



Mt. Vernon Township High School District #201
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
January 18, 2010 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Goodwine who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members answering roll call were: Kim Alvis, Pat Garrett, Jon Hawthorne, Carl Miller, and Karen Goodwine. Absent were Cynthia Davis and Robert Stewart. Also present were Superintendent Michael Smith, Principal Ron Daniels, Assistant Principal Tammy Beckham, Assistant Principal Melanie Gulley, Assistant Principal Susan Talley, Board Secretary Shirilyn Holt, media and guests.

Executive Session:

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Alvis to approve moving into executive closed session at 7:05 p.m. in accordance with school board policy 2:220 – E2 item # 1, the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee for the District to determine its validity: 5 ILSC 120/2C (1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057 and item #2, collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILSC 120/3(c)(2).

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

Open Session:

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Alvis to approve moving out of executive closed session at 7:50 p.m.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

Reports of Committees

A. Finance Committee

The committee met on January 11th.

Financial Reports – Bills and Payroll

Bills were reviewed by the finance committee. Bills were in an amount of \$738,604.00 this included no Bond and Interest payment, \$500,000 payment on TAWs, and P-Card procurements of \$2,961 and payroll in an amount of \$693,978. This total also included an amount of \$36,884 for compensation above contracted amounts through January 5, 2010 for a variety of reasons such as driver ed., subs, athletic workers, overtime, student workers, temporary help, and meeting attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning checking balance of \$2,348,242

Revenue of \$3,433,710

Expenditures of \$1,314,888

Transfers from Savings of \$0

PMA Investment Transfer of \$0

Ending checking balance December 31, 2009 of \$4,467,064

Ending savings and investments December 31, 2009 of \$65,450
Total cash balance December 31, 2009 of \$4,532,515
Total outstanding liabilities December 31, 2009 of \$1,697,467
Total unencumbered fund balance December 31, 2009 of \$2,835,047

Activity Funds

Activity fund beginning balance of \$177,144
Deposits of \$29,813
Debits of \$43,956
Ending balance December 31 of \$163,001

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8th at 6:00 p.m.

“RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WAS TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS, BILLS, PAYROLL, and TREASURER’S REPORT for December 2009 as action items later in the meeting as presented by the administration and reviewed by the FINANCE COMMITTEE.”

B. Building Committee

The committee did not meet.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8th at 5:30 p.m.

C. Policy Committee

The committee met on January 11th.
The committee reviewed and approved recommendation for adoption of the seven remaining second quarter policy revisions from last month.
There was a new set of third quarter policy revisions presented for first reading this evening.
A summary of the last TAG meeting with the School Board Association was presented. The next meeting with the IASB representative has been rescheduled from January 25th to February 24th from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8th at 7:00 p.m.

D. Curriculum Committee

The committee met on January 11th.
The committee discussed several areas at their meeting. The principal presented the school improvement plan revision highlights. Departmental work regarding curriculum alignment was presented and discussed. A structure for a data based student academic intervention process was presented.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8th at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT – No public input

STAFF INPUT –

HOSA (HHealth Occupations Student Association) Scholarship

HOSA Teacher Laura Ing spoke regarding the Darlene Franscavitch HOSA Scholarship. The proposal is a \$500 scholarship funded through HOSA fundraisers.

BOARD INPUT – No Board input

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Principal Daniels spoke regarding:

- The School Improvement Plan Revisions
- Measurable outcomes to improve attendance and tardies.
- Parent notifications sent out regarding AYP.

B. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Superintendent Smith spoke regarding:

- Project Lead the Way page
- Race to the Top
- January 2010 Dashboard
- Financial Projections- Staffing Levels- Fees 2010-2011

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

December 21, 2009 Regular Meeting Open Session

B. Minutes

December 21, 2009 Regular Meeting Closed Session

C. School Improvement Plan Revisions

D. Local 4818 Scholarship

Action on this item approved the proposed student scholarship as presented by the district's custodial and maintenance union in December.

E. HOSA Scholarship

Action approved the student scholarship as presented by the HOSA representatives.

F. Freedom of Information Act Officer

Action approved Board Secretary Shirilyn Holt as District 201 Freedom of Information Act Officer.

G. HOSA State Leadership Conference

Action approved members of the HOSA activity to attend the Annual Illinois Leadership Conference March 18-20th 2010. This is an overnight trip and as such requires board approval. Expenses are covered by Activity Funds raised through fundraising efforts.

H. Financial Reports and Bills December 2009

Action on this item approved the financial report, bills, and payroll as reviewed by the finance committee.

I. Treasurer's Report December 2009

Action on this item approved the treasurer's report as reviewed by the finance committee.

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Miller to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Miller, Garrett, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

ACTION ITEMS

A. First Reading of Illinois Association of School Boards Policy Updates for the Third Quarter 2009-2010

Action approved the first reading of the PRESS summary supplied by the Illinois Association of School Boards. The enclosed policies will be further reviewed and recommended for adoption at the second reading next month.

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of the selected quarterly board policy updates as provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards and as presented this evening.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Miller, Alvis, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

B. Third Reading and Adoption of Illinois Association of School Boards Selected Policy Updates for the Second Quarter 2009-2010

Action approved portions of the PRESS summary supplied by the Illinois Association of School Boards of some selected policy revisions presented for second reading last month.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Garrett to approve the third reading and adoption of the selected quarterly board policy updates as provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards and as presented this evening.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

C. Employment of English Teacher

Action approved the employment of Lindsey Applebee as English Teacher. This was the position left open by the internal filling of the new grant funded Reading Specialist position.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Garrett to approve the employment of Lindsey Applebee as English Teacher.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

D. Employment of Data Clerk

Action approved Virginia Williamson as District Data Clerk. This is a new grant funded position which assists in the management of student data and serve as a help desk specialist in the Technology Department.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Garrett to approve the employment of Virginia Williamson as District Data Clerk.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

E. Request for Family and Medical Leave

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Alvis to approve the authorizing of Family and Medical Leave beginning December 11, 2009 for up to 12 weeks for a special education aide.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Alvis, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

F. Eastern Illinois University Student Teacher Agreement

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Miller to approve the student teacher agreement with Eastern Illinois University.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Miller, Garrett, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

Adjournment

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Miller to approve adjourning the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Miller, Alvis, Hawthorne, Goodwine. Absent were Davis and Stewart)

Karen Goodwine, Board President

Shirilyn Holt, Board Secretary

Date Signed