- 1. A duly advertised regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Mr. Robert Chinn at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria.
- 2. Secretary Gary Byrne polled the Board and found that all members were present.
- 3. Superintendent Phil Partenheimer gave the oath of office to new Board members Mr. Michael Beyerle and Mr. Gerald Renneker.
- 4. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Robert Chinn as Board President. The motion passed with a 4-0-1 vote (Robert Chinn abstained).
- 5. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Michael Beyerle seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Gary Byrne as Board Vice-President. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 6. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Jerry Renneker seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Fred Naegele as Board Secretary. The motion passed with a 4-0-1 vote (Fred Naegele abstained).
- 7. Mr. Beyerle stated he wanted to vote on the Corporation Attorney separate.
- 8. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to appoint Mrs. Sharon Hanen, Corporation Treasurer; Mrs. Judy Jeffries, Assistant Corporation Treasurer; and Mrs. Kathy Chinn as ECA Treasurer. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 9. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to appoint Mr. Dave Layson as Corporation Attorney. The motion passed with a 4-1-0 vote (Mr. Beyerle opposed).
- 10. Mr. Naegele stated there were 2 (two) Board minutes to approve.
- 11. Mr. Chinn stated yes.
- 12. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to approve the corrected minutes of the June 12, 2008 meeting and the June 24, 2008 executive meeting. In line # 215 it should have read; Superintendent Phil Partenheimer discussed the 2007 tax rate. \$1.35 for all 7 (seven) funds not including Debt Services Fund. The rate should have been \$1.13. \$.52 would have come off \$1.13 bringing it to \$.61. Morgan is being funded on \$.79. The North Harrison Elementary is \$14 million. The motion passed with a 4-0-1 vote (Mr. Renneker abstained).
- 13. Mr. Jerry Renneker inquired if Blue River Services were 2 (two) different accounts.
- 14. Dr. Partenheimer stated 1 (one) is for Special Education Preschool. It is fund 5300. The other is for transportation. It is mileage to a parent that provides transportation. It is fund 2400. We are required to provide transportation if a child does not ride a bus to Preschool.
- 15. Dr. Ken Oppel stated it is a state law.
- 16. Mr. Renneker inquired if stated it is broken in 2 (two) funds.
- 17. Dr. Oppel stated due to Special Education students that have certain needs, we are required by law.
- 18. Mr. Renneker stated on the minutes of the June Board meeting it stated the new bus is an activity bus. Is this for the pre-school?
- 19. Dr. Partenheimer stated the new activity bus is paid out of River Boat Funds. It is for Special Education Preschool. Every child will have a seatbelt and it is wheelchair accessible. Blue River has provided transportation, with Pre-school moving to North Harrison Elementary we need to be responsible for transportation.
- 20. Mr. Renneker stated in the minutes it is noted it will be a cost saving.
- 21. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes and no. North Harrison has used Pre-School special education services. We have paid \$38,000 out of transportation. When we pay preschool services out of the transportation fund then it is a savings to the general fund.

- 22. Mr. Renneker stated if the general fund is being picked up by the state then are we going backwards.
- 23. Dr. Partenheimer stated North Harrison Corporation still has a cash balance that we control. It isn't raising the local levy. It will be \$.52 the public will save in assessed evaluation.
- 24. Mr. Renneker inquired on the Ramsey Water invoice. Is the football field included in the Middle School water bill? It is 2 ½ times more than the other buildings.
- 25. Dr. Oppel stated the Middle School pays for the water on the softball field. North Harrison Elementary pays for the water on the football and baseball fields. A new water meter was installed 2 (two) weeks ago.
- 26. Mr. Renneker inquired if this high dollar amount at the Elementary only for the summer.
- 27. Dr. Oppel stated yes. Morgan Elementary pays for the water and electric for the ball fields.
- 28. Mr. Renneker stated they must not water Morgan's fields as much. The kiln from North Harrison Elementary that was sold. Where was it shipped to or is this the new one coming in.
- 29. Dr. Oppel stated it was advertised for surplus property but we received no bids.
- 30. Mr. Renneker stated we had people that wanted to purchase the kiln.
- 31. Dr. Oppel stated they didn't bid.
- 32. Mrs. Tammy Sager stated she would have bid but she wasn't aware that it was advertised for surplus.
