

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
APRIL 21, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District No. 1 of Bond and Fayette Counties, Illinois was called to order at 7:38 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Mike Kendall, Kevin Lewis, Teresa Tompkins, Keith Steiner and Sara Johnson. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principal Jim Rice, Teacher Jane Eaton, Student C. J. Fletcher, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2008 Regular BOE Meeting and the Special BOE Study Session of April 8, 2008. S. Johnson, Kendall, Lewis, Tompkins, Blankenship, Steiner, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by S. Johnson to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, including repayment of loans and an additional loan. Tompkins, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Blankenship, Steiner, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Blankenship to approve Board Bills as presented. S. Johnson, Lewis, Steiner, B. Johnson, Blankenship, Kendall, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Mrs. Eaton and C. J. Fletcher presented a class project to the Board.

A card from Teacher Gay Rensch was shared with the Board.

Mr. Rice presented the Principal Report, and Mr. Gauch's Principal Report was presented.

Mr. Irwin presented the Superintendent's Report:

- a. Special Meeting 4/8/08 @ 8:00 p.m. addressing district/superintendent goals for 2008-09 SY – a summary of both the district and superintendent goals was enclosed in your board packet.
- b. OBM Committee met on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
- c. Technology Update: Tech meeting 4/9/08 – Podcasting Workshop, 4/18/08
- d. Superintendent Irwin – IASA Spring Conference in Springfield 4/23-25
- e. Student Insurance Program (Zevitz, Redfield & Assoc, Inc. Chicago: Markel Insurance Company 2008-09) – Annual Renewal, no cost increase from the previous year, PreK-8 @ \$2.83, 9-12 @ \$5.67.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by B. Johnson to renew the Student Insurance Program with Zevitz, Redfield & Assoc. Inc. Chicago – Markel Insurance Company for the 2008-09 SY, as presented. Tompkins, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

- f. Renewal of Intergovernmental Agreement between the Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 Schools and the B/F/E ROE Alternative Education Program for the 2008-09 School Year.

Motion by S. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to approve the renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 Schools and the B/F/E Alternative Education Program as presented. Tompkins, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

- g. Renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement between Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 Schools and the B/F/E New Approach, Aspire High Schools/Freshman Academy.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by B. Johnson to approve the renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 Schools and the B/F/E New Approach, Aspire High Schools/Freshman Academy program as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

- h. OKAW Vocational Center – Building trades class, resolution to allow the Vandalia District to purchase a building site for the next building trades building.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to approve by resolution allowing Vandalia District #203 to purchase a building lot on behalf of the building trades class for the next building trades building project as presented. Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

- i. Renewal of the SchoolReach Telecommunications Agreement for the 2008-09 SY. The cost is \$2.50 per student @ 415 students, (\$1,039.50), + \$103.75 from 07-08.

Motion by S. Johnson, seconded by Lewis to renew the Agreement for Services with SchoolReach, for the 2008-09 SY as presented. Tompkins, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

- j. Board Policies – Updates/Revisions + one first reading.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to approve the updated policies as amended and the first reading of Board Policy #7:180 – Anti-Bullying Policy. S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

- k. RFB&D Grant – I have applied and we expect to be receiving two (2) grants. One will be for MGES and the other for MGJH, valued @ \$3,500 each, with an opportunity to renew in 2009-10 and 2010-2011. Cost in 2010-11 \$350 for each building to participate. This will be part of our RTI District Plan.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by S. Johnson to go into Closed Session at 8:40 p.m. to discuss District Finances, Personnel, Negotiations, Possible Litigation. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Lewis to return to Open Session at 10:15 p.m. and approve minutes of the Closed Session. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Lewis to accept the resignation from the coaching positions held by Lauren Fuehne as presented. . Lewis, S. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, B. Johnson, Blankenship, Kendall, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by S. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to accept the request of maternity leave for Annette Hartlieb as presented – 8/18/08-9/19/08. Lewis, S. Johnson, Blankenship, Kendall, Steiner, Tompkins, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to renew JH/HS Principal Mike Gauch's 3-year contract as attached. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by S. Johnson to adjourn at 10:25 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

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President

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Secretary