

**M I N U T E S**  
**Mason Consolidated Schools**  
**Meeting of the Board of Education**

**Approved 4/15/13**

**March 18, 2013**

**Regular Meeting**

On March 18, 2013, the Mason Consolidated Schools Board of Education held a meeting in the library at Mason High School. President Dobbs called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Dobbs, Clark, Tubbs, Fowler, Larrow, Guinn  
Board Members Absent: Ginther  
Also Present: Drewyor, Russow, McCain, Billegas, Cavanaugh

**Review/Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Guinn, supported by Clark to approve the agenda with the following addition: Add Erie VFW Post 3925, to Special Presentations. Motion carried 6:0.

**Special Presentations**

**Erie VFW Post 3925-** Mr. Grodi, Commander of the VFW, invited everyone to the VFW's annual recognition banquet on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Dobbs thanked Mr. Grodi for everything the VFW does for the school.

**OCHS Students of the Month:** Angel Spears (January 2013) and Lynette Gillenkirk (February 2013) were not in attendance to receive their award certificates.

**State Champion in Wrestling- Logan Griffin:** Mr. Drewyor introduced sophomore Logan Griffin. Logan won the State Championship in the 112 lb. division. There were four overtimes in the match. Logan thanked Dr. Guinn for helping him recover from a shoulder injury that he experienced earlier in the year. Logan's father thanked the school and teachers for helping Logan achieve academic success.

**Mason High School-Reprisal of Wizard of Oz:** The Board and public relocated to the cafeteria for this portion of the meeting.

**MEAP Presentation- David Drewyor:** Mr. Drewyor shared a slide presentation outlining the MEAP scores over the past five years.

**Student Representatives to the Board**

The student representatives were not in attendance for the meeting.

**Board Committee Reports**

**Report from March 7, 2013 Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting**

- Mrs. Clark reported. Updates on the Luna Pier and North properties were given. The prospective buyer of Luna Pier is still working on getting a loan approval. Mrs. Larrow inquired about the property adjoining the Luna Pier school. Our attorney wrote an addendum for the sale of the North property. The lawn bids were discussed. Four companies bid on the job. Cutting Edge is being recommended for the job.

**Report from March 7, 2013 Finance Committee meeting**

- Mrs. Fowler reported. Monthly items were reviewed. Budget recommendations were discussed. Mr. Lukshaitis provided pros and cons of changing to a 7 period day. Technology costs were discussed and positions will be reviewed. The proceeds from the sale of North were discussed. Textbook purchases were discussed. Mrs. Larrow added that work orders for technology were emailed, but that the format makes it difficult to print.

## **Old Business**

- A. Recommendation to implement a 7 class period schedule at Mason High School, effective with the 2013-2014 school year  
-Mrs. Dobbs referred to the list of pros and cons of a 7 period schedule. A discussion was held among the board members. The middle school will stay on a 6 period day for the 2013-14 school year.
- B. Sale of Bus #3 to KMR Sales, for \$1,653.00  
-The bus has not been operating for the past few years.
- C. Recommendation for the Superintendent to seek signature approval of the Secretary of the Board, Dr. Larry Guinn, signifying agreement to the terms of the North property sale transaction, at the sale price of \$105,000, with an addendum guided by the District's legal counsel  
-Mr. Drewyor stated that the purchasers' attorney and the District attorney are working to come up with a revised addendum that is agreeable to both parties. Mr. Drewyor will ask Dr. Guinn for his signature if the District's attorney approves the revised addendum. The sale price of \$105,000 will not change.

## **New Business**

- A. The next Buildings & Grounds and Finance Committee meetings will be held on April 11, 2013 at 8:15 a.m. Buildings & Grounds will be held first, with the Finance meeting to be held immediately following.
- B. The next Board of Education policy meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. in the Mason Middle School library, hosted by Mason Middle School. The regular meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m.
- C. The Board of Education meeting that was originally scheduled for Monday, July 15, 2013, has been moved to Monday, July 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
- D. Resolution for Best Practices Incentive  
-Mr. Drewyor stated that we meet 7 out of 8 best practices this year and he recommends that the resolution be adopted.
- E. Recommendation to award the lawn service bid to Cutting Edge Lawn & Landscaping, 2- year contract, \$870 per cut, for a maximum of 28 cuts per season, paid out of the general fund  
-If the North property is sold, we will be able to deduct \$75 from the cut price. Mrs. Dobbs stated that she agrees with the recommendation to give the contract to Cutting Edge.
- F. Resignation of Kay Vanisacker, custodian, for the purpose of retirement, effective April 1, 2013  
-Mr. Billegas stated that Mrs. Vanisacker has worked for the district for over 20 years.
- G. Recommendation for volunteer coaches: John Steinman and Chad Henning (varsity baseball)
- H. Recommendation for volunteer coaches: Nick Duvall, Shane Ford, and Lee Miller (JV baseball)
- I. Recommendation for volunteer coaches: Jennifer McGarry, Paige Adair, Julie Mazur, Gary Marcoaldi, Katie Cerveney, and Bryan Parran (varsity softball)
- J. Recommendation to grant a 2 year contract to Stephanie Cavanaugh, OCHS Director  
-Mrs. Tubbs stated that Mrs. Cavanaugh has done a wonderful job. Mr. Drewyor agreed. He stated that during the past year, Mrs. Cavanaugh added the Knights United program as well as a student responsibility center.
- K. Recommendation for tenure or continuing probation:  
Tenure: Ryan Walentowski  
4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status: Brooke Oberski, Floyd Martin, Joshua Sweigert,  
Lauren Roberts, Stacy Morrow  
3<sup>rd</sup> year probationary status: Julie Gallaher, Sarah Pelham

### **Public Comment**

- Mrs. Andrzejewski commented on students transporting other students.
- Mrs. Taylor commented on a 7 period day.

