

Minutes of the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education Meeting of February 21, 2013

The January 17, 2013 meeting of the Metamora Community Consolidated School District #1 Board of Education was called to order at 5:03 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office at Metamora Grade School. Members present: Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Rauh, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Wernsman. Others in attendance included Metamora Grade School Principal Cathy Costello, Dean of Students Tim Damery, Beth Sikkema, Jason Logan, Diane Grebner, and Superintendent Marty Payne.

NOTE: Mr. Ward had to leave the meeting at 5:45 pm

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Reports from the Public

No public reports were given at the meeting.

Action Items

- A. Discussion and Approval of the Metamora CCSD #1 2013-2014 Public School Calendar.

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Martin, to approve the calendar as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote

- B. Discussion and Approval of a Resolution, Supporting a Serious Safety Hazard for the Transportation of Students, and to Support an added Point to the IDOT Safety grid for Illinois Route #89

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Wernsman to approve the motion resolution and additional point as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

- C. Discussion and Approval of a Request fro the Flames Softball Team for use of the Metamora Grade School Softball Field.

Motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Wernsman to approve the request as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

- D. Discussion and Approval of a Continued, Contractual Agreement for Lawn Mowing Services

Motion by Mr. Wernsman, seconded by Mr. Martin, to approve the continued, contractual agreement with Justin Springer for lawn mowing services. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

- E. Discussion and Approval of a Request to Compete in a Chess Tournament that is beyond the Board of Education approved Travel Distance

Motion by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mrs. Rauh, to attend the Chess Tournament in Riverton, IL. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion Items

- A. 8th Grade Graduation Date – Mr. Payne presented potential dates to the Board for 8th grade graduation. Last year's graduation date was Wednesday, May 16, 2012. The corresponding date for this year would be Wednesday, May 15.

Motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the date and time of Wednesday, May 15, 2013, at 7:00 pm, for 8th grade graduation. All present voted yea on a voice vote.

- B. Architectural Firms – the Board of Education Building Committee presented information on the discussion/interview that was conducted with the final three firms. The recommendation by the committee was for the architectural firm of Dewberry Architects, Inc. as the district's primary firm.

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Martin, to approve Dewberry Architects, Inc., as the district's primary architectural firm. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

- C. County-Wide Sales Tax – Mr. Payne presented two pieces of information that would be used to inform the public of the sales tax. The respective informational pieces follow in suit of what will be used by the four districts in the MTHS district. Discussion included following policy regarding sending things home with students as compared to using U.S. mail. The literature was reviewed, and few minor changes were made.
- D. Request for a Cooperative Project with the Village of Metamora – Mr. Wernsman lead the discussion. The focus of the project is the extension of the bike trail for Metamora, and how it comes into contact with district property. The cooperative efforts focus on a shared cost for the project between the Village and the school district. As the Board wanted more information, the agenda item was tabled for more discussion in March, with an invitation to be extended to Village of Metamora Trustee to attend the meeting.

Information Items

- A. Committee Reports
- B. Principal's Report
- C. Dean's Report

- D. Athletic Director's Report – as part of the report, the proposal was made and supported to plant a memorial tree in honor of Kevin Kiesewetter for his years of excellent service as a baseball coach to the youth of Metamora.
- E. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Payne informed the Board that the state is currently behind \$129,894 in mandated categorical payments. The line items that are behind in payment are for Special Education services and for Transportation services

Action on these agenda items was not needed

Acknowledgement of Cards and Letters

There were neither cards nor letters to be presented at this month's Board meeting

Executive Session for the Purpose of Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, Dismissal, or Performance of Employees

Motion by Mr. Martin (at 5:46 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Edwards, to enter into Executive Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Edwards (at 7:18 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Martin, to adjourn the executive session meeting and to return to open session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Action Taken after Executive Session

Resignations

Motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the following resignations:

- Teague Dantento from his position as an aide
- Laura McDannald from her position as a bus driver
- Hanna Anglin from her position as a Latchkey employee
- Paul Urycki from his position as the assistant boys' track coach

All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Employment

Motion by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the hire of the following employees:

- Severn Berg as an aide
- Joe Ringenberg as a bus driver
- Emily Coates as a Latchkey employee
- Sheridan Ray as the head boys' track coach
- Tim Damery as the assistant boys' track coach

Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Edwards (at 7:20 p.m.) seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to adjourn the February 21, 2013 meeting of the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education. All present voted yea on a voice vote.

Roger Roemer
President

Greg Martin
Secretary