

SCHOOL BOARD News Release –December 2011

The La Harpe School Board held a regular meeting on December 20, 2011 in the District library. In addition to regular monthly business items, the Board approved a resolution expressing appreciation to the elementary and high school administrators, directors, and the staff who work with student transportation systems in the Carthage, Dallas City, Illini West, and La Harpe school districts.

The Board adopted the FY 2013 tax levy and approved a resolution to abate \$40,000 in taxes. The board heard building project updates, an overview of the process for teacher contract negotiations, and policy regarding board member Mandated Reporter status. The Board approved 3-year bus leases for two 30-passenger, two 48-passenger, and two 65-passenger buses, and approved the second reading of policy updates. The board took action to employ Donna Grisham for the position of part time evening shift custodian.

Prin. McKeown reported that the Christmas programs and Open House were great successes. McKeown commended La Harpe teachers whose classes were temporarily relocated during the building project. McKeown said the staff exhibited a great deal of professionalism, that student learning always took first place, and that many went above and beyond regular duties to help out with the transition to new classrooms. The teachers worked very hard to have their new rooms looking fantastic for the late December Open House, and the staff received many compliments on how nice the facilities looked.

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