### **Superintendent's Report**

- Mr. Drewyor reported on the legislative breakfast that he, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. Dobbs recently attended.
- Most of the county superintendents made a trip to Lansing to meet with Senator Richardville to discuss concerns in education. The superintendents also had a recent meeting with Dale Zorn to give input on the EAA. The superintendents are asking for an increase to the foundation. Also, if a district files a deficit budget, they would like the ISD to step in before an emergency manager steps in. In addition, money from the MPERS was discussed.

### **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of the minutes from the March 4, 2013 Board of Education meeting
- B. Approval of the sale of bus #3 to KMR Sales, for \$1,653.00
- C. Accept the resignation of Kay Vanisacker, custodian, for the purpose of retirement, effective April 1, 2013
- D. Approval of the recommendation for volunteer coaches: John Steinman and Chad Henning (varsity baseball)
- E. Approval of the recommendation for volunteer coaches: Nick Duvall, Shane Ford, and Lee Miller (JV baseball)
- F. Approval of the recommendation for volunteer coaches: Jennifer McGarry, Paige Adair, Julie Mazur, Gary Marcoaldi, Katie Cerveny, and Bryan Parran (varsity softball)
- G. Approval of the February 2013 check register, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee

-It was moved by Guinn, supported by Fowler to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 6:0

### **Action**

- A. Approval of the recommendation to implement a 7 class period schedule at Mason High School, effective with the 2013-2014 school year  
-It was moved by Clark, supported by Larrow. Roll was called: Yes: Tubbs, Larrow, Fowler, Clark, Guinn, Dobbs. Motion carried 6:0
- B. Adoption of the Best Practices Incentive School Board Resolution, for a \$52 per pupil incentive payment  
-It was moved by Fowler, supported by Clark. Roll was called: Yes: Tubbs, Larrow, Fowler, Clark, Guinn, Dobbs. Motion carried 6:0
- C. Approval of the recommendation to award the lawn service bid to Cutting Edge Lawn & Landscaping, 2-year contract, \$870 per cut, for a maximum of 28 cuts per season, paid out of the general fund  
-It was moved by Larrow, supported by Dobbs. Roll was called: Yes: Tubbs, Larrow, Fowler, Clark, Guinn, Dobbs. Motion carried 6:0
- D. Recommendation to grant a 2 year contract to Stephanie Cavanaugh, OCHS Director  
-It was moved by Guinn, supported by Fowler. Motion carried 6:0
- E. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for tenure for Ryan Walentowski-OCHS  
-It was moved by Dobbs, supported by Clark. Motion carried 6:0.
- F. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status for Brooke Oberski  
-It was moved by Larrow, supported by Clark. Motion carried 6:0.

- G. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status for Floyd Martin  
-It was moved by Fowler, supported by Larrow. Motion carried 6:0.
- H. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status for Joshua Sweigert  
-It was moved by Clark, supported by Larrow. Motion carried 6:0.
- I. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status for Lauren Roberts  
-It was moved by Dobbs, supported by Fowler. Motion carried 6:0.
- J. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 4<sup>th</sup> year probationary status for Stacy Morrow  
-It was moved by Tubbs, supported by Guinn. Motion carried 6:0.
- K. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 3<sup>rd</sup> year probationary status for Julie Gallaher  
-It was moved by Guinn, supported by Fowler. Motion carried 6:0.
- L. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 3<sup>rd</sup> year probationary status for Sarah Pelham  
-It was moved by Clark, supported by Fowler. Motion carried 6:0.
- M. Approval of the Superintendent's recommendation for 2<sup>nd</sup> year probationary status for Chris Brandjord  
-It was moved by Clark, supported by Tubbs. Motion carried 6:0.
- N. Approval of the recommendation for the Superintendent to seek signature approval of the Secretary of the Board, Dr. Larry Guinn, signifying agreement to terms of the North property sale transaction at the sale price of \$105,000, with an addendum guided by the Districts legal counsel  
-It was moved by Fowler, supported by Larrow. Motion carried 6:0.

#### **Board Reports/Comments**

- Mrs. Tubbs congratulated Logan Griffin on his State win. She stated that the Middle School Science Olympiads did very well in their recent competition.
- Mrs. Clark thanked the High School for hosting the meeting. She's glad she got a sneak peek of the upcoming musical. She congratulated Logan Griffin.
- Mrs. Fowler congratulated Logan Griffin. She stated that we did well in some areas of the MEAP and that we have a great staff and we just need to stay focused to get through the changes to the tests.
- Mrs. Dobbs will be attending the Wizard of Oz play. She stated that the District is in a financial situation that is leading to changes that must be made. She added that she is disappointed that a few teachers approached students and passed along only the negatives of having a 7 period day.

#### **Adjournment**

At 8:48 p.m., it was moved by Dobbs, supported by Clark to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6:0

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Dr. Larry Guinn, Board Secretary