



Mt. Vernon Township High School District #201
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
July 19, 2010
7:00 P.M.

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

Reports of Committees

Dr. Smith gave a short report on each of the committees that met during July. He also mentioned the new on-line Purchase Order system and the new on-line student system.

A. Finance Committee

The committee met on July 12th.

Financial Reports – Bills and Payroll

Treasurer's Report

Beginning checking balance of \$1,590,415.07

Revenues of \$1,189,293.30

Expenditures of \$1,236,149.72

Transfers from Savings of \$0

PMA Investment Transfer of \$0

Ending checking balance June 30, 2010 of \$1,543,588.65

Ending savings and investments June 30, 2010 of \$157,305.02

Total cash balance June 30, 2010 of \$1,700,863.67

Total outstanding liabilities June 30, 2010 of - \$500,000 People's Bank and + \$183,184 Area Vocational Center in the Ed Fund and + \$13,109.06 in the IMRF Fund

Total unencumbered fund balance June 30, 2010 of \$1,397,149.71

Activity Funds

Activity fund beginning balance of \$132,233.93

Deposits of \$17,401.46

Debits of \$29,530.95

Ending balance June 30, 2010 of \$120,104.44

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

B. Building Committee

Superintendent Smith gave a short update on the August 11th and 12th meetings. Starting times will be 5:00 pm

Dr. Smith stated the committee met on June 24th to receive an update on the ongoing facility feasibility study. The latest upgrades to the four conceptual drawings were reviewed. An update on the construction analyst selection process was also delivered.

C. Policy Committee

The committee did not meet. The entire board met to discuss policy as it related to the delivery of instruction as part of the ongoing TAG training with the school board association on Tuesday, July 13, 2010.

The committee discussed a new weighted grade procedure and conducted a review and needed revisions for consistency of the current graduation requirement policy and corresponding handbook sections.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

D. Curriculum Committee:

The committee did not meet. The entire board met as mentioned under policy committee report to discuss instructional practice and its link to board policy. The board will continue the dialogue with the Illinois Association of School Boards and stakeholders to address the delivery of instruction through the TAG process.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT – There was no public input

STAFF INPUT – There was no staff input.

BOARD INPUT – President Goodwine mentioned the form for master board member credits to be turned in before the end of July.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Principal Daniels mentioned the following:

- 20 staff members are out visiting incoming freshmen student's parents. There are approximately 350 incoming freshman.
- School registration will be the first week of August.
- Interviews have started for assistant principal positions.
- Assistant Principal Tammy Beckham is back in the hospital.

B. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Superintendent Smith handed out Board Goals for the board members to review.

Assistant Principal Knutson spoke regarding the explore test which was given to incoming freshman which targets English, Math, Reading, and Science.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

June 3, 2010 Special Meeting Open Session

B. Minutes

June 14, 2010 Special Meeting Open Session

C. Minutes

June 14, 2010 Special Meeting Closed Session

D. Minutes

June 21, 2010 Regular Meeting Open Session

- E. Minutes
June 21, 2010 Regular Meeting Closed Session
- F. Granting of Easement Request by City of Mt. Vernon
As discussed last meeting, the city is making a request for an easement along the southern boundary of the school property for the installation of a storm drain. The administration is recommending granting the easement to school property
- G. Youth in Government Sponsors
Action approves Jessica Pilson as Youth in Government Sponsor and Sean Docherty as Assistant Sponsor. Both are stipend positions as per the negotiated contract.
- H. Football Assistant Coaches
Action approves Ed Doty and Nick Bradford as replacements for Scott Tickner (they will split the one stipend for the position) and Adam Robinson as a volunteer (unpaid) assistant coach.
- I. Freshman Basketball Coach
Action approves Brad Beaty as Freshman Basketball Coach.
- J. Employee Resignations
Action approves the resignation of Melanie Gulley as Assistant Principal, the resignation of Steven Odle as Skills USA sponsor and the resignation of Assistant Principal Susan Talley.
- K. Financial Reports and Bills June 2010
Action on this item approves the financial report, bills, and payroll as reviewed by the finance committee.
- L. Treasurer's Report June 2010
Action on this item approves the treasurer's report as reviewed by the finance committee.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Davis to approve the consent agenda items as presented. The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine. Absent was Alvis).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Stewart to approve moving into executive closed session at 7:45 p.m. in accordance with school board policy 2:220 – E2 item # 1, Discussion of specific employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district.

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

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Stewart to approve moving out of Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Davis, Stewart, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine. Absent was Alvis).

ACTION ITEMS

A. Review and Release of Closed Session Minutes

The Bi-Annual review of closed session minutes has been conducted as required for January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010. At this time, it is recommended that the closed session minutes of June 21, 2010 be released for public review.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Garrett to approve the release of June 21, 2010 closed session minutes.

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

B. Employee Health, Dental, Vision Plans

Action approves the following renewals as recommended by the Insurance Committee. Blue Cross and Blue Shield major medical, Delta Dental, at a 7% increase, and VSP Vision plan at a 7% increase. The board has capped the district portion of the insurance so the increases will be paid as additional payroll deductions for employees as per association bargaining agreements.

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Davis to approve Blue Cross and Blue Shield as major medical provider, Delta Dental as dental benefit provider, and VSP as vision benefit provider as presented. The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Davis, Hawthorne, Miller, Stewart, Goodwine. Absent was Alvis).

C. Life Safety Amendments

Action approves additional life safety amendments for submission.

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Stewart to approve the Life Safety Amendments for submission as presented.

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

D. First Reading and Posting of the FY 2011 Area Vocational Center Budget

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Davis to approve the first reading of the FY 2011 Vocational Center Budget to be placed on public display.

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

E. Technology Plan

The state has approved the district's three year technology plan starting July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2013. The plan requires submittal to the board for review and formal adoption.

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Miller to approve the district technology plan as submitted.

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

F. FY 2011 School Supply Vendors

Action approves the vendors and pricing for school supplies for the 2010-2011 school years as presented.

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Davis to approve the school vendor list for school supplies as recommended.

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

G. 2010-2011 Coach and Sponsor List

A proposed list of coaches and sponsors for the 2010-2011 school year was presented. There are still a few vacancies which hopefully will have personnel presented in August for approval.

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Garrett to approve the 2010-2011 coach and sponsor list as presented.

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

H. Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Mt. Vernon High School Board of Education and the Mt. Vernon Education Association

The two year agreement has been ratified by the certified membership and now is ready for board approval. The agreement has been reviewed by district legal counsel and based on their input is recommended for board approval.

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Miller to approve the 2010-2012 collective bargaining agreement between the Mt. Vernon Board of Education and the Mt. Vernon Education Association.

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

Board member Garrett mentioned and thanked the Board and Union members for the professionalism shown during the compact bargaining sessions.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Stewart to approve adjourning the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Karen Goodwine, Board President

Shirilyn Holt, Board Secretary

Date Signed