

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOVEMBER 26, 2007

The Tentative 07 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 6:35 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Mike Kendall, Kevin Lewis, Teresa Tompkins, and Keith Steiner. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Mike Gauch and Jim Rice, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Mr. Irwin presented the 2007 tax levy information.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to adjourn at 6:47 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 was called to order at 7:05 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 Mike Gauch and Jim Rice, Candy Kirsch, Lindy Zeeb, John Paine, Michael Baysinger and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Blankenship to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2007 Working Cash Bond Intent Hearing, District Calendar Waiver Hearing, and Regular BOE Meeting. Kendall, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

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

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

A card from Jackie Paine and family was presented. Michael Baysinger from Baysinger Design Group, Inc. discussed L/S Amendment. John Paine and Lindy Zeeb presented a technology update and demonstration.

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

The Working Cash/Life Safety Bond Hearing was called to order at 7:58 p.m. Board Members in attendance were Teresa Tompkins, Keith Steiner, Mark Blankenship, Mike Kendall, Kevin Lewis, and Bill Johnson. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Mike Gauch and Jim Rice, Candy Kirsch, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Superintendent Irwin presented the Working Cash/Life Safety Bond Information.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by B. Johnson to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Lewis to approve the issue of Working Cash Bonds in the amount of \$200,000 and Life Safety Bonds in the amount of \$400,000 as presented in the Working Cash/Life Safety Bond Hearing. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Blankenship to approve the tentative '07 Levy for the Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Mr. Irwin presented the Superintendent's Report:

- a. Technology Update
- b. Chicago – School Board Conference
- c. Kaskaskia College Dual Credit Agreement for 2008-09
- d. Kaskaskia Adult Literacy Programs
- e. ISBE Waiver for Lincoln's Birthday has been approved 2008-2012
- f. ISBE – US Department of Education approved list of teacher shortage positions

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to go into Closed Session at 8:30 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 9:03 p.m. and approve the minutes of the Closed Session. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Tompkins to accept the letter of resignation from District Counselor Les Sinks as written, effective the end of the 2007-08 School Year. Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Mary Rice as written, effective at the end of the 2010-2011 School Year. Kendall, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Kendall, seconded by Lewis to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Sylvia Shea as written, effective the end of the 2007-08 School Year. Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Kendall to accept the letter of retirement from teacher Kathy Greaney as written, effective the end of the 2010-2011 School Year. B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to approve the purchase and install of 11 'Wireless Bus Scan' devices for the District bus fleet (\$1,188) to comply with Public Act 95-0260, State of Illinois – Transportation. Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to approve presentation of the Platinum Alliance Group presentation of an Identity Theft/Legal Insurance Program to District Faculty and Staff at no cost to the District. Steiner, Blankenship, Kendall, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Kendall to adjourn at 9:24 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

President

Secretary