- 33. Dr. Oppel stated it was advertised a few months ago.
- 34. Mr. Beyerle inquired about voucher # 960 and # 961. Is this out of grant money?
- 35. Dr. Oppel stated yes.
- 36. North Harrison Elementary Principal Miss. Lisa Jones stated it used to be called Gifted and Talented. They want teachers to be certified in our corporation.
- 37. Mr. Beyerle inquired was it for any teacher and how did you select teachers?
- 38. Miss Jones stated she sent an email to staff to see who was interested.
- 39. Mr. Naegele inquired about fund report. We have a negative balance in fund 9210. Why?
- 40. North Harrison Assistant Treasurer Mrs. Judy Jeffries stated it was a refund issued to a staff member for over payment of federal taxes.
- 41. Mr. Beyerle inquired about voucher # 1053.
- 42. Dr. Partenheimer stated it is a lawsuit that 4 (four) RIF teachers have against North Harrison Community School Corporation. Kelly Belcher & Brown represents North Harrison. They were hired by our own insurance company.
- 43. Mr. Beyerle inquired if they represent the corporation.
- 44. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes.
- 45. Mr. Byrne inquired about voucher # 998, the moving of a portable. Is this the total cost of moving the portable?
- 46. Dr. Oppel stated this is for moving the portable classroom from North Harrison Elementary to Morgan Elementary to be used the 2008-09 school year. This is a payment of 5% down to move it.
- 47. Mr. Brown stated the estimated cost is \$17,000.
- 48. Mr. Byrne inquired if this comes out of Capital Project Fund.

- 49. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes.
- 50. Mr. Naegele stated can a portable classroom be rented.
- 51. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes, it is expensive.
- 52. Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Michael Beyerle seconded a motion to approve the merchant claims #925 through #1066 and the payroll for July 18 and August 1, 2008. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 53. North Harrison Technology Director D. J. Hanen gave a report on technology. The technology department has a plan they implement every month. He discussed the long term goals. He wants every classroom teacher to have Smart Boards in their classrooms. Currently he has 69 classrooms with Smart Boards and 55 classrooms remaining. The technology staff can remote in to any computer to assist a teacher. In July he hopes to increase band width on the internet. This will triple our capacity and have more speed on the internet. Everything is internet based. He has requested from the state to turn this on in July. There are 715 computers at North Harrison Community School. Soon we will offer CRU credits for certified staff. This will assist in teacher license renewal. A new student based program called Harmony has been implemented. Parents will be able to use this program from home. Morgan Elementary technology is at capacity. It cannot keep up with the work that is demanded. Looking back at North Harrison Elementary is it a miracle that the computers even worked. The technology staff consists of Mrs. Donna Haskell, Miss Beth Burson and himself.
- 54. Mr. Renneker inquired how much is being used for emergency purposes.
- 55. Mr. Hanen stated 0 (zero) dollars.
- 56. Dr. Partenheimer stated the Wilson Center is collecting bids to get into a dial out service at low cost. We will have more information at a later date.
- 57. Mr. Hanen stated Harmony, our new student management program, will be able to do this. If we have current parent information.
- 58. Mr. Renneker inquired are we still using a PA system.
- 59. Dr. Oppel stated yes, each building has their own method for emergencies situations.
- 60. Dr. Partenheimer stated this discussion is for executive meeting.
- 61. Mr. Renneker stated he had questions about emergencies services.
- 62. Mr. Partenheimer stated with technology in the classroom it is used for Smart Boards. It is state standards based and a visual learner on the big screen. Tech keeps are systems running with very few problems.
- 63. North Harrison High School Principal Mr. Kelly Simpson stated 14 students didn't graduate during the ceremony and 10 students have picked up the lacking credits to complete the requirements. For 2008 we had 140 graduates and now we have 150 graduates. He is pleased they completed but it would have been better 1 (one) month ago.
