

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
Board of Directors
The Missouri Valley Community School District
Monday, May 18, 2009**

Call of Order

President Brenda Dooley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. on Monday, May 18, 2009, at the District Office Board Room, 109 East Michigan Street, Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Roll Call

Present: Brenda Dooley, Michele Wilson, Kelley Ruffcorn, and Dan Zaiser

Absent: Pat Skelton

Also Present: Superintendent Tom Micek, Secretary Robyn Wohlers, Justin Gross, Deidre Drees, Bill Huggett, Marsha Wiese, Alan Wiese, Don Briggs, Michele Mahoney, Patricia Mahoney, Jerry Mahoney, Cliff Ehlinger, Patti Oldberg, Lenora Cunard, Janet Kirkpatrick, Dawn Foutch, Shari Warner, Sharlotte Watson, Mark Warner, Cathie Callaghan, Heather Urban, Hannah Goebel, Ken Goebel, Carole Gorham, Myrna Botos, Claudine Spencer, Ed Spencer, Del Skinner, and Pete Graham

Approve Agenda

There were three amendments to the published agenda, as follows: 1) Correction of a name in the Minutes of April 24, 2009; 2) Transfer of money from Capital Projects Fund to Debt Service Fund; and 3) Receipt of Elementary Volunteer Coordinator's report. Director Ruffcorn approved the agenda as amended, and Director Wilson seconded it. All Ayes; motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors/Gifts/Services

Fifteen employees were recognized for their combined 413 years of service. President Dooley presented a 40-year pin to Myrna Botos, who has created the district's baked goods over those years. Director Wilson presented a 30-year pin to Dawn Foutch, while Karen Breyfogle, Debra Kuhlmann, Roger Kuhlmann, and Deb Lipschultz were also acknowledged for 30 years. Those receiving 25-year pins from Director Zaiser were Lenora Cunard, Jerry Mahoney, Patti Oldberg, Del Skinner, and Claudine Spencer. Don Briggs received a 20-year pin from Director Ruffcorn. Retiring teachers were presented plaques by Dr. Micek, which included Shari Warner for 34 years of service, Janet Kirkpatrick for 29 years, and Marsha Wiese for 15 years.

In honor of School Board Recognition Week, Dr. Micek presented the School Board members with framed certificates and thanked them for their commitment to the district.

Supt. Micek also read the names and events of the athletes who qualified for the State Track Meet. He extended congratulations to Emery Waterhouse (Boys 1600); Mallory Cunard, Elizabeth Jones, Kelsey Miller, Amanda Axtell (Girls 4 x 100); Whitney Dooley, Linsey Rohe, Cassie Reisz, Kelly Murray (Girls 4 x 800); Taylor Hawley, Jole Miller, Kyle Wilson, Brian Dougherty (Boys 4 x 800); and Nick Monzu, Joey Goff, Kyle Wilson, Jole Miller (Boys 1600 Medley.)

Heather Urban, Guidance Counselor, expressed her thanks to the Board for encouragement and support over the past 4 years, as she is leaving the district for a new position.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Micek noted that the last name of one of the newly hired teachers had been wrong in the April packet materials, and the Minutes of the April 24th meeting would need to be amended to reflect the correction in the name from Brent Olson to Brent Hoelsing. Director Wilson motioned to approve the Minutes of the regular Board meeting on April 13, and corrected

Minutes of the special meeting on April 24, 2009. Director Zaiser seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Financial Reports

The monthly financial reports for the General Operating, Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Child Nutrition, Agency, Trust, and Activity Funds for the month of April, 2009, were presented for the Board's review.

Board Bills

Additional bills brought before the Board totaled \$30,761.78. Director Zaiser made a motion to pay the bills submitted in the Board packet, plus additional pages of bills totaling \$30,761.78. Director Ruffcorn seconded the motion. All Ayes; motion carried.

The bills totaled \$235,073.30 as follows: \$185,176.91 – General Operating Fund; \$848.40 – Management Fund; \$2,813.10– Physical Plant and Equipment; \$0.00 – Capital Projects Fund; \$0.00 – Capital Projects/1% Sales Tax Fund; \$9,680.19 – Debt Service Fund; \$19,059.29 – School Nutrition Fund; \$687.33 – Preschool Proprietary Fund; \$15,555.99 -- Student Activity Fund; \$0.00 – Trust Fund; and \$1,252.09 – Agency Fund.

Transfer to Debt Service for Interest Payment

Director Ruffcorn motioned to approve the transfer of \$9,680.19 from Capital Projects Fund to Debt Service Fund. Director Wilson seconded it. The motion carried unanimously.

