

Minutes of the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education Meeting of January 15, 2015

The January 15, 2015 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, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Rauh, Mrs. Sikkema, and Mr. Wernsman. Others in attendance included Lisa Hill Amy Hamer, Megan Huss, Melanie Wallace, Wendy Vogel, Jan Holman, Metamora Grade School Principal Cathy Costello, Metamora Grade School Dean of Students Tim Damery, and Marty Payne

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the consent agenda with the addition of the payment to I.E.E.S of \$1,844.63 for unemployment insurance. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Reports from the Public

There were no reports presented from the public

Action Items

Revision of School Board Policies

Motion by Mrs. Rauh, seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to approve the first reading of revised Board of Education policies:

2:140, "Communications to and from the Board," 4:45, "Insufficient Fund Checks and Debt Recovery," 4:110, "Transportation," 4:120, "Food Service," 5:220, "Substitute Teachers," 5:250, "Leaves of Absence," 6:60, "Curriculum Content," 6:110, "Instruction," 6:280, "Grading and Promotion," 6:300, "Graduation Requirements," 6:340, "Student Testing and Assessment Program," 7:50, "School Admissions and Student Transfers to and from Non-District Schools," "Health Examinations, Immunizations, and Exclusion of Students," and, 7:270, "Administering Medicines to Students"

All present voted yea on the first reading of policy revisions.

Review of the Past six Month's Executive Session Minutes, and Approval of Public Access to, Selected by the Board of Education, Executive Session Minutes

Ove the past six months, the Board of Education had executive session meetings on the following dates: July 24, 2014, August 19, 2014, August 22, 2014, September 23, 2014, October7, 2014, October 22, 2014, November 18, 2014, and December 10, 2014.

Motion by Mr. Wernsman, seconded by Mr. Blundell, to keep closed those prior executive session minutes closed that have been determined to remain closed, as well as the minutes from the December 10, 2014 meeting. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion and Approval of the 2014 Tenured Faculty, and Non-Certified Seniority Lists

Motion by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Blundell, to approve the respective lists as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion and Approval of Gorenz and Associates as the Metamora CCSD #1 Certified Public Accountants

Motion by Mrs. Rauh, seconded by Mr. Blundell to approve Gorenz and Associates as the Metamora CCSD #1 Certified Public Accountants. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion and Approval of the Metamora CCSD #1 2015-2016 Public School Calendar

Motion by Mrs. Sikkema, seconded by Mrs. Rauh, to approve the calendar as presented. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion Items

Gaggle Presentation

Megan Huss, Metamora Grade School Technology Instructor, presented information on Gaggle, sharing the benefits of the program as compared to Google. The Board gave consensus to continue with the program.

February 2015 Meeting of the Board of Education

Mr. Payne shared that the Recorder Concert is scheduled for the same evening as the February Board of Education meeting, Thursday, February 19. The request was made from Mr. Payne to change the date of the meeting. Motion by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mrs. Rauh, to change the date of the February meeting to Wednesday, February 18, 2015. All present voted Aye on a voice vote.

Information Items

- A. Committee Reports
 - 1. Building Committee
 - 2. Education Committee
 - 3. Executive Committee
 - 4. Finance Committee
 - 5. Negotiations Committee
 - 6. Policy Committee
 - 7. Transportation Committee
- B. Principal's Report
- C. Dean of Student's Report
- D. Athletic Director's Report

The Board had discussion regarding athletic events on days that school is cancelled due to inclement weather. The consensus of the Board was to cancel all events days that school in cancelled due to bad weather.

E. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Payne reported that he is working on scheduling a "Shared Services Committee" meeting. The goal is to have the first meeting during the first week of March.

Mr. Payne shared potential 8th Grade Graduation dates as well. The two potential Wednesday dates are May 20, 2015 and May 27, 2015. The final decision for a graduation date will be determined at either the February or March Board of Education meeting.

Action was not required for this agenda item.

Acknowledgement of Cards and Letters

Mr. Payne distributed several cards and letters that had been submitted.

Executive Session for the Purpose of Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, Dismissal, or Performance of Employees, for the Purpose of Collective Negotiation Matters between the Public Body and its Employees, for the Purpose of Review of the Past Six Months Executive Session Minutes, and for the Purpose of the Selection of filling a Vacancy in a Public Office

Motion by Mr. Edwards (at 7:46 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Blundell, to enter into Executive Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Wernsman (at 9:21 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Blundell 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

No action was taken after the executive session meeting

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Wernsman (at 9:23 p.m.), seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to adjourn the January 15, 2015 meeting of the Board of Education. All present voted yea on a voice vote.

Bob Fisher
President

Debbie Rauh
Secretary