- 64. Mr. Greg Rupp stated if the Board would bear with him; this involves the Morgan building project. In August we are beginning the 5th year without a contract. The prices of staples are increasing. The support staff was given a 5% stipend. A stipend is not a raise. It is comparable to a bonus. He contacted a teacher assistant that makes \$12,000 a year. They received a check for \$600.00. This stipend doesn't go on the salary scale. They cleared around \$450 or \$90 per year compensation. We have insulted a very important part of our support staff. The money our of the teacher pockets is drying up due to their own bills. The Morgan building project is being rushed through the agenda due to the new July 1st law. This law requires the public to vote on a building project over \$10 million dollars. We have other pressing issues facing our community than just Morgan Elementary. Dr. Oppel and Mr. Jeff Brown have tested North Harrison Elementary for everything. The truth be known something has been over looked at North Harrison Elementary. It was remodeled due to environmental reasons. We won't know what they were. Teachers and students had health issues that improved once they moved. He was in Mr. Richard Lee's room at the end of the year and his maps on the wall are torn and raggedy. The work could be started and completed once the High School is paid off. At that time there would be no overlap in tax assessment or no tax increase. That date is June 2012.
- 65. Dr. Partenheimer stated January 2013.

- 66. Mr. Rupp stated anyone that states we build at this time without increased taxes is not being true to the public. There has been a remonstrous started in delaying remodeling Morgan Elementary. One of the reasons is the Middle School Annex and Morgan both need to be remodeled together. The Middle School has the same if not greater needs as Morgan. Instead of fast forwarding this building project, both buildings should be remodeled. We don't need a building project with more taxes. We need to deal with present obligations that have accumulated over the last four years. He is asking the Board to revisit how the Rainy Day Funds are spent. He is asking the Board to postpone the Morgan project. Rethink it to include the Middle School in the project. Plan the project for when the High School comes off the tax rate. Bring the community into the picture. Join the common cause to teach our students and being tentative to their needs. They are important. There should not be sides at all. They can't receive the best education due to we are pointing fingers. Let's postpone this project.
- 67. Mr. Donnie Timberlake of James L. Shireman, Inc. stated Mr. D.J. Hanen and the staff at North Harrison Elementary are great to work with. Pod D is the last pod to complete in July. The gym roof has been recoated. The case work is still being made. The elevator has been installed. On July 14th the fire alarm company will test the alarm.
- 68. Mr. Chinn inquired has the fire department been in the building.
- 69. Dr. Oppel stated yes.
- 70. Mr. Timberlake stated he will walk them through the Elementary before school.
- 71. Dr. Oppel stated he will bring them to the school. A few years ago we had fire training on the North Harrison campus.
- 72. Dr. Partenheimer stated under letter item B (retirement) He needs to add Jo Thrasher.
- 73. Mr. Chinn inquired what effective date.
- 74. Dr. Partenheimer stated June 2009.
- 75. Mr. Dan Haskell a teacher at North Harrison Middle School stated he uses a lot of technology and the team is always on top. They are great! He inquired who approved the change orders on the Elementary roof pitch and a group of classrooms not being built.
- 76. Dr. Partenheimer stated all pods have been built. The only classroom not built was the alternative pod.
- 77. Mr. Ron Coleman stated the Board never voted on a roof change.
- 78. Mr. Mark Shireman of James L. Shireman, Inc. stated the building is exactly like the drawing. The building is built on the detail drawing not the art drawing.
- 79. Mr. Haskell inquired if the art drawings match the rendering.
- 80. Mr. Shireman stated you don't build off a drawing.
- 81. Mr. Haskell inquired why.
- 82. Mr. Shireman stated the changes are never on the drawings.
- 83. Mr. Byrne stated he thought Dr. Partenheimer stated the same thing at the last meeting.
- 84. Mr. Rupp stated he wants the corrected Board minutes.
- 85. Mr. Chinn stated you are getting the corrected Board minutes at the next meeting.
- 86. Mr. Byrne stated you are receiving them. They don't get corrected. They are added at the next meeting.
- 87. Dr. Partenheimer stated you are getting them. They are in the ledger. We can't go back and add information or make changes.
- 88. Mr. Byrne stated he doesn't like it but it is the legal way to keep Board minutes.

- 89. Dr. Oppel stated the change orders for North Harrison Elementary; 1) Striegel Asphalt to black top under the construction trailers to make additional parking. Take the rock out and have additional parking. The cost is \$22,974. 2) Tack boards installed on the 2nd floor of North Harrison Elementary. They were left out of the bid package. These need to be installed for the teachers to put items on the walls on the 2nd floor. The cost is \$33,000.
- 90. Mr. Byrne inquired is this a total for both floors.
- 91. Dr. Oppel stated \$33,000 is for the upstairs.
