

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JULY 23, 2007

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 7:12 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Kevin Lewis, Sara Johnson, and Keith Steiner. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Jim Rice and Mike Gauch, John Barnes, Troy & Terri Oldham, Daren Ungerboeck, Marcus Dunn, Steve Runkel, and Tarek Peterkin – ICON Office Solutions, David Pistorius of First Mid-State, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by S. Johnson, seconded by Lewis to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2007 Regular BOE Meeting. S. Johnson, Blankenship, Lewis, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Board Member Teresa Tompkins arrived at 7:15 p.m.

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

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

Representatives from ICON Office Solutions discussed the services they can provide regarding equipment, service, etc.

David Pistorius from First Mid-State discussed working cash bonds, life safety projects, life safety bonds, and bond issues.

Troy & Terri Oldham discussed the possibility of paying tuition for their daughter to attend Mulberry Grove Junior High School.

John Barnes discussed Jr./Sr. High Girls' Basketball Program, and agreed to volunteer this year.

Mr. Rice presented the Elementary update and Mr. Gauch presented the JH/SH update.

Mr. Irwin presented the Superintendent's Report:

- a. OBM Update
- b. Technology Update
- c. Milk & Bread Bids
- d. Copier/Printer Recommendation-ICON Office Solutions, Inc.
- e. Update on Van Purchase

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to approve the milk bid from Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc. of Centralia for the 2007-08 School Year as presented. S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Tompkins, Lewis, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to approve the bread bid from Lewis Bakeries, Inc. of Effingham for the 2007-08 School Year as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Tompkins, Lewis, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by S. Johnson to go into Closed Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss a parent request, Personnel, District Finances and Negotiations. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to return to Open Session at 10:35 p.m. and approve the minutes of the Closed Session. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by S. Johnson to approve Todd Nickel, Dave Koonce, and Julie Nickel as volunteer coaches for the MG Scholastic Clay Target Club for the 2007-08 school year. As volunteers, they must fulfill the same requirements as all other District coaches and employees. Lewis, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to approve a student tuition request for student #72507-01 as presented for the 2007-08 school year. Lewis, S. Johnson, Steiner, Blankenship, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to approve a copier/printer management contract for the 2007-08 school year as presented with options to renew through 2012. Copy equipment to be ready for use by August 9, 2007. S. Johnson, Blankenship, Tompkins, Lewis, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Blankenship to approve by resolution to retain the firms of First Mid-State, Inc. and Chapman and Cutler to assist the district in obtaining working cash and life safety bonds effective July 23, 2007. Blankenship, Lewis, Tompkins, Steiner, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Tompkins to allow John Barnes to initiate a 2007-08 limited Junior High School Girls' Basketball Program with the intention of establishing a 2008-09 High School Girls' Basketball program. Lewis, Blankenship, Tompkins, Steiner, S. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to adjourn at 10:49 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

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President

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Secretary