

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education  
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office  
December 18, 2017

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on December 18, 2017, at 6:08 P.M. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. Also present were, Superintendent Hamm, Principal Gene Newton, and Principal Terry Morgan.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Aaron Wilham, to enter into Executive Session at 6:09 P.M. for discussion of Employment, Superintendent Evaluation, and Special Education Students. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Aaron Wilham, second by Eric Cowan, to exit Executive Session at 6:34 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

The Tax Levy Hearing was opened at 7:00 P.M. Superintendent Hamm gave a report. The meeting closed at 7:02 P.M.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to adopt Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.

- A. Approve November 20, 2017, Meeting Minutes
- B. Approve December 11, 2017, Meeting Minutes
- C. Approve December 18, 2017, Executive Session Minutes
- D. Sales Tax Revenue Report - \$20,218.35
- E. Approve Payment of Bills
- F. Approve Social Media Request Form
- G. Approve Lead Test Results

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Brent Grisham addressed the Board regarding new sound systems in the gymnasiums. He has received bids from Center Stage of Monmouth, Inc. and Milam Audio. Center Stage had the lower bid. They can use existing equipment as well as move pieces from gym to gym to cut some of the cost. Brent has asked Tomlinson Trust for \$10,000.00 toward the project. He has also asked for assistance from the coaches. The total cost of the project is around \$41,000.00.

The district has had a physical trainer provided by Springfield Memorial Hospital at no charge for several years. That program is no longer available. With so much focus on the concussions, Brent feels the district is in need of an athletic trainer. He has been in contact with Illinois State University regarding their graduate assistant program. Through this program they will send a fully licensed trainer to our school at a cost. There are two options to choose from. Option #1 would run from August 1<sup>st</sup>-May 1<sup>st</sup>, trainer will spend 20 hours a week at the school, trainer would be here before, during and after home games. The cost would be \$14,080.00. Option #2 would be the same with the exception of only being at the school 10 hours a week and covering only sporting events at the cost of \$7,040.00. This is only for high school athletes.

There will be a Community Engagement Meeting on January 3, 2018, at 6:00 P.M., in the high school cafeteria. Kevin Handy as well as Kevin Wills will be present to speak on the building project and answer any questions.

The stairs have been replaced on the north side of the grade school. After having some water fountains come back with lead content filters have been installed on them.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to approve swimming co-op. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve Tax Levy. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Seniority Report. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Charlie Hickey, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve salary increases as presented. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. Deanne Mott, present. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Charlie Hickey, to grant Tenure to Brian Erlenbush. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to hire Tucker Hoe as full time custodian. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton extended his thanks to Shane Mulligan for his generous donations to help needy families in the community. Shane is an alumni of Mt. Pulaski High School.

Principal Terry Morgan reported the Senior of the Month for December is Abby Howard.

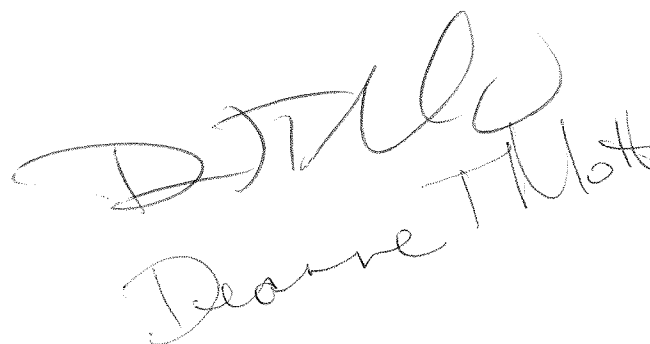
Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, and Mr. Hamm all attended the annual conference held in Chicago. Mr. Hamm and Jeff Beccue gave a presentation, Salary Schedule Friend or Foe.

Motion by Charlie Hickey, second by Deanne Mott, to adjourn at 7:52 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



Anna Beckers  
Recording Board Secretary



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Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

Doug Martin called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. in the unit office. Roll call was taken. Those present were Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, and Doug Martin. Eric Cowan was late. Also present were, Superintendent Hamm, Louis Volle, and Gene Schoth.

Tim Erickson from Core Construction was present to talk with the Board. He spoke about the reputation of the company and how long they've been in business, as well as work they've done in the area. Core Construction is a construction management business. He explained how they would like to get in early on the planning stages of the new building to help get what they want.

Tim said they would be in charge of bidding work out. He also stated they would be onsite every day. Having had experience they know how to deal with security during construction, students testing, and how to keep water off the building while constructing.

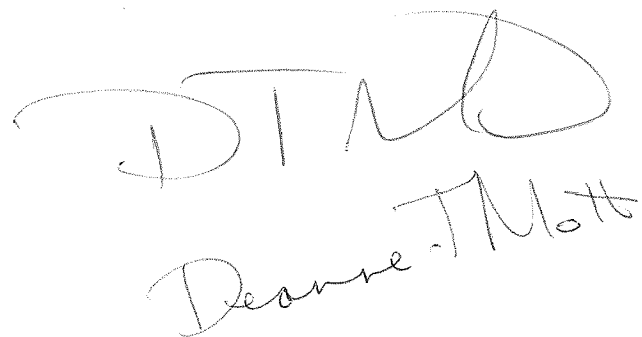
Core Construction has virtual capabilities to show what the building would look like on the outside and inside of the proposed new building.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Ashley Combs, to adjourn at 6:08 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



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Recording Board Secretary



Deanne Mott