

## News Release

### **Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District #1**

The Regular May Board of Education Meeting– May 19, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Mulberry Grove Community Unit School District #1 Board of Education met on May 19, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m. The Regular May Board of Education meeting was held for regular monthly business. Present were members Mark Blankenship, Bill Johnson, Teresa Tompkins, Bob Ketchem, Tonya Jett & Jim Quick. Also present were Superintendent, Greg Irwin; Principal/Dean: Jim Rice & Ryan Bauer; Teachers: Annette Hartleib, Tricia Stephens, Becky Criner & Candy Kirsch; Guests: Bill Walker, Greenville Advocate; Jim Foltz and Michael Gauch. All votes 7-0.

In Regular business the Board approved the Treasurer's report and Board bills as presented. During the visitor and staff communication portion of the meeting: Guests were announced and general correspondence reviewed. Tricia Stephens, Becky Criner, and Annette Hartleib presented the Board with information regarding the District's PBIS plan for 2009-'10. Annette Hartleib presented the Board with information regarding the change from Targeted Assistance to "School-wide" for the District's Title I Program beginning in 2009-'10.

Principal Rice and Dean Bauer updated the Board regarding activities in each school building which included highlights of teachers' Inservice activities and student events for the month of May. Superintendent Irwin presented the Board with updates on the OBM & Life Safety, reviewed revisions to Board Policies as noted, and let the Board know that the Reading Improvement Grant for 2009-'10 had been completed. The District hosted a Technology Night for members of the community on May 5, 2009 and plans to host several programs in the 2009-'10 SY.

The Board went to closed session @ 8:12 p.m. to discuss personnel, finance & negotiations, and possible litigation and returned to open session @ 9:28 p.m. Board action included the following:

1. The Board approved the revisions and updates to MG BOE Policies #: (4:130, 4:170 & 7:60), as presented; effective 5/19/09.
2. The Board approved the final calendar for the MG CUSD #1 2008-'09 SY as presented.
3. The Board approved the change in the District Title I Program to "School-wide" beginning with the 2009-'10 School Year.
4. The Board approved the release of coaches (at the end of their respective seasons): Chris Johnson, Johnny Webber, Bobby Koontz, Heidi Woods, and Aristiede Ephron.
5. The Board approved the hire of Regina Johnson as MGHS Cheerleading Sponsor for the 2009-'10 season.
6. The Board approved the hire of MGJH Cheerleading sponsor Jennifer Schuette effective at the beginning of the 2009-'10 season.
7. The Board approved the hire of MGHS Head Basketball Coach Chris Johnson for the 2009-'10 season.
8. The Board approved the hire of John Barnes as MG JH/SH Athletic Director beginning with the start of the 2009-'10 School Year.
9. The Board accepted the resignation of PreK Teacher Sarah Nolte, effective at the close of the 2008-'09 School Year.
10. The Board accepted the resignation of Elementary Special Education teacher Michelle Ronat, effective at the close of the 2008-'09 School Year.
11. The Board approved the application of a six month - "Illinois Funds Loan", of \$200,000 for cash flow purposes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

Next meeting: The Mulberry Grove Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 for the Regular June monthly Board of Education meeting @ 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the MG CUSD #1 District Media Center.