

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office
May 16, 2016

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on May 16, 2016, at 6:00 P.M. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. John Stewart was late. Also present were Superintendent Todd Hamm and Principals Terry Morgan and Gene Newton.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Charlie Hickey, to enter Executive Session at 6:01 P.M. for discussion of employment, litigation, and transportation. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Ashley Combs, to exit Executive Session at 7:04 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. 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: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Ashley Combs, to approve Consent Agenda items A, B, C, and D.

- A. Approve April 18, 2016, Meeting Minutes
- B. Approve payment of bills
- C. Sales Tax Revenue Report – January \$16,852.99
- D. IHSA Membership Renewal

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Hamm was asked to check into the cost of having a company come in to buff and wax all the floors and gyms in both buildings in order for the custodians to work on other projects needing done. The cost would be \$26,700.00. The Board decided on having only the gym floors done by D & K Bennett, Inc.

Next year Superintendent Hamm would like to have the gym floor at the high school redone. The Board will be looking at new designs for the floor.

Deanne Mott stated that the district logo was in need of updating. She presented the Board with some samples that Tracy Dyer came up with.

The Bus Barn will have the doors painted this summer. The Board was asked if they would like to change the name of the building. It was agreed to keep it as The Bus Barn.

There have been some changes to Student Discipline – Senate Bill 100. SB 100 restricts the authority of school districts to suspend and expel students and imposes new requirements in those cases where school removal will still be allowed.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to hire Carly Powell as 3rd grade teacher. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to hire Mindy Switzer, as K-8 PE/ELA teacher. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Charlie Hickey – present. No nay. Motion carried.

Ag-Land FS, Inc. quoted the price of \$1.70 a gallon for 3,000 gallons of gas and a price of \$1.84 a gallon for 17,000 gallons of diesel.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to approve the gas contract with Ag-Land FS, Inc. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

New carpet will be installed at the grade school in the office and pod area. Stewart's Carpet Center had the lowest bid.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Charlie Hickey, to approve the carpet bid from Stewart's Carpet Center. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. John Stewart – Present. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve changes to the 2016-17 Student Handbook. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Ashley Combs, to re-hire Anna Beckers as Recording Board Secretary. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to pass the Prevailing Wage Resolution. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton reported the May Students of the Month are

6th – Cassidy Clark

7th – Konjit Mott

8th – Kaylee Wilham

The Most Improved Students of the Semester are

6th - Toby Pal

7th – Alyssa Tibbs

8th – Shaun Berry

The new curtains have been installed on the stage in the gym. Thanks to Glenn Shanle, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Olson, Tiffany Kretzinger, Jay & Sophie Haigh, Andy & Jamie Vaughan, and Cheryl McCue for planting the hosta in front of the grade school.

Principal Terry Morgan reported the May Senior of the Month is Kamryn Aylesworth.

The Senior of the Year and Valedictorian is Brian Batchelder. Salutatorian is Elizabeth Siebert.

Upcoming Events:

May 17 & 18 – Senior Final Exams

May 18 – Baccalaureate at 7:00 P.M. in the Family Life Center

May 19 – Senior Trip to Six Flags, Gurnee, Illinois

May 23 – Graduation at 4:00 P.M.

May 27 & 31 – Final Exams

Mr. Wyatt Waterkotte has been selected as a Master Adviser of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America for accomplishments as an FCCLA adviser and Family and Consumer Sciences professional.

Mr. Waterkotte will be recognized at the 2016 National Leadership Conference in San Diego, California, and is one of 110 recipients who will be honored at the State and chapter Adviser Recognition Session of Thursday, July 7th.


Congratulations to Mr. Waterkotte!!

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Charlie Hickey, to adjourn at 7:51 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anna Beckers".

Anna Beckers
Recording Board Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Olson".