

MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2009

President Gary Fleming called the Marseilles Board of Education meeting to order in the MES library at 7:02 p.m. Members answering roll call were Jim Barnes, Dee Crawshaw, Gary Fleming, Bill Stapleton and June Wilcoxon. Shawn Schmitke arrived at 7:09 p.m. Christy Carpenter was absent. Superintendent JoEllen Fuller and Principal Jeff Owens were also present.

Visitors included Jennifer Morello, Fred Krause, Jim Kavanaugh and Paula Wheeler.

Superintendent Fuller presented the treasurer's report for Ron Blumenshine.

A motion was made by Crawshaw and seconded by Barnes to approve the consent agenda:

- Minutes of:
 - July 20, 2009 Regular Board Meeting
 - July 22, 2009 Special Meeting
 - July 27 and continuation on July 28, 2009 Special Meeting
 - August 3, 2009 Special Board Meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Bills
- Payroll
- Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings from 1/22/09.

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

A motion was made by Wilcoxon and seconded by Barnes to display the tentative budget for thirty (30) days.

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

A motion was made by Crawshaw and seconded by Fleming to employ Sarah Buckley as a kitchen worker, transferring from an aide position.

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

Fred Krause again addressed the board on the possibility of purchasing some land owned by the school for a boat ramp. A grant may be able to be obtained by the state for next year.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

Community Relations Committee - Dee Crawshaw

- Next meeting is Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Leadership Committee – JoEllen Fuller

- Chris Goldy from Consortium on Reading Excellence (CORE) met with the committee on August 17th and met with teachers on August 18th to give an RtI overview and help with the selection of a new reading series. The goal is for all those concerned with choosing the reading series, (board members, teachers, administration, parents) to be on the same page and have the same vision.

Booster Club - Shawn Schmitke

- Has a \$20,000 budget for the school year
- Car show brought in a profit of \$250
- Need many volunteers to help with the High School Basketball Tournament in December

Finance/Administrative Committee – JoEllen Fuller

- \$85,000 shortfall in state funds for 2008-2009 school year
- Will only receive 90% of the Reading Improvement and Early Childhood Grants for 2009-2010.

Principal/AD Jeff Owens reported:

- Chris Goldy from CORE will be back on November 16th for the board meeting and on November 17th to spend the school day in the primary blocks.
- The State will not offer the Illinois Textbook Loan Program this year. The new reading series will be purchased with local district funds.
- Enrollment totals are 636 students, as of the day of this board meeting.
- The new baseball program has 21 players out in the first year.

Superintendent Fuller reported:

- Received confirmations from Hyatt Regency for the School Board Convention in November.
- All aides from last school year have been hired back, with the exception of Sarah Buckley, who transferred to the cafeteria
- Commented on the number of medical, special need's students that need to see the school nurse every day.

New Business:

- First Reading of Press Policy Updates.
- Discussed possible new position for calling substitutes for absent staff members. A job description will be written and presented at the next board meeting.

- MES Tentative 2009-2010 Budget

A motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Crawshaw to adjourn to closed session at 8:07 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).
- The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2©(5).

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

A motion was made by Schmitke and seconded by Barnes to return to regular session at 10:04 p.m.

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

A motion was made by Stapleton and seconded by Wilcoxon to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

Aye: Barnes, Crawshaw, Fleming, Schmitke, Stapleton, Wilcoxon

Nay: None Motion carried

President

Secretary