

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education  
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office  
January 19, 2015

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on January 19, 2015, at 6:00 P.M. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. Also present were Superintendent Hamm, Principal Terry Morgan, and Principal Gene Newton.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Bill Rucks, to enter Executive Session at 6:01 P.M., for discussion of employment, evaluation of personnel, student discipline, transportation, and negotiations. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Joe Olson, to exit Executive Session at 6:58 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to hire Lindsey Lex as the Jr. High girls' track coach for the 2014-15 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to adopt Consent Agenda items:

- A. Approve December 15, 2014 minutes
- B. Approve payment of bills

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

The September sales tax revenue was received in the amount of \$19,857.09.

An FOIA request was made and replied to.

The district will have six audits coming up. The following departments will be audited: General State Aid, Transportation – Special Education, Transportation – Regular and Vocational, Title I, Title II, and Teacher Retirement System. The state is auditing 100 schools this year.

On January 5<sup>th</sup>, as part of the Teacher Institute day, Sheriff Steve Nichols brought three men from his department for a mock drill. Twenty blank shots were fired in both the grade school and the high school so teachers could get an idea of what it sounds like in different parts of the buildings. This drill was in preparation for a shooting crisis.

Work on the old gym floor at the high school is complete. A thank you goes out to Todd Farris of Elkhart Grain for the use of their forklift to move the tiles, the shop class for putting the bleachers back, and to the people who gave their time to help install it. The Board would like to hold either the February or March Board Meeting at the high school so the public can tour the old building.

There were four bids submitted for property casualty insurance. American Central has the lowest bid.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to accept the bid from American Central in the amount of \$39,592.00. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

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

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Grant Davis
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade – Amelia Kuhlman
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade – Lorene Wilham

Mr. Newton would like to thank Shane Mulligan for the donations given to families in need. Mr. Mulligan has been doing this for several years.

Principal Terry Morgan reported the January Senior of the month is Blake Collier. Mr. Morgan would like to make a change in Math courses due to students not scoring high enough on the ACT or state tests. Basic Algebra, Basic Geometry, and Basic Algebra II would be added and eliminating Algebra 1A, Algebra 1B, and Integrated Math or Geometry.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Bill Rucks, to re-enter Executive Session at 7:51 P.M., for discussion of employment, evaluation of personnel, student discipline, transportation, and negotiations. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Todd Cyrulik, to exit Executive Session at 8:39 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Todd Cyrulik, Joe Olson, Mike Toohey, Jeff Beccue, Bill Rucks, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Todd Cyrulik, second by Jeff Beccue, to adjourn at 8:40 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Anna Beckers  
Recording Board Secretary