

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JANUARY 22, 2008

The Closed Board Study Session of Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District No. 1 of Bond and Fayette Counties, Illinois was called to order at 6:35 p.m. to discuss Personnel and Negotiations. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Teresa Tompkins, and Keith Steiner. Also present was Superintendent Greg Irwin.

Mr. Irwin and Mr. Blankenship presented study information.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to adjourn at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District No. 1 of Bond and Fayette Counties, Illinois was called to order at 7:10 p.m. Members present were Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Teresa Tompkins, and Keith Steiner. Also present were Superintendent Greg Irwin, Principals Jim Rice and Mike Gauch, Candy Kirsch, Les Sinks, and Bill Walker from the Greenville Advocate.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2007 Levy Hearing and Regular BOE Meeting. B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Steiner to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented (noted loans). B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Board Member Kevin Lewis arrived at 7:15 p.m.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Tompkins to approve Board Bills as presented. B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Lewis, YES: Motion Passed.

A card was presented from the family of Irene Doll (Mary Adams' mother).

Counselor Les Sinks presented "Career Cruising" software.

Mr. Rice and Mr. Gauch presented the Principal's Reports.

Mr. Irwin presented the Superintendent's Report:

a. '08-'09 School Calendar

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Lewis to approve the 2008-09 Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 District Calendar as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

b. OBM – Update

c. Recognition Dinner – Working on a Friday date for April

d. Corbell Foundation Gift of \$1,000

e. Technology Update: a) ISBE Technology Revolving Loan not funded this cycle, b) MG Tech Committee will be meeting Feb 6th @ 7:15 a.m., c)

General Info – still inquiring about parent access via Parent Connect, and what approach to recommend for parent internet scheduling and billing for lunch/other fees

f. Superintendent Irwin will be attending an Inservice on 'Podcasting' – Feb 8th – Fairview Heights; Legal Aspects of Student Records – Vandalia – Feb 21st

- g. Life/Safety Amendments are still in process, may have to call for a special meeting in February if not completed by our Regular February meeting.

Motion by B. Johnson, seconded by Steiner to go into Closed Session at 7:54 p.m. to discuss District Finances, Personnel, Negotiations, and Possible Litigation. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Steiner to return to Open Session at 8:40 p.m. and approve the minutes of the Closed Session. Motion carried by acclamation.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by B. Johnson to approve keeping the previous eighteen (18) month's Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 BOE closed session minutes closed (due to the inclusion of sensitive student and personnel information), with further review scheduled in July, 2008. Blankenship, Lewis, Tompkins, Steiner, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to approve the destruction of any Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 closed session tapes that are eighteen (18) months or older. The District Superintendent will be responsible for destroying the tapes noted. Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Blankenship, seconded by Lewis to approve the updated Seniority List for Mulberry Grove CUSD No. 1 certified staff as presented, effective 1/22/08. Lewis, Tompkins, B. Johnson, Blankenship, Steiner, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Steiner to accept the letter of retirement from MG HS Teacher Dianne Neathery, including the modified ERO provision as presented,

effective the end of the 2010-2011 School Year. Tompkins, Steiner, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Tompkins to approve the Goals established between the Mulberry Grove Board of Education and the District Superintendent for the 2008-09 SY as presented. Steiner, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by B. Johnson to approve change in February Meeting Date to February 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Steiner, Blankenship, Lewis, B. Johnson, Tompkins, YES: Motion Passed.

Motion by Tompkins, seconded by Lewis to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried by acclamation.

President

Secretary