

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office
September 23, 2013

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on September 23, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the unit office. Roll call was taken. Present were Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Superintendent Hamm and Principals Terry Morgan and Gene Newton were also present.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Bill Rucks, to enter Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. for the discussion of employment, evaluation of personnel, Executive Session minutes, and student discipline. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson, to exit Executive Session at 6:59 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at 7:05 p.m. in open session.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Jeff Beccue, to enter the Budget Hearing. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried. Superintendent Hamm gave a presentation on this year's budget.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Joe Olson, to exit the Budget Hearing. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Cady Lowery approached the Board on behalf of FCCLA thanking them for their contribution and support at National Competition. Chelsea Siembida, Jordan Luczaj, and Cady all received gold medals. The Board congratulated Cady on her role as President of the FCCLA organization

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to reenter Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. for discussion of employment, evaluation of personnel, Executive Session minutes, and student discipline. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Mike Toohey, to exit Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at 8:03 p.m. in open session.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Mike Toohey, to accept Bill Rucks as volunteer assistant high school boy's basketball coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Present: Bill Rucks. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Mike Toohey, to hire Melanie Hinson as Guidance Counselor for the remaining 2013-14 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to hire Andy Wallace as 2nd shift custodian for the remaining 2013-14 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to hire Jonathon Harvel as 1st shift custodian for the remaining 2013-14 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Mike Toohey, to hire Mary Osborne as 2nd shift custodian for the remaining 2013-14 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to approve Bethany Dulle as volunteer assistant coach for the high school volleyball team for the 2013-14 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: Bill Rucks and Jeff Beccue. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve Executive Session minutes as reviewed in Executive Session. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Todd Cyrulik, to adopt Consent Agenda items A & B:
A. Approve August 19, 2013 and August 29, 2013 minutes
B. Approve payment of bills

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: John Stewart. Motion carried.

The May sales tax revenue check has been received in the amount of \$21,633.43.

Mary Ellen Gass' Treasurer's bond limit has been amended due to it being set too high previously.

Angela Ford has made a FOIA request for the July 15, 2013, and August 19, 2013, School Board recordings and transcripts.

The District Crisis Plan meeting was held Friday, September 6, in the unit office. Those present were Lynn Freer, Steve Nichols, Sean Kindred, Chuck Cannon, Doug Martin, Todd Hamm, Terry Morgan, and Gene Newton. President Doug Martin thanked everyone for their help in getting the plan together.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to approve certified salaries for reporting purposes. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Hamm asked for patience with the bus transportation.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Mike Toohey, to adopt the Mt. Pulaski CUD #23 FY 2014 Budget. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Due to an emergency the representative from The Garland Company was unable to attend the meeting. It has been postponed until next month.

Air conditioning for the grade school was discussed with no action being taken.

The district has been looking to purchase lawn mowers. Two bids have been taken, one from Cross Brothers and the other from Richardson Repair Service. Only one mower will be purchased this year. A second one will be purchased next year.

Motion by John Stewart, second by Jeff Beccue, to purchase a mower, blade, and snow blower from Cross Brothers. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

A two year QNS history cost was presented to the Board. The final WiFi installment payment will be made in June 2014.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve the 2012-13 district audit as presented. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The Annual IASB Fall Dinner Meeting will be held on October 3, 2013 at Rochester C.U.S.D. 3A. Any Board member wanting to attend needs to call the unit office.

Superintendent Hamm proposed the purchase of a billboard promoting the \$462,000 awarded in grants and scholarships to the 2013 graduating class. The goal is to encourage more people to move into our district.

The Anderson Cob Plant will be doing some renovating for the next couple years. The company has contacted Superintendent Hamm about a possible place for parking and transportation of their workers for a three week period. Superintendent Hamm would like to tear down the tennis court and use that space. The Anderson Company will be charged a fee.

Principal Gene Newton stated the September Students of the Month are:

6th – Isabella Wade
7th – Garrett Skelton
8th – Faith Doerr

Principal Terry Morgan stated the September Student of the Month is Cady Lowery.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by John Stewart, to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Voice vote. All ayes.

Submitted by,

Anna Beckers
Recording Board Secretary