

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education  
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office  
September 19, 2016

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order in Open Session on September 19, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. Also present were Superintendent Hamm, Principal Terry Morgan, and Principal Gene Newton.

President Martin opened the Budget Hearing at 7:01 P.M. Superintendent Hamm gave a presentation on the budget. The Board and the public were asked if there were any questions. President Martin then closed the meeting at 7:07 P.M.

The Inter-Fund Transfer Meeting was opened at 7:08 P.M. A transfer of funds is needed for repair work being done in the district. The Meeting was closed at 7:09 P.M.

Deanne Mott presented the Educator of the Quarter and Support Staff of the Semester Awards. The Educator of the Quarter went to Rob Siebert. Cindy Stoll was presented the Support Staff of the Semester Award. Congratulations to Rob and Cindy!

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

- A. Approve August 15, 2016, Meeting Minutes
- B. Approve August 29, 2016, Meeting Minutes
- C. Approve Payment of Bills
- D. Sales Tax Revenue Report – May \$20,915.32
- E. Certified Employees Salary Reporting FY 2016

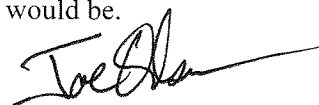
Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Kevin Handy was present to talk to the Board and give some direction in regards to the future of the buildings in the district. A couple things needing to be done in the near future are new windows and some asbestos removal. If the old building at the high school is going to be torn down, we need to decide how many classrooms are being used and how many will be needed. With the condition of the boilers and the aging pipes at the high school building, the Board would like to see what is needed to have geothermal installed in the district. John Stewart added the condition of the toilets and fixtures in the district need attention as well. Automatic flushers and faucets would be nice, he stated.

The sidewalk project behind the grade school has been completed. The cost of the sidewalk was originally going to be split between the city and the district. The city, however, agreed to pay for the sidewalk and the district was to pay for replacement of the fencing. With the cost of the sidewalk going over budget, the District was asked to help cover some of cost. Superintendent Hamm feels \$2,000 would be a fair amount to help offset the cost. The Board was in agreement.

Brent Grisham addressed the Board in regards to mascots and logos used for the district. He feels that when asked what our schools mascot and logos are he isn't sure what to say. There have been too many different types used over the years. He would like to see one mascot and logo used in each building. Mr. Grisham had an example for each building that was presented to the Board. Upon viewing the drawings, the Board would like to see more options.

Doug Martin suggested a Wall of Fame at the high school. He felt it would be nice to have outstanding athletes from years past recognized. The Board was in favor but questioned what the qualifications would be.



Motion by Joe Olson, second by Charlie Hickey, to approve the 2016-2017 Budget. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to hire Shelley Daigh as JV Softball coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by John Stewart, to hire Bethany Dulle as MPGS Assistant Volleyball coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Ashley Combs. Motion failed 4-3.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Ashley Combs, to allow the use of water bottles at MPCUD schools. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve Fout Construction Bid. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve DL Electric Bid. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton reported there are 34 students signed up for band in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. A total of 117 students are in band this year. This year we will not be doing Students of the Month. We will be doing SWAT (Students Who Always Try) every quarter. It is an incentive program that promotes respect, academics, attendance, preparedness, and behavior. Students who meet the requirements will be awarded a quarterly "outing". It is open to all students' grades 6-8.

Principal Terry Morgan reported the Senior of the Month for September is Lucas Aylesworth. Homecoming Dance is Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, October, 6, and Friday, October 7. PSAT testing for juniors will be October 19<sup>th</sup>. The FFA National Convention will be held October 20-22 in Indianapolis, IN. The end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter is Friday, October 21.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue, to enter into Executive Session at 7:57 P.M., for discussion of employment. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

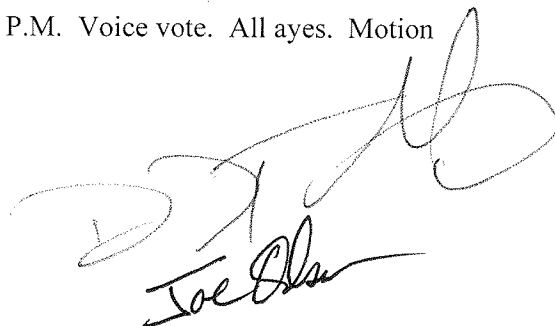
Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Charlie Hickey, to exit Executive Session at 8:25 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Deanne Mott, to approve Executive Session minutes as reviewed in Executive Session. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, John Stewart, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Charlie Hickey, second by Ashley Combs, to adjourn at 8:26 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

  
Anna Beckers  
Recording Board Secretary

  
Joe Olson