

**MT. PULASKI COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #23
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY JULY 21, 2008
6:00 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Executive Session (Employment, Compensation, Evaluation of Personnel, Transportation Contract)**
- IV. Recognition of the Public**
- V. Adoption of Consent Agenda**
 - A. Approve June 16, 2008 Minutes**
 - B. Approve Payment of Bills**
- VI. Reports**
 - A. State Fair Trams**
 - B. Summer Maintenance**
- VII. Unfinished Business**
 - A. Fence Repairs; Gate Installation – MPGS Playground**
- VIII. New Business**
 - A. FY 08 Budget Summary**
 - B. 2008-09 School Board Meeting Dates**
- IX. Items of Information**
- X. Adjournment**

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MT. PULASKI UNIT OFFICE
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President David Meister called the meeting to order on July 21, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Diane Deppe, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, and David Meister. Superintendent Phil Shelton and High School Principal Scott Doerr were also present.

Motion by Jeff Haley, second by Doug Martin to enter Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for employment, compensation, evaluation of personnel, nursing contract, and the transportation contract. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Diane Deppe to exit Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to approve the School Nursing Contract with Decatur St. Mary's Hospital for 2008-2009 and 2009-2010. The contract amount is \$19,936 for 178 days per school term. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to hire Kendra Updegraff as HS Math teacher and Scholastic Bowl Co-Coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to hire Rebecca Ashley as HS English teacher and Scholastic Bowl Co-Coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to hire Christian Fletcher as HS Soccer Coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Diane Deppe to hire Ryan Deibert as HS Boy's Basketball Assistant Coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Jeff Haley to pay Scott Doerr for five days worked in July 2007. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Jeff Haley to extend Superintendent Philip Shelton's contract through the 2010-2011 school year with a 6% increase in salary for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to destroy closed meeting tape recordings to within 18 months of the current meeting. The minutes of these closed meetings have previously been approved and shall remain confidential. This action meets the requirements of the Open Meetings Act Section 2.06. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

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

Kerry Malone addressed the Board and asked about adopting Bass Fishing as an IHSA sport.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Joe Olson to adopt the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve June 16, 2008 Minutes
- B. Approve Payment of Bills

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

David Meister reported that the process of signing up volunteers to work the State Fair trams has gone much better this year. As a reminder, any volunteer who has not yet turned in their background check form needs to do so as soon as possible.

Graffiti was spray painted on the Grade School building over the weekend, and a report was filed with the local Police. Superintendent Phil Shelton said the labor involved in cleaning off the paint was time that took the custodians away from their normal scheduled summer maintenance work.

The sealing and repaving of parking lots, the fencing off of the natural gas meter at the Grade School, and the fence repairs and installation of a pipe pole gate that will keep vehicles off the Grade School playground area were discussed.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Joe Olson to make needed fence repairs on the Grade School playground and fence in the gas meter. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Phil Shelton reported that the State withheld payments totaling over \$128,000 (\$75,082 due the Transportation Fund and \$53,528 due the Education Fund). The State puts a big emphasis on the financial profile of a School District, but at the same time makes the job of budgeting that much harder when projected revenue due by June 30th, the end of the fiscal year, is not paid on time. He said the State needs to have their own house in order before judging School Districts.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Jeff Haley to approve the proposed 2008-2009 School Board meeting dates. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Joe Olson to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Voice vote. All aye. No nay. Motion carried.

Submitted By

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Board Recording Secretary