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District six day attendance shows first increase in five years

For the first time in five years, Hoopeston Area school attendance numbers are up.

Six-day enrollment presented at Thursday evening's school board meeting show Hoopeston Area's enrollment at 1,305, up 17 from last year.

The last time the district had an increase in students when, at 1,322, the 2006-07 enrollment was up 39 from the previous year.

An increased enrollment means Hoopeston Area will receive more state aid money and possibly more funds from other state— and federally-mandated programs.

The total does not include Rossville-Alvin students attending Hoopeston Area High School, according to a

handout on the last 10 years of attendance figures.

In other business, the board approved a \$3,150,500 levy for 2011, up from the 2010 property taxes extended of \$2,917,099.

The difference is an eight percent increase over last year, said Superintendent Hank Hornbeck, who reminded board members that the district always seeks more than it thinks it will receive because if they ask for less and property values increase higher than the rate requested, the district will not receive more than it requested. "We aim high and hope it goes high," he said.

In unrelated business, the board approved getting a

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Obituaries

BURTON - Luide Burton, 77, of Hoopeston, died at 1:16 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 2011, at home. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Brown-Alkire Fu-

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cost estimate/design for a new building that will house district administrative staff and a bus barn. The cost of the project is estimated at \$6,000.

At the August meeting, officials talked about how the plan has been discussed for several years but that bringing the ag program to Hoopeston Area from Rossville, necessitated some kind of action. Although the class-

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room part of ag classes fit in the existing building, officials said there was insufficient room for the shop part of the classes.

The drawings will give officials an idea of how much a new building will cost, Hornbeck said.

neral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Visitation was 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Vermilion County Humane Society.

KIFER - Paul Kifer, 74, of Hoopeston, died at 8:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

MARTIN - Marvin Dale Martin, 82, of Hoopeston, died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2911, at 2:15 p.m. (EST) at Indianapolis Veterans Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Chestnut Street Church of Christ, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston, with military honors

by Hoopeston American Legion and VFW Color Guard. Visitation will be 10-11 a.m. Monday at the church. Wolfe Funeral Home, Hoopeston, was in charge of arrangements.

TYLER - Calvin Arthur Tyler, 63, of Danville, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 5:56 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011, at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center, Danville. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at The Rock Church, 20 Poland Rd., Danville. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion and VFW posts. Visitation was 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the church. Memorials are suggested to the church. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is in charge of arrangements.

Weather



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