

**MPCG School Board  
December 14, 2009**

The May-Port CG Board of Education met in regular session at 8:00 pm on Monday, December 14, 2009 with the following board members present: Capouch, Eide, Ellingson, Elliott, Ogburn, Reynolds, Torgeson. Board members Lorenz and Rekken were absent. Also present was Supt. Bradner, Principal Ulland, and Business Manager Kville.

President Reynolds called the meeting to order.

Ellingson/Torgeson moved to approve the November meeting minutes as read. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Torgeson/Elliott moved to approve payment of the general fund bills. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Ellingson/Capouch moved to approve payment of the pre-paid bills, building fund bills, and foundation fund bills. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Correspondence Thank you's were received from Allison Johnson, Kathy Ellingson, and Fran Ust. A Tuition Waiver was approved by the Finley-Sharon School District, accepting Cort and Gracy Leland into their school district. There was no action needed on behalf of the May-Port CG School District.

The December agenda was confirmed and prioritized. The public in attendance was recognized: Shelia Anderson, Bill Brudvik, and Donna Vadnie.

Principal Reports *Ulland* The girls basketball game schedule for Dec 21 added a c-squad game at 4:30.

*Bradner (reporting for Houdek)* The holiday concert will be aired on Patriot Vision (cable tv); notices have been sent home to parents of elementary students requesting to notify the school district if they don't want their child to be aired on TV. The notice to high school parents will be in the monthly newsletter.

Committee Meetings

*Building & Transportation* The high school library will have some remodeling done to create a separate room for reading. This project is part of the stimulus grant. The room will also contain a sound proof booth that allows for a silent setting for projects such as recordings. Domier Construction bid the project at \$6,943 and will complete the remodeling over the holiday break.

In order to encourage drinking water, it was recommended to install a water fountain in the NE corner of the high school weight room. Bradner was given approval by the board to have Lorenz Plumbing install a water fountain as long as the cost was comparable to the previous water fountain recently installed.

*Curriculum and Technology* The three-year technology plan, beginning with 2010 thru 2013 was handed out. The plan contains 3 target areas: 1) Student Achievement 2) Educator Proficiency and 3) Enhanced Communications. Elliott/Torgeson made a motion to accept the technology plan as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

*Budget & Finance* The committee reviewed a detailed spreadsheet provided by the business manager on how the one-time stimulus funds have been spent to date.

*Extra-Curricular* Ellingson/Eide made a motion to hire Kurt Klath as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball coach. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

The committee continues discussions on: 1) overnight travel during regular season 2) youth activities for grades 4 & 5 and if the school should head-up the programs or volunteer parents; the committee is looking a youth volleyball program for grades 5 & 6.

As activities director, Mr. Ulland wanted clarification on how the board preferred to be updated with Extra-Curricular committee items. It was decided that the AD would report to the full board each month.

*Public Relations* Superintendent Bradner was presented with the ND Superintendent of the Year Award. A recognition dinner was held at Paula's Steakhouse prior to the board meeting to present the award. The public relations committee will plan a community event surrounding this honor.

*Handbook Committee* The committee's goal is to have the policy handbook updates ready for the full board to review by the end of the 2009-2010 school year. The intent is to update the entire policy handbook and replace the old handbook with the updated handbook with one motion (requiring 2-readings). The committee will continue to meet weekly after the holiday break.

#### Old Business

The mini bus has been delivered.

The Positive Behavior Support (PBS) effort will kick off in January at the elementary and middle school.

#### New Business

The 2010-2011 school calendar was presented. Eide/Capouch made a motion to approve the first reading of the 2010-2011 school calendar as presented. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

The high school administration is still looking at ways to provide a common time for study hall. The idea behind a common study hall is that teachers would be available to students. This time could also be used for the Patriots With Power (PWP) mentor groups and lyceums. The HOVITV classes pose a challenge because we must maintain a similar bell schedule. The District currently requires 24 credits to graduate; new ND legislature is now 22 credits to graduate. Selections for elective courses will have to be reviewed; the curriculum and technology committee will continue to look at this.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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Deanna Kville, Business Manager

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Shannon Reynolds, Board President