

On Line With the Board

The following actions, comments, or discussions took place at the September 12, 2012 regular meeting of the board of education.

1. President Leacher called the Regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. New teachers Diana Dingman, McKenzie Chappell, Gina Wilson, Laura Perry, Julie Alef and Teddi Ewing were all present at the meeting and individually introduced themselves to the board.
3. Middle School Principal, Dr. David Schmittou, gave a presentation on the middle school data from the NWEA and MEAP testing of students from the 2011-2012 school year. The data shows that progress was made at all grade levels in all subject areas. Dr. Schmittou also explained how the staff at the middle school have restructured their whole approach to teaching and he was very proud of the staff's commitment to help their students learn.
4. A district parent asked some questions relative to the data presentation.
5. Approval of the minutes from the August meetings and payment of bills/reimbursement of expenses was given.
6. MHS teacher Diana Dingman's ½ time Teacher Consultant job sharing appointment was approved.
7. The board entered into Closed Session for negotiation strategies at 8:16 p.m.
8. The board returned to Open Session at 10:21 p.m.
9. The board approved the Master Agreements for the following groups of employees:
 - Transportation
 - MESPA Support Staff – (custodial, secretarial and paraprofessionals)
10. The board approved the salary amounts for the following individual contracts:
 - Administrators
 - Deans
 - Central Office Staff
 - District Supervisors
 - Managers
 - Technology Staff, Mechanics
 - Energy Education
 - Athletic Director
 - Adult Education
11. The board approved the changes to the Administrative Handbook.
12. The board approved the Superintendent's contract changes.
13. Superintendent Girbach reported on the following:
 - Student Issues
 - Pupil counts are still fluctuating. A better estimate on the pupil count will be shared at the workshop meeting.
 - Staff Issues
 - Paddock teacher Brook Reedlunn has resigned. She and her husband have moved to New Mexico.
 - High School teacher Aaron Shinn resigned to become an Assistant Principal in another district.
 - Postings for the above resignations are up and interviews will begin soon.

- Teachers Ken Bobicz (MMS) and Christine Price's (Paddock) father recently passed away. A card was sent on behalf of the Board.
- Middle School teacher Brent Huck has a new baby son – Louis Parker Huck born on September 9th.
- General School Issues
 - There were no Choice Transfer requests from parents at Paddock Elementary as a result of the Focus School designation.
- Bond Updates
 - There is a delay on the final surfacing of the tennis courts due to blacktop mix specifications.
 - The MCIS wing is up and functioning well. The punch list is being generated. The community Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, September 18th.
- Board Issues
 - The board was reminded to get their paperwork in for the MASB Conference at the September 19th workshop meeting.
 - The first mascot committee meeting is scheduled for October 11th at 7:00 p.m.

14. Assistant Superintendent Peter Kudlak commented on the following:

- The success of the Professional Development Days at the beginning of the school year.
- An update on the Social Studies and Math training with staff.
- The fact that the new Data Support person, Delonda Collins, is getting familiar with her job and is doing well.

15. Board member Peacock asked about having a Deca Club student on the mascot committee.

16. Board member Vershum voiced some concerns about the WEA.

17. Board Treasurer Jan Kiger stated the WEA will host a meeting in our districts MCIS location.

18. President Leacher adjourned the meeting at 10:48 p.m.