- 92. Mr. Beyerle inquired if the main floor was included on the bid.
- 93. Dr. Oppel stated yes. The second floor was not in the bid package and he doesn't know why.
- 94. Mr. Beyerle inquired if this was time sensible.
- 95. Dr. Oppel stated yes.
- 96. Mr. Chinn stated we talked to RQAW about that. It was a pretty good miss.
- 97. Mr. Shireman stated it was not on the plan.
- 98. Mr. Naegele inquired does this need to be decided before school starts.
- 99. Dr. Oppel stated if delayed it could push back time completion.
- 100. Mr. Beyerle stated the black top doesn't matter. It won't effect education.
- 101. Dr. Oppel stated that is correct the blacktop doesn't matter but it may be more costly due to the increase of oil.
- 102. Mr. Naegele inquired do we complete in one bid.
- 103. Dr. Partenheimer stated it is \$22,000.
- 104. Mr. Renneker inquired why extra parking.
- 105. Dr. Oppel stated we run out of parking at events.
- 106. Dr. Partenheimer stated rock has been put under the trailer and it would need to be removed.
- 107. Dr. Oppel stated don't vote to approve the black top and leave the rock for parking.
- 108. Mr. Renneker stated it is a high cost for 1 (one) time parking a year.
- 109. Miss Jones stated it would be used 5 (five) times a year.
- 110. Mr. Renneker inquired if at sporting events people still park in the grass. Are we going to keep people off the grass?
- 111. Dr. Oppel stated we have rock barriers
- 112. Mr. Byrne inquired this money comes from the contingency fund. These prices won't get cheaper.
- 113. Mr. Naegele stated Striegel Paving is doing the work.
- 114. Dr. Oppel stated they have work to do.
- 115. Mr. Naegele inquired if Striegel Paving working on any other area?
- 116. Dr. Oppel stated there is patch work to be completed.
- 117. Mr. Byrne inquired how many parking spots are in this area.

- 118. Mr. Shireman stated he didn't know.
- 119. Mr. Byrne inquired if it is a significant number.
- 120. Mr. Chinn inquired if Parco is willing to work with us if they don't have to remove the rock. Are they required to remove the rock?
- 121. Dr. Oppel stated yes.
- 122. Mr. Beyerle inquired if he would check on the matter.
- 123. Mr. Chinn stated we don't need to do it tonight.
- 124. Mr. Byrne stated if it stays gravel are you willing to approve it?
- 125. Mr. Beyerle stated he thought it should have been in the Board packet.
- 126. Dr. Oppel stated we just received this information.
- 127. Mr. Byrne inquired when this work would begin.
- 128. Mr. Shireman stated before school begins.
- 129. Mr. Byrne stated he would rather see black top than rock.
- 130. Mr. Beyerle inquired if \$33,000 was an equal amount to put tack boards upstairs.
- 131. Mr. Shireman stated he believes so.
- 132. Mr. Naegele stated the tack boards need to be ordered.
- Dr. Oppel stated Mr. Shireman and Mr. Timberlake check these items then bring to him and he brings them to the Board. He believes they are a decent price.
- 134. Mr. Beyerle stated he hadn't heard Mr. Shireman say that.
- 135. Miss. Jones stated the square footage may not be the same based on the walls.
- 136. Mr. Beyerle stated he didn't have a problem with the tack boards.
- 137. Mr. Renneker stated if the gravel stays we need to tie together the patch jobs.
- 138. Mr. Chinn stated you probably can do this due to Bond money being used.
- 139. Dr. Oppel stated we should get a better price. It would be 2 (two) different projects.
- 140. Mr. Renneker stated that is what I was asking.
- 141. Mr. Naegele inquired about the thickness of the blacktop.
- 142. Dr. Oppel stated the thickness of the blacktop.
- 143. Mr. Naegele stated 4 inches thick.
- 144. Mr. Beyerle stated is Striegel the only one.
- 145. Mr. Shireman stated yes.
- 146. Dr. Partenheimer asked Maintenance Director Mr. Jeff Brown if he liked their work.
- 147. Mr. Brown stated they have the best prices.

- 148. Mr. Byrne stated they gave the best prices at Morgan Elementary for the ball fields. It was the best price. I would rather see it done before school starts.
