

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2008  
6:00 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION  
7:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Executive Session (Evaluation of Personnel, Administrative Evaluations, Bus Transportation Contract, Sale of Property)
- IV. Recognition of Public
- V. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approve December 17, 2007 Minutes
  - B. Approve Payment of Bills
- VI. Reports
  - A. Elkhart School Sale
  - B. General State Aid Update
- VII. Unfinished Business
  - A. Elkhart School Trophies Transferred to Elkhart High School Alumni Association
  - B. High School Heating Repairs & Future Maintenance
- VIII. New Business
  - A. High School Course Approval 2008-09
  - B. K-12 Curriculum Planning
- IX. Items of Information
- X. Adjournment

**MT. PULASKI COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #23  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MT. PULASKI UNIT OFFICE  
JANUARY 28, 2008**

President Meister called the meeting to order on January 28, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, David Meister, and Julian Wubben. Superintendent Phil Shelton and Principals Gene Newton and Scott Doerr were also present.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Doug Martin to enter Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for evaluation of personnel, administrative evaluations, bus transportation contract, and sale of property. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Haley, second by Joe Olson to exit Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to employ Linda Hulett full-time as MPHS Assistant Cook effective February 1, 2008 for the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to accept the resignation of Board member Laurie Rhodes effective January 28, 2008. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

David Meister extended his thanks to Laurie Rhodes for her years of service to the District. The Board will accept letters of interest, prior to the February 25<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, to fill the unexpired term until April 2009.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Doug Martin to accept the resignation of Lynn McConkey at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Jeff Haley to adopt the Consent Agenda:

A: Approve December 17, 2007 Minutes

B: Approve Payment of Bills

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The Elkhart Grade School sale was finally closed on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Zion Lutheran has named the facility Zion Lutheran Elkhart Center and has been using the gym for practice and games. David Meister said it sounds like everything is working out, and Joe Olson said it's good for the Village.

Superintendent Phil Shelton reported that legislation enacted at the end of December increased the State Aid that School Districts are to receive. However, his hunch is that the State may hold the last two payments; and they won't be included in this fiscal year. The State Aid for 2008-2009 may decrease as the EAV increases and student attendance declines.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to assign Elkhart School trophies ownership to the Elkhart High School Alumni Association. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Phil Shelton is confident the Alumni Association will do a great job of organizing and cataloging the trophies.

A general list of future maintenance, repair, and equipment replacement needs at both the high school and grade school was discussed. The Board appreciated the list given them by Superintendent Phil Shelton and will work to prioritize the expenses after estimates are provided by contractors. Julian Wubben pointed out that some projects may qualify as life safety work and be paid for with the FPS levy.

Principal Scott Doerr reported to the Board on curriculum changes he would like to see implemented. The Web Design class would be changed to Web Design and Interactive Media Development and two new courses, Human Anatomy and Physiology and Ag Machinery Service would be added for the 2008-2009 school year. These changes would not require additional costs other than textbooks for the Human Anatomy course.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Doug Martin to approve the new and altered high school courses as presented. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Ideas for future curriculum improvements at the Junior High level were discussed. These included Introduction to Spanish, Basic Economics, Industrial Arts, and Home Ec. Board members can submit any ideas they have for K-12 planning to the administration.

As an item of information it was noted that Brian Hinds is in need of bus drivers.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Jeff Haley to enter Executive Session for discussion of personnel and administrative evaluations. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Doug Martin to exit Executive Session at 9:54 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to approve Executive Session minutes as reviewed tonight in Executive Session. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, Joe Olson, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Joe Olson to adjourn at 9:55 p.m. Voice vote. All aye. No nay. Motion carried.

Submitted By

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Board Recording Secretary