

MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2009

President Bob Hornbeck called the Marseilles Board of Education meeting to order in the MES library at 7:00 p.m. Members answering roll call were Jim Barnes, Dee Crawshaw, Gary Fleming and Bob Hornbeck. Rich Callahan arrived at 7:02 p.m. Shawn Schmitke and Bill Stapleton were absent. Superintendent JoEllen Fuller and Principal Jeff Owens were also present.

Wyatt Mach was introduced at the Student of the Month for January. He led The Pledge of Allegiance. Samantha Rowe was introduced as Student of the Month for February. She was not present.

Visitors included Lana Shane, June Wilcoxon, Wyatt Mach, Anita Pellegrini, Thomas Mach, Barbara Mach, Laurie Leslie and Michel Dushek.

Ron Blumenshine presented the treasurer's report.

A motion was made Callahan and seconded by Fleming to approve the consent agenda:

- Minutes of January 20, 2009 Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes of February 2, 2009 Special Board Meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Bills
- Payroll
- Activity Fund Report -
- Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings-None this month

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Hornbeck and seconded by Crawshaw to approve the MES School Calendar for 2009-2010.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Callahan and seconded by Fleming to adopt the Glencoe/McGraw-Hill social studies curriculum for the 6th, 7th and 8th grades at a cost of \$18,783.90.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Fleming and seconded by Callahan to keep the school fees the same for the 2009-2010 school year.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Hornbeck and seconded by Fleming to set the 8th grade promotion ceremony for Tuesday, June 2, 2009.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Crawshaw and seconded by Fleming to repay the inter-fund loan of \$13,500 from the Education Fund to the Debt Services Fund.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Crawshaw and seconded by Fleming to adopt the McMillan/McGraw-Hill social studies curriculum for kindergarten through 5th grade at a cost of \$17,351.37.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

Lana Shane addressed the board as a member of the IEA/NEA Grass Roots Organization.

- Ten districts have shown an interest in forming an insurance cooperative, with about 1,000 employees. The group's representatives will meet with the LaSalle County Superintendent of Schools, Region 15 superintendents, Representative Mautino and Senator Dahl. She will keep the school board informed.
- 10-14 MES teachers have been affected by the 6% salary cap
- Group feels that TRS pensions have been compromised by the state

REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

Community Relations Committee: Dee Crawshaw

- Would like to sponsor a "Grandparents to Lunch Day" in March
- Planning a Culinary Club for students and adults
- Next meeting is Thursday, March 12th at 6:00 p.m.

After School Program

- Will sell Gold Canyon candles to help support the program

Booster Club

- Planning a Chili Dinner before the Alumni Basketball Game for the 175th birthday of Marseilles on Saturday, February 21st.
- Purchased a new score board for the multi-purpose room.

Leadership Committee

- A Homework Policy has been taken to the staff for approval.
- A WIKI website has been started by Traci Grandgeorge for the teachers to post their professional development workshops and share what they have learned.

Evaluation Committee

- Met on February 10th and continued to discuss the teachers' Evaluation Instrument
- Next meeting planned for March 24th

Principal/AD Jeff Owens reported:

- SWIS Report explained the discipline for the month.
- Update on PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support) conference
- Discussed results of athletic committee's meeting with Ottawa Youth Football. Many problems need to be addressed yet. The contract presented by Ottawa needs to be approved by Marseilles Elementary School's attorney.
- Marseilles will host a Holiday Tournament here for high school basketball in December

Mrs. Fuller presented her Superintendent's Report:

- IASB Starved Rock Division Winter Dinner Meeting on March 10, 2009 at Seneca's Oak Ridge Golf Club
- Received TIF 1 disbursement in amount of \$61,495.26
- Received TIF 3 disbursement in amount of \$62,605.41
- Mrs. Fuller will attend a meeting at the courthouse regarding a real estate tax assessment complaint
- IMRF audited the school's payroll. A few corrections need to be made.
- Mrs. McIntyre completed her project: P.R.I.D.E. Induction Program for New Staff. It is posted on the MES website.

A motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Callahan to adjourn to closed session at 8:18 p.m. to discuss:

- "The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity". 5 ILCS 120/2© (1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057
- Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2©(2).
- The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5 ILCS 120/2©(6).

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Fleming to return to regular session at 9:12 p.m.

Aye: Barnes, Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Crawshaw and seconded by Callahan to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Aye: Callahan, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Hornbeck

Nay: None

Motion carried

President

Secretary