

MPCG School Board
April 13, 2009

The May-Port CG Board of Education met in regular session at 8:00 pm on Monday, April 13, 2009 with the following board members present: Eide, Ellingson, Elliott, Klath, Lorenz, Rekken, Reynolds, and Torgeson. Board member, Capouch was absent. Also present, Supt. Bradner, Principal Houdek, Principal Ulland, and Business Manager Kville.

President Reynolds called the meeting to order.

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

Torgeson/Lorenz moved to approve payment of the general fund bills with the addition of one bill payable to Mary Germundson (\$453.60) for mileage. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Torgeson/Eide made a motion to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held on 3/13/09. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

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

Correspondence Austin Rygg was open enrolled into the Northwood School District; The Fellowship of Christian Athletes organization received a donation in the amount of \$500 from Securian, the local advisors (Tom Woodard & David Lipsiea) recommended the donation; Mr. Mattson submitted a letter of resignation as Physical Education Instructor and Boys Basketball Coach. Ellingson/Eide made a motion to accept the resignation of Brad Mattson. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

The April agenda was prioritized. The public in attendance was recognized: Attorney Bill Brudvik, Shelia Anderson, Jan Thompson, and David Torgeson along with several FBLA members that qualified for nationals. The FBLA students shared two of the national qualifying projects with the board; twelve students qualified for nationals this year. Eide/Ellingson made a motion to contribute \$100 from the General Fund for each student attending national FBLA and \$250 from the Activity Fund (Pop Money) for each student attending national FBLA. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Klath/Lorenz made a motion to pay expenses of one advisor to attend national FBLA out of the General Fund. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Principal's Report *Ulland* The schedule of upcoming school events was shared.

Houdek Approximately 30 students are registered for the upcoming Kindergarten class, based off numbers from Kindergarten Round-Up. The Elementary schedule of events was shared.

Committee Meetings *Building & Transportation* Bus bids will be sent out once the bus grant process is completed. Route Bus #1 or an activities bus may be replaced; there are 10 buses in the fleet. The summer work list was shared (roofing at PBJ, Boiler at PBJ, Flooring at PBJ and WW). Ellingson/Eide made a motion to accept the bid from School Specialty for \$19,268 for 650 sq yards of carpet with removal and installation. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Honeywell provided an updated service agreement quote of \$7,834; no action was recommended on this agreement, the committee will continue to finalize some details of the agreement.

Curriculum & Technology Upgrades to classroom projection systems that were previously approved are being worked on, this includes the Wii remotes for the white boards. The Middle School curriculum allowing for 3 sections can be worked out. Ellingson/Klath made a motion to have Grades 6 & 7 in 3 sections for all subjects except for PhyEd and Health for the 09-10 school year. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

The Reading Recovery Program is a 3-year commitment. This full-time position would be funded partially through Title stimulus money. Torgeson/Klath made a motion to move forward with the Reading Recovery Program. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

With the Boards prior approval to RIFF 4-periods of zero-hour fitness, a part-time phy-ed opening needs to be filled. An adjustment to current staffing will fill this need.

Three publishers were reviewed for new PBJ Language Arts Textbooks. The committee recommended the Macmillan/McGraw-Hill textbooks. The series has library books that supplement the textbooks in 3 different levels, also other content areas such as math are brought into the book. Ellingson/Torgeson made a motion to approve the purchase of Language Arts textbooks from Macmillan/McGraw-Hill for \$33,404 with a July 1st billing. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

The committee is looking to have the math teachers build a test to identify students in Grade 7 if they should start Algebra I in grade 8. No action was taken.

HOVITV The final HOVITV numbers were submitted. German and Art classes offered over ITV will be the same as the current year.

Budget & Finance It was recommended that the annual GST lease remain at \$20,000. Last year this amount had been increased. Torgeson/Lorenz made a motion to enter into the GST lease with the same lease as before. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

New time clocks will help with the payroll process; also the existing time clocks are starting to show wear-and-tear. Time clock vendors were previously evaluated and shared with the board. Kville recommended to purchase two time clocks from TimeClock Plus. Klath/Rekken made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 time clock terminals from TimeClock Plus for the cost of approximately \$6,000. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Extra-Curricular The MPCG invitation track meetin is scheduled for April 18.

Public Relations Teacher appreciation week is May 3-9.

Old Business The District has applied for a waiver of the one-day of school missed due to the flood; we are still waiting to hear back from the governor.

Three candidates for the open HS Math position were interviewed. It was recommended to hire Brandon Schafer for the HS math instructor position. Klath/Rekken made a motion to hire Brandon Schafer as HS Math Instructor. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes, motion carried.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Deanna Kville, Business Manager

Shannon Reynolds, Board President