- 149. Mr. Byrne made a motion to approve both of these items as long as the gravel stays.
- 150. Mr. Beyerle inquired if we should check on this before proceeding.
- 151. Mr. Byrne moved (as long as Mr. Shireman is correct and the gravel stays.
- 152. Mr. Chinn stated let's split them apart.
- 153. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve \$22,974 Striegel Asphalt to black top under the construction trailers to make additional parking as long as the rock remains in place. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 154. Mr. Renneker inquired how much was left in the contingency fund on bond.
- Dr. Oppel stated \$300,000 on general conditions, \$300,000 loose equipment and \$300,000 in technology overall \$1,440,964 in the contingency fund \$914,566 remaining in the contingency fund.
- 156. Mr. Naegele told Mr. Shireman that sometime the change orders worry the public.
- 157. Mr. Shireman stated to look at add on floor and ceiling changes. Allow 5% to 8% for unknown factors in renovation. Our unknowns were the dirt was removed from the roof of North Harrison Elementary.
- 158. Dr. Oppel stated some of the money has been used for custodians to do work on projects. This comes out of the contingency fund instead of capital projects.
- 159. Mr. Jerry Renneker moved and Mr. Michael Beyerle seconded a motion to approve the change orders for North Harrison Elementary tack boards installed in the 2nd floor of North Harrison Elementary. The cost is \$33,000. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- Mr. Fred Naegele moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to approve the resignations of Mr. Dan Ayres (retirement) as teacher at North Harrison Middle School effective end of 08-09 school year and Ms. Jo Thrasher (retirement) as teacher at North Harrison Middle School effective end of 08-09 school year. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 161. Mr. Chinn thanked these teachers for their years of service.
- Mr. Jerry Renneker moved and Mr. Gary Byrne seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Mrs. Laura Shireman as PE/Health teacher at North Harrison Middle School effective 2008-2009 school year; Mr. Jamie Polk as student council sponsor at North Harrison Middle School effective 2008-09 school year; Mr. Bobby Plummer as driver for Pre-School bus route effective 2008-09 school year; and Miss Ashley Brown as bus assistant for Pre-School route effective 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- Dr. Partenheimer stated the Board members need to sign the conflict of interest statement for the following: Dr. Ken Oppel wife, Chrissy Oppel, is a secretary at North Harrison Elementary; Mr. Kelly Simpson wife, Judy Simpson, is an instructional assistant North Harrison Middle School; Mr. Doug Dodge wife, Maria Dodge, is an instructional assistant at North Harrison High School; Mr. Robert Chinn wife, Kathy Chinn, is Extra-Curricular Treasurer for North Harrison Community School Corporation; Mr. Michael Beyerle wife, Jill Beyerle, is a North Harrison Community School Corporation contracted bus driver; and Mr. Jerry Renneker wife, Kim Renneker, is an instructional assistant at North Harrison Middle School.
- 164. Mr. Byrne inquired if there has been a lot of increase in the cost of textbooks.
- 165. Miss. Jones stated Language Arts and Math have increased due to new materials. Everything else is based on a formula.
- Mr. Lance Richards, principal Morgan Elementary School, stated last year was the first year with Language Arts. On the first year the suppliers give you material and the remaining years you must purchase it. Textbooks are expensive.

- Dr. Partenheimer stated this is part of cost savings. Fees were being paid out of the general fund. We increased fees. The savings last quarter was \$20,000. This helps our general fund.
- 168. Mr. Gary Byrne moved and Mr. Fred Naegele seconded a motion to approve the textbook rental and fees for 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 169. Mr. Naegele inquired what is the percentage or number of students that we don't collect book rental from.
- Dr. Partenheimer stated we can ask free and reduced students to pay for the fees but we cannot demand payment. There are some parents that we take to small claims court.
- 171. Dr. Oppel stated 1/3 of our students are on free and reduced meals.
- 172. Mr. Renneker inquired how many of those students are involved in extra curricular activities.
- 173. Dr. Oppel stated he would need to check on that information.
- 174. Dr. Partenheimer stated you can't force free and reduced students to pay fees. The remainder of students that don't pay are taken to small claims court.
- 175. Mr. Chinn inquired can we prohibit students from extra curricular actives if they do not pay their fees.
- 176. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes, but not field trips. Let's get a legal opinion before we continue.
