

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23

Board of Education

Mt. Pulaski Unit Office

June 21, 2010

President Meister called the meeting to order on June 21, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the unit office. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Doug Martin, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Jeff Haley, David Meister and Mike Toohey. Joe Olson was late. Also present was Superintendent Phil Shelton.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Kathy Boward to enter Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for employment, evaluation, compensation of personnel. Answering aye: 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 7:04p.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 7:04 p.m.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Mike Toohey to re-hire Sandy Remmert as elementary aide for 2010-2011 school year. 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 re-hire Jason Beard as elementary aide for 2010-2011 school year. 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 Jeff Haley to re-hire Jill Seibert as library clerk for 2010-2011 school year. 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 re-hire Cindy Stoll as high school teacher's aide for 2010-2011 school year. 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 Michele Clark as National Honor Society sponsor. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

## **Recognition of Public**

Stan Anderson was present to address the board about the girl's softball program again. He discussed the survey that was conducted and the response from the board about the program. He stated he felt there was still support for the program. Mike Toohey addressed Stan's concerns about the survey and why the decision was made. Mike talked about the cuts that have been made to staff and other programs and stated that we have to cut costs where we can. Mike said he does not want to cut the program, but there has not been continuing support for softball. Stan wanted to know if there could be a sign up period for this fall and then possibly re-evaluate the decision. Superintendent Shelton said that is not an option. President Meister stated we had addressed this issue as an agenda item in the past and the board had listened to Stan's comments along with others. Joe Olson stated that the board and administration had looked carefully at the history of the program before making the cut. Jeff Haley talked about the safety issue with the younger age group of girls and did not feel there had been any consistency with the school program even if there had been in the summer program. Stan said how he felt there were a lot of talented girls and would like to see the program continued. President Meister thanked Stan for his attendance.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to approve the consent agenda items

- A. Approve May 17, 2010 minutes
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Approve Cathy Shull as district treasurer 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.

## **Reports**

Superintendent Shelton gave a report on the summer work camp at the high school. He said how the overall number of kids was down, but there were still over 120 kids present. He thought that things ran smoothly for the week. Doug Martin stated he and Kathy Boward were at the final program and were impressed with the kids and the camp staff. He said the campers had helped over 24 families in the area and how it was a good thing for the community. Doug and Kathy said that the camp coordinators had expressed their appreciation to the school board and school staff for letting them use the school.

Superintendent Shelton gave a report on the Health Life Safety work to be completed this summer. He said he will have bids at the July meeting for separation doors to be installed in designated areas, and the hollow doors around the gym to be replaced.

Superintendent Shelton gave a State finance update. He said we recently received a state aid payment and a transportation payment. He talked about the legislature and how they have extended their deadline to pay bills until December 31, 2010. He said that getting this year's money in next year's budget can make things confusing, but said we will have an overall reduction in general state aid for next year. Doug Martin and Mike Toohey commented on Representative Bill Mitchell's recent town hall meeting they attended with Superintendent Shelton and both made the comment of how the state financing situation does not look good for the next several years.

### **Unfinished Business**

Superintendent Shelton presented three bids for the carpet replacement in the pod area of the grade school. He said all of the bids have the same specs and that our staff will do the removal of the old carpet.

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Kathy Boward to approve the bid from Calhoun Carpet of Springfield for carpet replacement at the grade school for \$15,807.92 Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Shelton discussed moving the school board meeting date in August from the 23 to the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Doug Martin to approve the amended school board meeting date to August 16 from August 23. 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 the final amended school calendar for 2009-2010. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Motion by Doug Martin, second by Diane Deppe to approve the Workers Compensation Renewal for \$31,494. Roll Call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Doug Martin, Diane Deppe, Kathy Boward, David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Shelton discussed a new law that will require the district to have food allergy guidelines as part of the School Board Policy. He will be working on the policy for review. It has to be in effect by December 31, 2010.

### **Items of Information**

Superintendent Shelton had talked with Principal Morgan about the possibility of parking stickers or tags for students who drive to school. This would be a way for the principal to know whose vehicle is and is not supposed to be in the parking lot. This will be continued for discussion in upcoming meetings.

Motion by Diane Deppe to adjourn, second by Jeff Haley. Voice vote all aye. Motion carries.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted by

Doug Martin

School Board Secretary