MINUTES OF A BUDGET HEARING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF CALHOUN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #40 OF CALHOUN AND GREENE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

A budget hearing of the Board of Education, of Calhoun Community Unit School District #40, consisting of Calhoun and portions of Greene Counties, Illinois, was called to order by Board President Luke Fraley, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017 in the District Office.

Upon roll being called the following board members were present: Donnie Breden, Luke Fraley, Tony Friedel absent, Janine Hagen, Dave Hurley, Laura Longnecker, Hannah Nelson absent.

Others in attendance were: Kate Sievers, Tiara Lorsbach, Suzanne Steckel, Alicia Churchman, Terry Strauch, Christie Lorsbach, Cheri Burris.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker to approve the agenda as follows:

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET & DISCUSSION
- IV. RECEPTION OF VISITORS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
- V. ADJOURN BUDGET HEARING AND CONTINUE REGULAR MEETING

Board Polled:

Breden – yes Fraley - yes Friedel - absent

Hurley - yes Longnecker - yes Nelson - absent

Hagen - yes

Motion carried.

Reception of Visitors, Petitions and Communications:

N/A

Discussion:

Alicia Churchman presented the proposed budget to the Board, at a negative \$146,354.00 total. She stated the ISBE representative Brent Appel has recommended if the expenses cannot be cut, either a tax levy will have to be presented to the taxpayers or the District to issue bonds to borrow the way out of the proposed debt. The rating formula for the state goes from "watch" to "warning" after two years of a negative balance. Mrs. Churchman presented the Board with a handout in reference to the forecasted budget for the next few years of the Districts operations. It was stated that the District would be aware of the new funding formula revenue from the State in November. It was asked why the supplies were up in excess of \$60,000 from last year – Dr. Sievers stated that a part of those funds were lower because some of the grants were figured for expenses, but the revenue amounts were not known at the current time to offset those expenses. She also stated that one of the Districts bonds would be paid off this year as well.

Executive Session:

N/A

Action Items:

N/A

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Dave Hurley that the Board adjourns the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Board Polled:

Breden-yesFraley - yes Friedel - absent

Hagen - yes

Hurley - yes

Longnecker - yes

Nelson - absent

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education