

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23

Board of Education

Mt. Pulaski Unit Office

May 17, 2010

President Meister called the meeting to order on May 17, 2010 at 6:03 p.m. in the unit office. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Doug Martin, Kathy Boward, Joe Olson, Diane Deppe, Jeff Haley, David Meister, Mike Toohey. Also present were Superintendent Phil Shelton, and Principals Gene Newton, and Terry Morgan.

Motion by Kathy Boward, second by Diane Deppe to enter Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. for employment, evaluation, compensation of personnel, and litigation. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No Nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Kathy Boward to exit Executive Session at 6:49p.m. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 6:49p.m.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Mike Toohey to accept the resignation from Craig Erlenbush as high school soccer coach. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. Answering nay: Joe Olson. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Mike Toohey to accept the resignation from Deron Powell as High School golf co-coach. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Mike Toohey to hire Doug Nelson as High School Ag teacher and FFA sponsor. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff

Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Diane Deppe to hire Erich Maxheimer, and Zach Raineri as summer workers at the high school and grade school. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Joe Olson to dispose of executive session tapes up to October 2008 as it is no longer necessary to retain them for review. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Kathy Boward to keep executive session minutes confidential. Executive session minutes from the past six months have been reviewed by Doug Martin and Mike Toohey with the recommendation to keep the minutes confidential. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Diane Deppe to approve executive session minutes as presented in executive session. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Diane Deppe to adopt the consent agenda items A & B as presented. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Reports

Mrs. Wachter along with three of the FCCLA members gave an update on the FCCLA program and activities for the past year. Superintendent Shelton and President Meister thanked Mrs. Wachter and the FCCLA members for their presentation and making the program successful. They also congratulated Mrs.

Wachter on her retirement and thanked her for her years of service to the school district.

President Meister reviewed graduation dates and assignments. MPGS graduation is June 4 at 7 p.m. with board members Jeff Haley, and Kathy Boward. MPHS graduation is June 5 at 7 p.m. with board members Mike Toohey, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin.

Unfinished Business

The Sangamon County Sales Tax resolution was discussed. Superintendent Shelton said that if the proposed tax is passed in Sangamon County the district could receive between \$8,000-\$12,000 per year which could only be used to abate property taxes or for building renovations. If used for tax abatement it could lower the tax rate between 1 and 2 cents. Superintendent Shelton said it is possible that we will have a resolution for Macon County next month. The possibility of a Logan County sales tax is still being discussed by the Lincoln School districts.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Kathy Boward to approve the Sangamon County Sales Tax resolution from which revenue received would be used for tax abatement and or building restoration. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Athletic Participation fees were discussed for the next year. Superintendent Shelton discussed the proposed fees and the reasons for raising them. Deron Powell was present and questioned the cost of golf compared to other sports. Superintendent Shelton explained the reason for a higher increase for golf.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Joe Olson to raise athletic fees for 2010-2011 as follows Grade School - \$30.00, High School - \$35.00, High School Golf - \$70.00

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

The annual Health Life Safety Inspection was completed at both buildings. Superintendent Shelton said nothing significant needs to be done, but we will have to install separation doors around the gym at the grade school to meet new requirements. He said there is a lot more emphasis on fire alarm inspection. He said that it cost \$1200-\$1800 for each building to have the inspection. He also talked about the elevator and chair lift inspections that cost about \$1500 per year and requires one company to do the inspection and another to do the test.

Carpet replacement in the grade school pod area was discussed. Superintendent Shelton thought that the existing carpet was installed in the early 1980's and needed replaced. He thought that bids would be secured by June so work could be done in July using funds from FY2010-2011. He also discussed other summer work to be completed such as painting, and routine maintenance.

New Business

President Meister read a resolution to transfer \$50,000 from the working cash interest fund to the transportation fund. Superintendent Shelton said this is necessary because we still have not got any of the transportation payments from the state for this year.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Mike Toohey to approve the resolution to transfer \$50,000 interest from the working cash fund to the transportation fund. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The school nursing contract with St. Mary's hospital was discussed. Superintendent Shelton said St. Mary's has been good to work with and felt that with all of the immunization records and health records that had to be kept along with basic health care that this position is necessary and worth the money spent.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Jeff Haley to approve the school health services contract for 2010-2011 with St. Mary's Hospital. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

School Board meeting dates for 2010-2011 were presented for approval.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Joe Olson to approve the school board meeting dates for 2010-2011. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Items of Information

Senior of the Month for May was Ellen Foley

Senior of the Year was Erich Maxheimer

MPGS Students of the Month

6th grade Steve Allen

7th grade Whitney Nichols

8th grade Madison Haley

Mr. Newton mentioned the 4x 200 relay team of Julia Beccue, Elizabeth Siebert, Caroline Huff, Alec Hayes, and Emily Moss qualified for the state track meet.

Mr. Newton also said that we will be hosting 8th grade 2A Volleyball State Tournament and the 8th grade 2A Boys Basketball State Tournament next year.

Jeff Haley made a statement in regards to the cutting of the softball program. He commended Stan Anderson for his efforts and dedication to the softball program and stated that it is not easy cutting programs. He talked about the survey and how it showed a high level of interest in summer softball, but not for fall softball. He stated how the survey reflected a lot of interest from the 5th grade level which is not considered a Jr. High team. He acknowledged the calls and letters he had received about the program. He believed his thoughts represented those of the board and felt that the board had made the right decision. President Meister thanked him for his comments.

Motion to adjourn by Diane Deppe, second by Kathy Boward. Voice Vote all ayes, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Submitted by

Doug Martin

School Board Secretary