

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23

Board of Education

Mt. Pulaski Unit Office

January 23, 2012

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. in the Unit office. Roll call was taken. Present were Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. Diane Deppe arrived late.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Kathy Boward to enter executive session to discuss employment, evaluation of personnel, bus transportation contract and review of executive session minutes. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion Carried.

The board entered executive session at 6:08 p.m.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Kathy Boward to exit executive session. Roll call vote, answering aye – Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion Carried.

The board exited executive session at 6:44 p.m.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Todd Cyrulik to accept executive session minutes as reviewed in executive session. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion Carried.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Joe Olson to keep executive session minutes reviewed for the previous six months confidential, and executive session tapes within 18 months of January 2012 may be destroyed. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion Carried.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Kathy Boward to approve consent agenda items, a) approve December 19th, 2011 minutes and b) approve payment of bills. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion passes.

Recognition of Public

Introduction of Todd Hamm, his wife and two children.

Reports

The work on exhaust fans for the old high school gym was finished last week.

The Capital Improvement list was discussed. A brief discussion was held on replacing the 1912 and 1927 section of the high school. Recommendation of seven classrooms: replace art, special education resource room, two social studies, two math, a health education and driver education classroom. The high school office area would include an entry office area, principal's office and guidance counselor office. A learning center and computer lab/media center would be needed. The balance of the addition requires restrooms, hallways, and some storage area. An elevator might be required depending on the design.

Key Points To Consider:

1. No replacement of 1927 gym.
2. The limestone archway from the 1912 building should be preserved and used in the new addition.
3. The high school office area could be built in front of the 1963 gym as a part of the new entry for the high school.
4. The total new square footage of the replacement addition would be estimated at 15,000 square feet. The early projection would be \$4M or less. The school construction grant at 38% would pay for \$1.5M, the local share would be about \$2.5M

Unfinished Business

Superintendent Shelton has been working on replacement of the Mt. Pulaski Grade School boilers. The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity is offering natural gas incentive grants for entities that purchase utilities directly from Ameren. The total project cost installed is \$104,324. The \$104,324 cost would be paid with FPS and Building Fund, along with a \$20,676 grant from the Illinois DCEO.

The Bus Transportation contract bid process is on going. The bid documents should be ready for the board to review at the February meeting. Illinois law requires the school district to advertise for transportation contract bids if there is a request from a company. Since a formal request was received in the Spring of 2011, the bid process must be started. The current contract with Hinds Transportation expires June 30, 2013.

New Business

The March, 2013 student government trip to Washington D.C. was discussed. The sponsoring organization has strict supervision.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Kathy Boward to approve the student government trip to Washington D.C. in March, 2013. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion passes.

Motion by Diane Deppe, second by Joe Olson to approve the February school board meeting date change to Wednesday, February 22, 2012 , 7:00 pm regular session. Roll call vote, answering aye - Joe Olson, Kathy Boward, Diane Deppe, Todd Cyrulik and Doug Martin. No nays. Motion passes.

Information was received on meeting the requirement for school board training which needs to be completed in 12 months.

Items of Information

Students of the Month for the Grade School – 6th Grade Jaden Elliott
7th Grade Eli Olson
8th Grade Emily Kamryn Aylesworth

The High School Senior of the Month is Allison Haley.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Olson, second by Kathy Boward. Voice vote. All ayes. No nays. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by

Diane Deppe

School Board Secretary