

**MT. PULASKI COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #23
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY MAY 19, 2008
6:00 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Executive Session (Evaluation, Employment, Compensation, Dismissal of Personnel, Transportation Contract, Litigation)**
- IV. Recognition of the Public**
- V. Adoption of Consent Agenda**
 - A. Approve April 21, 2008 Minutes**
 - B. Approve Payment of Bills**
- VI. Reports**
 - A. Graduation Dates: High School Saturday, May 31-7 p.m., Grade School Friday, May 30, 7 p.m.**
 - B. Bonnie Wachter – FCCLA Update**
 - C. Heath Houck – FFA and Ag Program Report**
 - D. State Fair Trams**
 - E. Teacher Retirement Luncheon – May 27, Bonanza in Lincoln 12:30 p.m.**
- VII. Unfinished Business**
 - A. Building Maintenance Priorities**
 - B. Tri-City – Mt. Pulaski Soccer Co-op Renewal**
- VIII. New Business**
 - A. Technology & Network Service 2008-09**
- IX. Items of Information**
- X. Adjournment**

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President Meister called the meeting to order on May 19, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Answering present: David Meister, Julian Wubben, Doug Martin, Joe Olson, Diane Deppe, Jeff Haley, and Mike Toohey. Superintendent Phil Shelton and Principals Gene Newton and Scott Doerr were also present.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Jeff Haley to enter Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for evaluation, employment, compensation, dismissal of personnel, transportation contract, litigation, and Special Education. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Doug Martin to exit Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 7:08 p.m.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to accept the retirement letter of ECE teacher Sandy Elsasser effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to employ two student workers for the summer starting June 2nd. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to accept the resignation of John Niebrugge as High School Math teacher and Assistant Boys Basketball Coach effective the end of the school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to accept Gale Clark's resignation as Grade School Baseball Co-Coach effective the end of the school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to hire Brandy Westen as Grade School P.E. and Health teacher for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Doug Martin to hire Amy Dyer as Early Childhood Block Grant funded Part-time Parent Coordinator for the salary of \$13 an hour, six hours or less per day, five days or less per week for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Joe Olson to approve the salary adjustment for Grade School Special Ed Aide Jason Beard. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to approve the semi-annual review of Executive Session minutes and the recommendation to keep all Executive Session minutes confidential. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Diane Deppe to approve Executive Session minutes as reviewed tonight. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Julian Wubben, second by Doug Martin to adopt the Consent Agenda:

A. Approve April 21, 2008 Minutes

B. Approve Payment of Bills

Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

Four High School FCCLA members addressed the Board by individually reading a review of their activities and accomplishments this past year. The Board thanked sponsor Bonnie Wachter for making the program successful and the members for their report. Mrs. Wachter thanked the administrators and the Board for their continued support of the program.

High School FFA sponsor and Ag teacher Heath Houck highlighted for the Board some of the activities the FFA had been involved in this past year, alumni involvement, and the Ag student's accomplishments.

Superintendent Phil Shelton commended both Mrs. Wachter and Mr. Heath for their leadership and all the work they do in making these two programs successful. He said both are doing an excellent job.

David Meister reported on the new State law requiring the Boosters to provide background checks on all State Fair tram volunteers age 17 or older. The Illinois State Police have agreed to do the background checks at no cost. He has been told there will be background spot checking during the Fair to make sure this requirement has been met.

There will be a retirement luncheon for Grade School teachers Joy Hild and Lynn McConkey on Tuesday, May 27th, 12:30 p.m., at the Bonanza restaurant in Lincoln. Board members are invited.

Building maintenance priorities were discussed with work to be done within the framework of money available. Priorities will be set when the District has the funds. Superintendent Phil Shelton will have the architect bring in an engineer to do a cost study for rerouting of hot water pipes at the High School.

Motion by Mike Toohey, second by Julian Wubben to renew the two-year Soccer co-op with Tri-City. Roll call vote. Answering aye: Joe Olson, Jeff Haley, Mike Toohey, Diane Deppe, Doug Martin, Julian Wubben, and David Meister. No nay. Motion carried.

There will be a Girl's Basketball program at the High School next year, but whether or not there will be a Softball program will be decided at a later date. Due to the marginal numbers for the Jr. High Softball program, the continuation of this program may also be looked at after the completion of next year's season.

Steve Becker, the District's technology service trouble shooter, has taken a job at Lincoln High School as their Technology Coordinator. Therefore, the District will be looking at hiring another company to do our technology repair and network management.

Motion by Jeff Haley, second by Diane Deppe to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Voice vote. All aye. No nay. Motion carried.

Submitted By

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