- 177. Mr. Chinn suggested we live with it the way it is.
- 178. Dr. Oppel stated the free and reduced students at Morgan are students due to the Title I program then North Harrison Elementary, Middle School and High School students rank next.
- Dr. Partenheimer stated he has received the names that signed the petition for the Morgan Elementary remonstrance. It is time to move forward on the Morgan Elementary remonstrance race. It is in effect that sets it back 90 days for the cooling off and collection period. That has moved the Morgan project to 2011 and payment for 2012 and ½ payment in 2013. We still have 2009 2010 to get capital projects funds at the current rate. When the public approved North Harrison Elementary there wasn't a remonstrance. The community understood it would be on their taxes with the High School. Due to the remonstrance we will have two years of padding. We will be able to repair but not replace items. In 2011 we would pay \$.12 for repayment of the bond. In 2011 out of \$.32 we cut \$.12 and 2012 it moves to \$.14 off the \$.32. In 2013 it will be the last payment on the High School another \$.12. Now due to emergency because of over crowding \$.32 off Morgan. We can go forward on the Morgan Elementary Project. You tax rate has not increased. The public won't pay extra taxes and you are still paying on 2 (two) buildings. It saves interest over time. We save you the taxpayer \$11.7 million dollars over the course of this bond. Then two buildings are complete. If we wait 3 to 4 years then material cost will increase. We will save money by putting 4 (four) million dollars down.
- 180. Mrs. Tammy Sager inquired when payments would begin.
- 181. Dr. Partenheimer stated one payment will be paid this budget year and 2 the next year.
- 182. Mr. Gary Byrne inquired if Dr. Partenheimer could elaborate on the July 1st law.
- 183. Dr. Partenheimer stated July 1st is the referendum. Any construction project over 10 million dollars goes to referendum. The states around us that want to build don't anymore due to referendum. The public goes into the voting poll and votes no in private. If we don't do this now to Morgan Elementary it will not be renovated. Community members in the polls vote no.
- 184. Mr. Daniel Harmon stated in other states if you put money down you would not vote for that.
- 185. Dr. Partenheimer stated other states can't raise other money. We have money to put down.
- 186. Mr. Harmon inquired if we have money to put down.
- 187. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes. You are making a good case. The community is not going to vote yes to raise their property taxes due to it being private. If we wait it won't happen. The Morgan Elementary becomes a patchwork.

- 188. Mrs. Sager inquired how long do we have.
- 189. Dr. Partenheimer stated before we go to referendum. We are under the old rule due to the 1028 hearing.
- 190. Mr. Byrne stated since we had our 1028 hearing before July 1st so we are under the law.
- 191. Mr. Jeff Reed, the minister at Unity Chapel Church, if you vote it down can if be brought up again.
- 192. Mr. Naegele stated his question is do you have that option?
- 193. Mr. Jared Goldman inquired do you have it in writing that you can change at a later date. What about the money you were going to pay off the High School. You said you have money to put down and pay off the school. Is it in writing and a guarantee that the money will be used for that? Things could change in one year and then the public has no say.
- 194. Dr. Partenheimer stated the High School is still on. We are not changing it. Since you approved North Harrison Elementary School, you will have 2 (two) schools on debt and it is much easier. The remonstrance race pushed us into another budget cycle. That allows Morgan Elementary to continue. You will pay the same taxes. We don't want to pay off the High School.
- 195. Dr. Partenheimer inquired are you talking about the four million or not?
- 196. Mr. Goldman stated the next four years.....
- 197. Dr. Partenheimer inquired are you talking about the eleven million?
- 198. Mr. Goldman stated the money to pay off the high school.
- 199. Dr. Partenheimer stated he has changed that. We are not paying off the high school. We are paying for Morgan Elementary. The high school is still on.
- 200. Mr. Roger Oppel inquired there are 4 (four) million dollars in the Rainy Day Fund that can be used.
- 201. Dr. Partenheimer inquired when you go before the Property Tax Control Board they ask what you have done to raise money. We are putting 4 (four) million dollars down on a 15 million dollar project and we are not building a gym. They don't like to discuss building a gym. We have almost paid 1/3 of the project before we begin.
- 202. Mr. Goldman stated this is a guarantee and this is the way it is going to go.
- 203. Dr. Partenheimer stated it is up to the Board. They can make a motion.
