,685

Al Corey made a motion to approve the FY09 school year tuition rates listed above; Sally Lindberg seconded the motion, with all in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Adopt FY09 Budget – The Board discussed the draft budget.

- Marilyn Grunewald had the total cost for the SRO salary at \$56,049. She also reminded the Board that there were additional costs to BFA including the cost of the officer’s vehicle.
- Jim Mercier suggested that BFA should go with a 15 year bond. It will decrease the budget by \$4,790.
- Al Corey said the youth groups have set higher standards for leadership development. He would like the Board to increase the youth group budget by \$4,500. It was not added to the budget.

After the above discussion the following reductions were made to the budget.

• Bond payment	\$4,790
• SRO	\$10,901

Al Corey made a motion to adopt to adopt the budget in the amount of \$18,084,794; Bruce Scott seconded the motion, with all in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Adopt Warning:

Al Corey made a motion to adopt the warning; Bruce Scott seconded the motion, with all in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

7. Other Business: None.
8. Executive Session: Not needed.

9. Adjournment

Al Corey made the motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.; Sally Lindberg seconded the motion, with all in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Grunewald, Superintendent

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