

MT. PLEASANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2014, at 6:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on July 14, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the Kinney Conference Room, 720 N. Kinney Ave., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Board Members Present:

Rosa Johnson, Vice President; Christine McKnight, Secretary (arrived at 6:50); Patty Strong, Treasurer, and Sheila Murphy, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Don Chiodo, Brandon McQueen and Tim Odykirk

Administration Present:

Superintendent Michael Pung, Chief Financial Officer Ginger Stowell, Asst. Superintendent Jennifer Verleger, Diane Benford, Kim Bishop

Guests:

Debra Ervin, Pat Heitman, Wendy Epple, Shelby Vasta, Amy Gaudard, Wendy Hoyle, Jason McCrimmon, Courtney McCrimmon, and Jacqueline Roberge

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Rosa Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Sheila Murphy called the roll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by general consent.

CITIZENS REQUEST TO ADDRESS BOARD

Vice-President Rosa Johnson asked if anyone would like to address the Board of Education. Hearing no response she continued on with the meeting.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

There was not a student representative report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Mike Pung shared that he and the Board of Education received thank you cards from Jan Carroll, retired teacher.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Chief Financial Officer Ginger Stowell presented the general fund revenue and expenditure comparison report for the month ending June, 2014 and 2013; the Treasurer's Report and the 2007 Construction Capital Project. Questions and answers followed her presentation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2014 Regular Board meeting. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

Financial

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the bills payable from July 1, 2014 through July 10, 2014, amounting to \$632,972.18. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 - 0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Donations

Sheila Murphy moved to accept the donation of money and a book to McGuire Elementary with a total value of \$225.00 from **Mark Cwiek** and the donation of spectator bus transportation to MPHS state final basketball games and soccer playoffs valued at \$3,947.99 from **Youth for Christ – Central Michigan**. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

New Activity Account

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the **Homeless Education Student Services Activity Account** as presented. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

New Hires

The administration recommended the employment of the following:

- **Andrea Stevens** as a Fourth Grade Teacher at Ganiard Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Jacqueline Roberge** as a Developmental Kindergarten Teacher at Vowles Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Shelby Vasta** as a Developmental Kindergarten Teacher at Pullen Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Danielle Bruursema** as a First Grade Teacher at Pullen Elementary School at Step 3 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Amy Gaudard** as a Fifth Grade Teacher at Fancher Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 2 of the MA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Kaylee Bazany** as a Fifth Grade Teacher at Fancher Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Rachel Jaks** as a Fifth Grade Teacher at Fancher Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Wendy Hoyle** as a Sixth Grade Teacher at Fancher Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 3 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.

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- **Jason McCrimmon** for the position of .50 FTE Building Trades and .25 FTE Mechanical Drafting Teacher at Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center for the 2014-15 school year at Step 5 of the BA pay scale, with probationary status.
- **James Young III** as a Mathematics Teacher at MPHS for the 2014-15 school year at Step 3 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.
- **Lauren Stewart** as a Special Education Teacher at Vowles Elementary School for the 2014-15 school year at Step 1 of the BA level pay, with probationary status.

Sheila Murphy moved to accept the employment of Andrea Stevens, Jacqueline Roberge, Shelby Vasta, Danielle Bruursema, Amy Gaudard, Kaylee Bazany, Rachel Jaksa, Wendy Hoyle, Jason McCrimmon, James Young III, and Lauren Stewart as recommended by the administration. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

Resignations

The administration recommended the Board accept the resignations of Special Education Teachers **Sarah Kinsler** and **Alexis Hiles** effective June 30, 2014. Sheila Murphy moved to accept the resignations of Sarah Kinsler and Alexis Hiles with regret and much appreciation. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

Gratiot-Isabella Regional Education Service District Area Career & Technical Education Program Consortium Agreement

Superintendent Mike Pung presented the Gratiot-Isabella RESD Area Career & Technical Education Program Consortium Agreement for approval. This agreement is effective from the date of signing by superintendents in the RESD through June 30, 2023. Diane Benford, CTE Director, addressed the Board and answered questions. Sheila Murphy moved to approve the Gratiot-Isabella RESD Area Career & Technical Education Program Consortium Agreement as presented. Patty Strong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 4 – 0 vote.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION

Rosa Johnson welcomed the new hire teachers and thanked them for joining the MPPS team.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m. by general consent.

APPROVED:

Secretary, Board of Education

Recording Secretary

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