

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office
March 19, 2018

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on March 19, 2018, in the unit office at 5:00 P.M. Roll call was taken. Present were Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. Ashley Combs was late. Also present were Superintendent Hamm, Principal Terry Morgan, and Principal Gene Newton.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Charlie Hickey to enter Executive Session at 5:01 P.M. for discussion of Employment, School Safety, and Special Education Student. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Aaron Wilham, second by Jeff Beccue, to exit Executive Session at 6:02 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

President Martin re-opened the meeting in Open Session at 6:06 P.M.

The Board invited the 7th grade state champion volleyball team to the meeting. President Martin, on behalf of the Board, congratulated the girls on a job well done. Coach Dulle stated it takes the whole team to win, not just the starters.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to adopt Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D, and E.

- A. Approve February 20, 2018, Meeting Minutes
- B. Approve March 19, 2018, Executive Session Minutes
- C. Sales Tax Revenue Report - \$20,749.11
- D. Approve Payment of Bills
- E. Approve Social Media Request Form

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

Deanne Mott reported on the Joint Communications Committee. They discussed having two separate handbooks for the grade school and high school. No decision has been made on Algebra 1 as a high school credit when taken in 8th grade. The question of how many safety drills should be held and time of day they're held was also a topic of discussion.

Brent Grisham proposed a \$50.00 individual pass for sporting events. When the family passes were started our students had to pay admission. Since then, our students do not have to pay so he felt a single admission would be more sensible. He also brought up the Logan County tournaments and how the coaches would like to get away from it. Girls' basketball, boys' basketball, and volleyball all have a number of matches allowed per season. Being in the Logan County tournament, the teams are not able to play the maximum number of matches allowed.

An isolated leak has been found in an underground pipe at the high school. E.L. Pruitt has been contacted to fix it. Louis Volle would like to move his office to the shed behind the high school. Power will need to be run to the shed.

The location of a new lift at the grade school has not been determined. In efforts to try and make the school more secure, the district is looking at new windows and doors being installed as well as more cameras being added to both schools. Mr. Hamm would like to replace the windows in the cafeteria, pre-k room, unit office, kitchen, band/chorus rooms, stairwell, and rear entrance. Sturdier doors will be replacing the doors going into the pod

one going into the band/chorus hallway, and another going into the library. It was suggested to see what can be done in the pod area to section the rooms off and have doors put on them.

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

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

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Charlie Hickey, to approve custodian increases as presented. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. Deanne Mott- Present. Motion carried

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

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Kyle Lucas as full-time custodian at MPHS. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Ashley Combs, to grant tenure to Rachel Grunder. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. Aaron Wilham – Present. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve Resolution to dismiss MPHS Special Education teacher. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. Answering nay, Aaron Wilham. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Ashley Combs, to hire Ashley Burgard as MPGS ECE/PRE-K teacher for 2018-2019 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to hire Jessica Awe as MPGS 5th grade teacher for 2018-2019 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to hire Jenna Kloba as MPGS Reading/Language Arts teacher for 2018-2019 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to approve Chad Cooper as MPHS assistant softball coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton reported the Band/Chorus contest took place February 9th. The Logan County Music Festival will be held at MPHS on March 27th for 7th & 8th grade. The Science/Art Fair is scheduled for April 12th.

Principal Terry Morgan reported the Senior of the Month is Olivia Letterle. The school play was well attended. There were 13 students who went to Washington, DC from March 11-16. The blood drive had 41 pints of blood given.

Upcoming events are:

- March 26 FFA/Coop Banquet
- April 2 FCCLA Trivia Night
- April 10 SAT testing @ Family Life Center
PSAT for sophomores
PAST 8/9 for Freshmen
- April 13 FCCLA State Conference
- April 14 FCCLA State Conference
- April 18 Teens, Trucks, & Traffic (Sophomores & Juniors)

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham to re-enter Executive Session at 7:00 P.M. for discussion of Employment, School Safety, and Special Education Student. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Aaron Wilham, second by Charlie Hickey, to exit Executive Session at 8:07 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Charlie Hickey, second by Aaron Wilham, to adjourn at 8:08 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



Anna Beckers

