

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education  
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office  
February 18, 2014

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on February 18, 2014, at 4:30 p.m. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Mike Toohey, and Doug Martin. Absent was Jeff Beccue. Joe Olson came late. Also present were Superintendent Hamm, Principal Terry Morgan, and Principal Gene Newton.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Bill Rucks, to enter Executive Session for discussion of employment, evaluation of personnel, student discipline, property casualty insurance, and bus transportation. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, and Doug Martin. Motion carried.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by John Stewart, to exit Executive Session at 5:10 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 5:15 p.m.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by John Stewart, to approve Executive Session minutes are reviewed in Executive Session. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by John Stewart, second by Bill Rucks, to adopt Consent Agenda items A & B.

A. Approve January 20, 2014, Minutes

B. Approve Payment of Bills

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Kevin Handy, of Graham & Hyde Architects Inc. was unable to attend due to the time change of the Board Meeting.

The October Sales Tax Revenue in the amount of \$19,896.61 has come in.

The estimated best three months ADA was 463.87. We have lost 8 kids from last year.

An emergency snow plan has been instituted for days when the buses can't run the regular route safely. A notice will be put on the school website alerting parents when these routes will be in effect.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to set Mt. Pulaski Grade School graduation on May 23, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to set Mt. Pulaski High School graduation on May 24, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Hamm is asking that any Board member who is interested in going to the Abe Lincoln-IASB Spring Dinner Meeting, on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, to please let him know.

The Board discussed the condition of the gym floor at Mt. Pulaski Grade School. It needs to be sanded down and repainted. The graphics will be decided at a later date.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Mike Toohey, to accept the bid from D & K Bennett, Inc. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Hamm gave a presentation on the technology needed to update our school. Comcast provided a bid to increase bandwidth entering the grade school to 400 meg with a point to point connection to the high school at 200 meg. Increased bandwidth is required to support the Personalized Learning Initiative.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to accept the bid from Comcast. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: John Stewart. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to accept a three year lease with Apple for \$159,422.80. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: John Stewart. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Todd Cyrulik, to approve the Joint Agreement Resolution with Lincolnland Technical Education Center FY 2014-15. Roll call vote. Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The Hartsburg-Emden coop for girl's softball and basketball has been tabled until next month.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Bill Rucks, to approve the Anti-Bullying Policy – Section 7:20. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Mike Toohey, Bill Rucks, Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton reported the February Students of the Month are:

6<sup>th</sup> – Zachary Hinds

7<sup>th</sup> – Maggie Anderson

8<sup>th</sup> – Emily Wakeman

Principal Terry Morgan reported the February Senior of the Month is Brady Thomas. Due to the weather the Science Olympiad team did not travel to SIUE. The WYSE team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Regional. Julia Beccue placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Math and Chemistry, Elizabeth Allen placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Biology, Andrew Moody placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Engineering Graphics, Cady Lowery placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Computer Science, and Hannah Riedle and Maggie Olson tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in Computer Science. They will compete at Sectionals in Jacksonville on March 4, 2014.

Alec Hayes, Whitney Nichols, and Caroline Huff will compete in the 3-point shoot. Baseball and softball will begin in March. The Winter Sports Banquet will be held March 11, 2014, at 6:30.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Joe Olson, to adjourn at 6:34. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Anna Beckers  
School Board Secretary

