

**Mt. Pulaski Community Unit District #12 Board of Education**  
**Mt. Pulaski Unit Office**  
**September 21, 2015**

President Doug Martin opened the Budget Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on September 21, 2015 in the Unit Office. Roll call was taken. Present were John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. Also present were Superintendent Hamm, Principal Terry Morgan and Principal Gene Newton.

Superintendent Hamm gave a presentation on the district's finances. The Budget Hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m. with no further comments from the public.

President Doug Martin then called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

Michael Copley addressed the board during Recognition of Public and spoke on student discipline and student safety.

At this time, Mrs. Bill Rucks and daughter, Kristin Rucks were presented with a clock in recognition of Bill Ruck's school board years of service.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue to approve Consent Agenda items A, B, C,& D.

- A. Approve August 17, 2015 & September 1, 2015 minutes
- B. Approve payment of bills
- C. Sales Tax Revenue for May 2015 -\$23,559.39
- D. Certified Employees Salary Reporting FY2015

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

The District Crisis Plan meeting was held September 14, 2015, in the Unit Office. Those present were Scott Brown, Todd Hamm, Terry Morgan, Gene Newton, Sean Kindred, Mark Landers and Chuck Cannon. Superintendent Hamm explained and demonstrated the Crisis-Go Plan. Crisis-Go is an Emergency application that allow school district administrators and teachers access to their emergency response plans on their mobile devices.

Principal Morgan explained the ACT test scores. A hand out was given. He is very pleased with Mt. Pulaski High School's scores as compared to the State levels.

The IEA/NEA Freedom of Information Act request was discussed. It was made mention that there were several errors and would be resent with corrections.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Ashley Combs to approve the 2015-2016 School District Budget. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson, and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Superintendent Hamm shared the preliminary Audit Report with the board and he reported that the district has been awarded a "Financial Recognition" score of 3.90 which is up from 3.45 the prior year from the Illinois State Board of Education.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Ashley Combs to hire James Fagan as High School Head Custodian for the 2015-2016 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Deanne Mott to hire Sue Snelson as special education teacher aide for the 2015-2016 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Charlie Hickey to approve Garrett LaVault as volunteer helper for high school soccer for the 2015-2016 school year. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Principal Newton shared with the board how well the breakfast program is going in the grade school. He also mentioned that there is 100% participation in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade band program per Mr. Helm. September Students of the Month are 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Joseph Roemer, 7<sup>th</sup> grade – Alethia Woodford and 8<sup>th</sup> grade – Amelia Kuhlman.

Principal Morgan shared that the high school breakfast participation was averaging 18-20 students daily. Brian Batchelder was "Student of the Month". The high school student count at this time, is 180 students enrolled. He also mentioned that Chief of Police Freer has visited the high school at random times.

Motion by Joe Olson, second by Jeff Beccue to enter Executive Session for the discussion of employment, Open Meeting Act-Exception 10 Placement of Individual student and special education programs and other matters relating to individual students and Executive Session minutes. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Charlie Hickey to exit Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Stewart, Jeff Beccue, Deanne Mott, Charlie Hickey, Ashley Combs, Joe Olson and Doug Martin. No nay. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Jeff Beccue, second by Ashley Combs, to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

*Mary Ellen Gass*

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Acting Recording Board Secretary

*Joe Olson*

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