

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DECEMBER 17, 2007

The 2007 Levy Hearing 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, Mike Kendall, Kevin Lewis, Bill Johnson, Teresa Tompkins, and Keith Steiner. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Jim Rice and Mike Gauch, Candy Kirsch, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Mr. Irwin presented the 2007 tax levy information.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Lewis to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

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 7:30 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Mike Kendall, Kevin Lewis, Bill Johnson, Keith Steiner and Teresa Tompkins. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Jim Rice and Mike Gauch, Candy Kirsch and Matt Elam, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Lewis to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2007 Tentative Levy Hearing and Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, including loans. Steiner, B. Johnson, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

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

Matt Elam, along with Trevor Nickel and Taylor Mosley, presented an  
Ag/Industrial Arts demonstration.

New Okaw Vocational Center brochures were presented.

Mr. Rice and Mr. Gauch presented the Principal's Reports.

Mr. Irwin presented the Superintendent's Report:

a. Approval of the '07 Levy

Motion by Kendall, seconded by B. Johnson to approve the 2007 Levy for the  
Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 as presented. Tompkins, Steiner, B. Johnson, Blankenship,  
Kendall, Lewis, YES: Motion Passed.

b. OBM - Update

c. Okaw Resolution Approval

Motion by Kendall, seconded by B. Johnson to approve the resolution allowing  
Vandalia Unit #203 to act as sale agent for the Okaw Vocational Center's 'Building  
Trades' house as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson,  
Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

d. Class Projections from the Regional Office of Education

e. '08-'09 School Calendar

f. Spring KC Schedules

g. Approval of IDOT Hazardous Routes

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve the current IDOT

Hazardous Routes as presented (no change from the previous year). Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Tompkins to go into Closed Session at 8:22 p.m. to discuss district finances, personnel, and negotiations. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to return to open session at 9:06 p.m. and to approve the minutes of the closed session. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to approve the continuation of the Mulberry Grove Sporting Clay Club for the 2007-08 Season. All original criteria for coaches and team members remain the same. Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Mary Adams as written, effective at the end of the 2011-12 School Year. Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, Tompkins, Steiner, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Jane Eaton as written, effective the end of the 2011-2012 School Year. B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Kendall to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Kathy Lappe as written, effective the end of the 2011-12 School Year. Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Lewis to approve the letter of retirement from teacher Gay Rench as written effective the end of the 2008-09 School Year. This

includes a request for an additional twenty (20) sick leave days. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Tompkins to approve graduation dates – Junior High – May 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and High School – May 17, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, Tompkins, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Lewis to retroactively pay \$250 stipend for 2006-2007 to each building secretary for transportation duties. Stipends to continue annually unless modified by the Board. Lewis, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, YES; B. Johnson, ABSTAIN: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to adjourn at 9:13 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

---

President

---

Secretary