

**Minutes of the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education Meeting of May 15, 2014**

---

The May 15, 2014 meeting of the Metamora Community Consolidated School District #1 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office at Metamora Grade School. Members present: Mr. Blundell (arrived at 7:02 p.m.), Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Rauh, Mrs. Sikkema, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Wernsman. Others in attendance included Ernie Mansfield, Gail Simpson, Diane Grebner, Becky Rhodes, Russ Knoblauch, Angela Armstrong, Brittany Uhlman, Chris Dalberg, Jan Holman, Metamora Grade School Principal Cathy Costello, Metamora Grade School Dean of Students Tim Damery, and Marty Payne

Consent Agenda

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

Reports from the Public

There were several guests in attendance to present information to the Board of Education. The first was Angela Armstrong from the Metamora Grade School PTO. She shared with the Board of Education the idea of a type of fall-festival with the goal of serving as a fund raising opportunity for the PTO. Mrs. Armstrong asked the Board of Education for their support. The Board of Education thanked Mrs. Armstrong, and gave their support for the fall program.

The second presenter was Ernie Mansfield from Lands Energy. Mr. Mansfield shared with the Board the need to make an immediate switch in the district's natural gas pricing structure,, as the current structure was soon to cost substantially more.

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Wernsman to approve Nymex as the pricing structure of Natural Gas. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to extend the natural gas contract through 2017. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

The next presentation from the public was from Russ Knoblauch, representing Country Insurance, and the upcoming renewal of both building and liability insurance. Mr. Knoblauch shared preliminary information on the renewal rates. The rates will be presented at the June Board of Education meeting for possible approval.

The final presentation from the public came from the Metamora Grade School Physical Education Department. Brittany Uhlman and Chis Dalberg shared information and requested that the Board of Education discuss the idea of PE uniforms. The Board of Education asked for further research to be conducted, and that the policy revision committee has further discussion.

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

Motion by Mr. Fisher, (at 7:26 pm) seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to enter into executive session. All present voted aye on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Wernsman, seconded by Mr. Fisher to adjourn the executive session meeting and to return to the open session meeting. All present voted aye on a roll call vote.

### Action Items

A. Set the Date, Time, and Location for a Special Meeting of the Board of Education for the Purpose of a Public Hearing regarding the use of Health/Life-Safety Funds for the Repair of Asphalt on the East side of the School

Motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Edwards, to approve Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., at Metamora Grade School for the Public Hearing. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

### Discussion Items

A. Annual School Safety Team Meeting – Mr. Payne shared that the meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 3, at 8:30 a.m.

B. Graduation – Mr. Payne reminded the Board of Education that graduation is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at 7:00 pm

C. End of Year Staff Luncheon – Mr. Payne shared that the staff luncheon will be on Tuesday, June 3, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Grilling and preparation will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Action was not required for the agenda item

### Information Items

#### A. Committee Reports

1. Building Committee – did not meet
2. Education Committee – did not meet
3. Executive Committee – did not meet
4. Finance Committee – did not meet
5. Negotiations Committee – discussion tabled until executive session
6. Policy Committee – prior meeting minutes approved in agenda item #2, the Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18.
7. Transportation Committee – did not meet

#### B. Principal's Report

- C. Dean of Student's Report
- D. Athletic Director's Report
- E. Superintendent's Report

Action was not required for this agenda item.

#### Acknowledgement of Cards and Letters

Mr. Payne shared several cards of appreciation with the Board of Education

Executive Session for the Purpose of Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, Dismissal, or Performance of Employees, and for the Purpose of Collective Negotiation Matters between the Public Body and its Employees

Motion by Mr. Fisher (at 8:17 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to enter into Executive Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Wernsman (at 8:52 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Edwards to adjourn the Executive Session meeting and return to Open Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

#### Action Taken after Executive Session

##### Employment

Motion by Mr. Blundell, seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to employ June Cambria for the position of cafeteria worker. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to employ Melissa Sikkema, Karla Kiesewetter, Kyle Kiesewetter, Dan Herring, Christian Jones, Brett McKinney, Andrew Nauman, Logan Freitag, and Brady Call for the summer custodial crew. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Blundell, to approve the resignation from Dave Cramer, due to retirement, from his position of bus driver

Motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to adjourn the May 15, 2104 meeting of the Board of Education. All present voted yea on a voice vote.

---

Bob Fisher  
President

---

Debbie Rauh  
Secretary