

Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #23 Board of Education
Mt. Pulaski Unit Office
August 20, 2018

President Doug Martin called the meeting to order on August 20, 2018, in the unit office at 6:00 P.M. Roll call was taken. Those present were Charlie Hickey, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. Ashley Combs entered late. Charlie Hickey left at 6:55 P.M. due to illness.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to enter Executive Session at 6:01 P.M. for discussion of Employment and Student Discipline. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to exit Executive Session at 6:55 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

President Martin re-opened the meeting in open session at 7:03 P.M.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to hire Phil Shelton as Interim Superintendent for 120 days. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Charlie Hickey, Eric Cowan, Jeff Beccue, and Doug Martin. Answering nay: Aaron Wilham and Deanne Mott. Ashley Combs- Present. Motion carried.

Doug, on behalf of the Board, welcomed Phil Shelton. Mr. Shelton stated he will work hard for the District.

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

- A. Approve July 16, 2018, Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Approve July 30, 2018, Board Meeting Minutes
- C. Approve August 6, 2018, Board Meeting Minutes
- D. Approve August 20, 2018, Executive Session Minutes
- E. Sales Tax Revenue Report – July \$21,195.79
- F. Approve Payment of Bills
- G. Approve Transportation Hazard

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

Brent Grisham reported on the scoreboard and sound system. He said the company that was going to provide the scorer's table is no longer offering that program.

Brent put in a request over a year and a half ago to Tomlinson Trust for help purchasing a sound system. They are not going to help this year, but he can put in a request next year. He stated it will cost the school more money if going ahead with the project. The speakers at the high school can be used at the grade school with a good amplifier. Doug would like to see how the money situation is after the renovations at the grade school.

Eric Cowan would like Brent to get an estimate on lighting at Veteran's Park. Brent stated the Park District doesn't have the money due to the installation of the pool. Deanne Mott remarked the track is still needing to be redone. Brent said it would cost around \$650,000.00 for an 8 lane track.

Louis Volle said all 8 bathrooms are completed and 2 main shut off valves have been installed. The windows are all in except for one in the Pre-k room. There was a mistake in measuring. The lift has been installed and inspected. The old lift will be left in place for the year just to make sure there are no problems. Doug, along with the Board, thanked the custodians for all their hard work this summer and for the work on the playground.

Graham & Hyde gave an updated drawing on the proposed building to the Board. Tim Erickson, of Core Construction, commented on the community meeting held on July 30, 2018. There were about 10 people present.

He hopes to get more community involvement. The next meeting will be August 28, 2018. The place is yet to be determined.

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

Tom Leahy, from IASB, has been in contact with the Board. He would like to help with the selection of a new superintendent. The basic cost to use their services is \$6,400.00. When hired he will post the position on websites, put a survey out on SurveyMonkey.com, and help with interviews.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve the Illinois Association of School Boards to conduct a superintendent search. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Ashley Combs, to set the Budget Hearing for Monday, September 24, 2018. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Kayla Awe as MPGS Aide. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to approve Jackie Hagan as MPGS Aide. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to approve Brady Thomas as MPHS volunteer soccer coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Nate Dyer as MPHS volunteer soccer coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to approve Carly Powell as MPGS cheer co-coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Kristi Mercer as MPGS cheer co-coach. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to approve Mindy Switzer as MPGS door monitor. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Eric Cowan, to approve Jennifer Bone as MPGS door monitor. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Gene Newton reported we scored above average on the Kindergarten Individual Development Survey (KIDS). Open house will be August 21, 2018, from 6:00-7:00 P.M. The playground has been installed, and he extends his thanks to PASE.

Principal Terry Morgan reported there are 10 new students enrolled at the high school. There will be a guest speaker to speak on bullying.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to re-enter Executive Session at 8:03 P.M. for discussion of employment. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

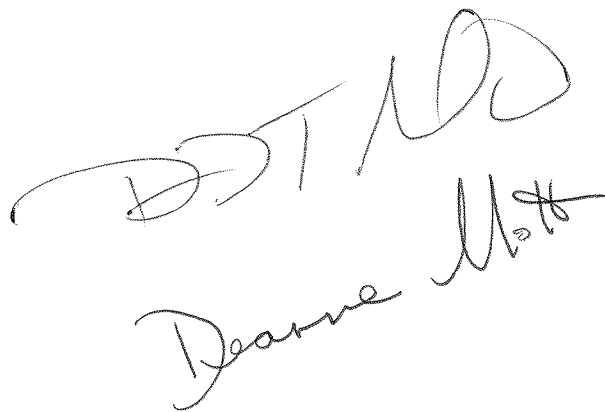
Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Aaron Wilham, to exit Executive Session at 8:34 P.M. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Ashley Combs, Eric Cowan, Aaron Wilham, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanne Mott, second by Jeff Beccue, to adjourn at 8:35 P.M. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



Anna Beckers
Recording Board Secretary



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Deanne Mott