

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOVEMBER 23, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District No. 1 of Bond and Fayette Counties was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Keith Steiner, Bob Ketchem, Tonya Jett and Jim Quick. Also present were Superintendent Mike Gauch, Principals Ryan Bauer and Annette Hartlieb, Teacher Dianne Neathery, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Quick to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2009 Regular BOE Meeting as presented. Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ketchem to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to approve the Board Bills as presented. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Ryan Bauer and Annette Hartlieb presented Principal's Reports.

Mike Gauch presented the Superintendent's Report:

- a. Old Business
 - i. QZAB Funding
 - ii. Building Project
- b. New Business
 - i. Meeting with MGEA
 - ii. Sidewalk that leads to modular completed

- iii. E-Rate Funding
- iv. Pipe needing removal in Karen Clark's room (immediate need)
- v. First reading of policy changes from Press Plus
- vi. Press Plus Renewal agreement

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Quick to create a negotiating committee comprised of 3 Board members – Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Bob Ketchem – and Superintendent Gauch to begin discussions of a new contract for certified staff. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve APSI to complete removal and disposal of identified materials in Room 13 of the High School as presented. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Quick to renew our yearly agreement with “PRESS PLUS” for district policy updates for the 2010-2011 school year as presented. Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ketchem to go into Closed Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss Personnel, District Finances, Negotiations, and possible litigation. Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to return to Open Session at 8:40 p.m. and approve the minutes of the Closed Session. Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ketchem to hire Mark Bollinger as Assistant Boys Jr. High Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to accept resignation letter from Jennifer Schuette for the end of the 2009-2010 school year. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Ketchem, seconded by Steiner to hire Arestede Ephron as Assistant Coach for the 2009-2010 Elementary Basketball Season. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve itinerary for the 2010 Senior Trip. Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Quick, seconded by Ketchem to schedule a Truth in Taxation Meeting prior to the December 15 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 6:45 p.m. Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Quick to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, YES: Motion Passed.

President

Secretary