- 204. Mr. Byrne stated he guarantees it will be in our Board minutes and on our web site.
- 205. Mr. Brian Churchill stated that we have too much maintenance that needs attention.
- 206. Dr. Partenheimer stated Mr. Richards has students in book closets and if we don't do anything he may have multiple portables as classrooms.
- 207. Mr. Churchill stated Mr. Jerry Firestone looked at North Harrison Elementary ten times before we started the project. That is why the building looks the way it does. So he could save us money. We are jumping into the Morgan project.
- 208. Mr. Byrne stated North Harrison elementary took a lot of thought process and things changed as we went along. There isn't a lot to be done different on the Morgan building. It is a conventional building. We have different architects that will do a better job.
- 209. Mr. Byrne stated he sat in every meeting on North Harrison Elementary. The community knew how he felt on the project. It was the only school in the state that had a dirt top. It was not a conventional building. Morgan Elementary was built around 1950 and it was a conventional building. You are going to rip out the old and put in the new. We pay architects that we trust.
- 210. Mrs. Sager stated do you think we need to spend less time planning since it is a conventional building?

- 211. Mr. Byrne stated it is a conventional building and doesn't take much planning. We went along with the architect's recommendation. You say what would you do different. He stated he didn't see anything different. It is up to the Board to say yes or no. This wasn't rushed through. The state doesn't allow you to rush through things. It started in February when it was presented. Dr. Partenheimer had the architects working on it.
- 212. Dr. Partenheimer stated two months before that.
- 213. Mr. Byrne stated it didn't happen over night. This is a conventional building. North Harrison Elementary was unknown territory. We didn't know what we were getting into. Mr. Shireman had stated the contingency was so high due to we didn't know what we were getting into.
- 214. Mr. Dan Haskell asked Dr. Partenheimer after July 1st any new building project has to go to referendum.
- 215. Mr. Chinn stated no, that is not correct.
- 216. Mr. Haskell stated what the rules are.
- 217. Mr. Chinn stated the limitations are five million dollars. It depends on school size.
- 218. Dr. Partenheimer stated it is \$10 million dollars for the Elementary and \$20 million dollars for middle and high schools.
- 219. Mr. Haskell stated middle school needs. If under \$20 million dollars then it would not need to go to referendum.
- 220. Dr. Partenheimer stated that is correct.
- 221. Mr. Haskell inquired what the plans for the middle school are.
- 222. Dr. Partenheimer stated as we raise our capital funds then we turn that money back to bond issues.
- 223. Mr. Haskell stated how does that help?
- 224. Dr. Partenheimer stated it shortens the timeline on two buildings.
- 225. Mr. Haskell inquired how long?
- 226. Dr. Partenheimer stated 12-15 years instead of 20 years.
- 227. Mr. Haskell stated for a 50 year old building.
- 228. Mr. Naegele stated he had received questions from the public on the Morgan project. Their concern was taxes. Can you explain the referendum?
- 229. Dr. Partenheimer explained if we accommodate the money for the project then instead of 20 million dollar project it will be 9 million dollar project. It is the cost of the building. Put 5 million dollars up then the cost goes down. It is a referendum.
- 230. Mr. Richards stated we made a long range plan. He set through the meetings. He talked to staff members from each building. We discussed taking the earth off North Harrison Elementary and Morgan Elementary was put on the back burner. We looked at what North Harrison Elementary has vs. Morgan Elementary. Space was one item that was discussed. Morgan Elementary is a different situation. Mr. Shireman met with every staff member. There are no drawings of Morgan. Things have changed since then due to staff input.
- 231. Mr. Harmon inquired if a motion could be made to not raise taxes.
- 232. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes.
- 233. Mr. Naegele inquired this does not change the access evaluation.
- 234. Dr. Partenheimer stated we are talking about rates. Your taxes will continue to rise.

- 235. Mrs. Sager inquired if he would be setting aside funds for the Rainy Day Fund.
- 236. Dr. Partenheimer stated no we are not raising it.
- 237. Mr. Chinn stated we are trying to keep it revenue neutral on your tax rate.
- 238. Mr. Byrne inquired ok with you as long as it stays neutral and the Board approves.
- 239. Dr. Partenheimer stated the problem is the figures are wavy. As long as the motion shows the Morgan rate on bonding is cut from capital projects.
