

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 16, 2012

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 7:00 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 Annette Hartlieb and Ryan Bauer, Teacher Caleb Thompson, Greg Woody, Tom Dooly from WGEL, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2012 Regular BOE Meeting as presented. Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

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

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

Ms. Hartlieb presented the Elementary Report, and Mr. Bauer presented the JH/SH Report.

Mr. Gauch presented the Superintendent's Report:

Old Business:

- a. Technology Purchase Plan
- b. School Calendar amendment
- c. Maintenance Grant application
- d. Board Trainings

New Business:

- a. State Legislation regarding School funding
- b. Budget amendment
- c. Recognition Dinner
- d. Board Meeting schedule for 2012-2013

Motion by Quick, seconded by Blankenship to approve the purchase of Elementary Technology equipment as presented. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve amendment to 2011-2012 school calendar to show that the district did not use its scheduled 5 emergency days and adjust the school end date accordingly. Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Ketchem, seconded by Johnson to go into closed session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss personnel, district finances, and possible litigation. Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to return to open session at 9:42 p.m. and approve the minutes of the closed session. Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Ketchem, seconded by Johnson to approve the hire of Sara Mize to fill the Physical Education/Art position for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year and be placed on the salary schedule accordingly. Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship,

Johnson, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Steiner to approve the transfer of Rhonda Hentz to fill the vacancy of Jr./Sr. High English/Language Arts. Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Quick, seconded by Ketchem to approve the proposal to increase the number of Pre-K sections in the district to a total of 2 sections. Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Quick, seconded by Johnson to approve the hire of Susan Hall to full-time staff pending required ECE certification to fill the additional section of the district's Pre-K program. Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Blankenship to extend the contract of Elementary Principal Annette Hartlieb through the 2014-2015 school year with salary and compensation for years 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years to be determined. Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Steiner to extend the contract of Jr./Sr. High Principal Ryan Bauer through the 2014-2015 school year with salary and compensation for years 2013-14 and 2014-15 to be determined Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Quick, seconded by Blankenship to extend the contact of Superintendent Mike Gauch through the 2016-2017 school year with salary and

compensation for years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17 to be determined.

Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to adopt the 2012-2013 Board Meeting schedule as presented. Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ketchem to grant a maternity leave to Margaret VonBokel as presented. Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Ketchem to grant Denyse Blankenship a one-year leave of absence for 2012-2013 school year as presented. Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Johnson to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. Quick, Blankenship, Johnson, Steiner, Ketchem, Jett, YES: Motion Passed.

President

Secretary