Receipt of Elementary Volunteer Coordinator Report

Cathie Callaghan presented her second semester Elementary Volunteer Coordinator report to the Board. She noted that 600 hours had been logged by volunteers this school year. She announced that the program is really growing and she sees many more opportunities to expand the program as teachers continue to utilize the volunteers for innumerable projects.

ADMINISTRATION

Receive Report on Technology Vision Process

Dr. Clifford Ehlinger summarized his work in the collection and analysis of data used to prepare recommendations for the District's Technology Vision Plan, which included network infrastructure, planning and policy documents, access to technologies, professional development and training, tech mentors, alignment with CSIP goals, and development of a technology budget. The ultimate objective is the integration of technology to assist student learning and achievement.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

Approve 2009-2010 School Handbooks

After the principals reviewed handbook changes for 2009-2010, Director Ruffcorn motioned to approve the 2009-2010 Elementary and Middle/High School Handbooks. Director Wilson made the second. All Ayes; motion carried.

2009-2010 Substitute Teaching Rate Approved

Director Wilson motioned to approve the substitute teaching rate for 2009-2010 at \$125 per day. Director Zaiser seconded it. All Ayes; motion carried.

Agreement for Dual Enrollment Courses with IWCC Approved

Director Zaiser motioned to approve Memorandum of Understanding agreements with Iowa Western Community College for dual enrollment courses for 2009-2010. The second was made by Director Wilson. All Ayes; motion carried.

2009 MV Swim Team Transportation Approved

Director Wilson motioned to approve the request for Missouri Valley Swim Team transportation for summer, 2009, with the understanding that reimbursement to the school district for expenses will be made by the Swim Team upon receipt of billing. Director Zaiser made the second, and the motion carried unanimously.

Major Project Quotes Approved

Director Ruffcorn motioned to approve a quote of \$12,000 by Midwest Coatings for the H.S. and Elementary Schools asphalt project for crack routing and sealing/preventative maintenance work. Director Zaiser made the second. All Ayes; motion carried.

Director Wilson motioned to approve the quote of \$7,638.20 by Custer Floor Covering for the replacement of flooring in the high school restrooms using no-wax commercial fiber board. Second was made by Director Zaiser. All Ayes; motion passed.

Year-Round Adult Activity Pass Approved

Director Wilson motioned to approve the fee for a 2009-2010 year-round unlimited events adult activity pass at \$80 per adult pass. Director Zaiser made the second. All Ayes; motion carried. It was noted these passes would not be good for State or District events.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Contracts Approved

Director Wilson motioned to approve administrative recommendation to issue employment contracts for 2009-2010 to Elizabeth Davie, H.S. Language Arts Teacher; Jami Helgenberger, Elementary Special Education Teacher; Chuck Earleywine and Christopher Jensen, H.S. Wrestling Co-Coaches; and Brent Hoelsing, Junior High Football Coach. Director Ruffcorn seconded it. All Ayes; motion carried.

Director Ruffcorn motioned to approve administrative recommendation to issue letters of assignment to John Torrey and Ashley Denton, TeamMates Chaperones for both 2008-2009 and 2009-2010; Frank Smith and Jamie Fouts, Assistant Baseball Co-Coaches for summer, 2009, with a 50% split shared contract. Second was made by Director Zaiser. All Ayes; motion carried.

Director Ruffcorn motioned to approve administrative recommendation to issue 2009 summer school letters of assignment for Extended School Year Summer School to Cheryl Gardiner, Katie Muff, Annette Deakins, and Lisa Crocker; and Driver Education to Travis Maasen, Troy Maasen, and Stacy Pippitt. Director Wilson made the second. All Ayes; motion carried.

Director Zaiser motioned to approve administrative recommendation for Brent Hansen to serve as a Volunteer H.S. Asst. Baseball Coach for summer, 2009. Director Wilson made the second. All Ayes; motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Micek briefly explained the ARRA Federal Stimulus Funding, which must be expended by September, 2011. The District will receive money for IDEA Part B and Title I. This money has restrictions on how and when it must be spent, and will require detailed accountability. The Governor has not yet signed legislation that has caused a delay in the announcement of grant allocations for Voluntary Preschool Grants. Supt. Micek concluded with the dates and times of summer Board meetings, with the June 15 and July 20 start times being tentatively set at 5:00 P.M.

Adjournment

Director Ruffcorn made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Director Wilson seconded it. All Ayes; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

/s/ Robyn Wohlers, Board Secretary-Treasurer