- 240. Mrs. Sager stated what the cost to bond is.
- 241. Dr. Partenheimer stated 11 million dollars.
- 242. Mr. Chinn inquired can we do that with the petition remonstrance going on. We can't do it tonight.
- 243. Dr. Partenheimer stated he didn't mind.
- 244. Mr. Jeff Beyerly stated the economy is not doing well. You have a liability with the teachers and the contract not being settled.
- 245. Mr. Byrne stated the money savings is not the account we pay the teachers from. It is two separate piggy banks.
- 246. Mr. Jeff Beyerly stated it needs to be settled.
- 247. Mr. Byrne agreed.
- 248. Dr. Partenheimer stated he is not opposed to it being settled. We made an offer of our cash balance and it will bring us to zero but they don't want to accept a stipend.
- 249. Mr. Haskell stated this is not the place to negotiate.
- 250. Mr. Byrne stated he agreed with Mr. Haskell that this is not the place to negotiate from. I appreciate what Mr. Beyerly is saying but this is not the place. We are trying to respond to questions.
- 251. Mr. Haskell stated is it fair talking about spending money. The Middle School needs repair. It looses power often. It is overcrowded due to a building being closed. We have not looked at when North Harrison Upper Elementary closed. It was not in the best interest of the students when it closed.
- 252. Mr. Byrne stated where this argument was during the Elementary discussions. Fifth grade students were moved back to the elementaries and were was this argument.
- 253. Mr. Haskell stated it was a shock to loose North Harrison Upper Elementary.
- 254. Mr. Byrne stated the general fund couldn't support North Harrison Upper Elementary.
- 255. Mr. Haskell stated this Board should be able to do some creative financing.
- 256. Mr. Goldman stated could you explain the bond issue and the money paid each school year on teacher retirement.
- 257. Dr. Partenheimer stated it is a tax neutral issue. The bus replacement fund is subtracted from the amount each year.
- 258. Mr. Goldman inquired how much?
- 259. Dr. Partenheimer stated \$250,000 \$260,000.
- 260. Mr. Beyerle inquired it is neutral?
- 261. Dr. Partenheimer stated yes.

- 262. Mr. Beverle stated it cost the school \$300,000?
- 263. Mr. Byrne stated it cost the general fund and that year we did not purchase buses.
- 264. Mr. Naegele welcomed all the new members; bus inspection crew did a great job; He received many thanks on the 5% stipend that the non-certified staff received; and tech staff is great. If you have questions or concerns call Dr. Oppel or Dr. Partenheimer. Anyone can call them to make you aware and educate yourself. The unsettled contract is starting its 5th year.
- 265. Mr. Byrne stated he agreed with Mr. Naegele He will take calls also. He has received 2 or 3 calls on the unsettled teacher contract. Call us we will listen. He agrees the Middle School needs work but you need to prioritize. The need at Morgan Elementary is greater than North Harrison Middle School. That project will be down the road.
- 266. Mr. Beyerle thanked everyone for the opportunity to sit on the Board.
- 267. Mr. Renneker stated he agrees everyone has been supportative. This one is high profile. When Ron Coleman congratulated or gave condolences to me and asked are you sure you know what you got yourself into but I have looked forward to serving on the Board. He is obtaining a lot of information and has read a lot in the last 2 months. He has received a lot of calls and will speak late in the night to make a point. Appreciate the opportunity to sit on the Board. We can come together as a community and school. He appreciates the patience.
- 268. Mr. Chinn stated Mr. Hanen leads the tech staff. He uses the computer and knows things can go wrong. Thank you to the tech staff and he appreciates Miss Burson, Mrs. Haskell and Mr. Hanen. The change orders at North Harrison Elementary upset me. You want answers and so does he. Thanks and be careful.
- 269. Mr. Beyerle moved and Mr. Renneker seconded a motion to adjourn.
- 270. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.
- 271. At 10:26 p.m., the Board met in executive session with Mr. Gary Byrne, Mr. Michael Beyerle, Mr. Fred Naegele, Mr. Jerry Renneker and Mr. Robert Chinn were present. Also present were Phil Partenheimer and Ken Oppel. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information regarding employees, prospective employees, collective bargaining and pending litigation. The executive session ended at 10:45 p.m. with no action being taken.

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