

The Regular Meeting of the Mohawk Area Board of Directors was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by the President, Ted Morrow, with the following members present: Eugene A. Butch, Jr., Diane Gwin, Mark Hiler, Jonathan Laughner and Scott Singer. Harry J. Curatola, Jr., Lori Griffin and David Spears were excused. Superintendent Kathleen Kwolek, Assistant to the Superintendent, Lorree Houk, High School Principal, Raymond Omer, Assistant High School Principal, Gregory Ferencak, and Janet Crum, Secretary, were also in attendance.

The minutes of the Special Board Meeting on June 10, 2013, the Regular Board Meeting on May 13, 2013, and the Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 3, 2013 were accepted as written on the motion of Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mrs. Gwin, verbal vote, motion carried.

There were no public comments.

The Administrators reported that everything is on track for the summer months. We will be holding a STEM Camp, summer school, and doing the prep work/review of the student planners. In addition, there are plans to update our website this summer. There was a discussion held concerning the pilot teacher evaluation program.

The Financial Report dated May 31, 2013 was presented for approval. So moved on the motion of Mr. Singer, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Financial Report Attached)

Financial Report approved

Mr. Hiler motioned to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copies of all invoices on file in the Business Office)

General Fund, School Lunch Bills approved

Minutes of
 6/17/2013
 Board Mtg.
 cont. on pg.
 3523

GENERAL FUND		
Prepaid	\$	59,093.70
Current	\$	140,841.13
 SCHOOL LUNCH		
Prepaid	\$	39,405.01
 CONSTRUCTION		
Current	\$.00

There were ten additions to the agenda this evening:

- Requests for travel (2)
- Increasing milk prices
- Approval of milk supplier
- Employment (2)
- Solicitation of gasoline bids
- Sale of property from repository
- PlanCon K approval
- Cancel July meetings

Approved
additions to the
agenda

Mr Hiler motioned approval to add the above items to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Laughner, verbal vote, motion carried.

Consideration was given to employing the following:

- Ms. Jamilyn Maiorano as a summer technology assistant to replace Mr. Steve Franz, who is unable to work due to other obligations.
- Mr. Ralph Rich - volunteer band advisor for 2013-14
- Ms. Stacy DeCarbo - volunteer majorette choreographer for 2013-14

Hiring of
volunteers and
summer tech
assist.
approved

Mr. Laughner motioned approved, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to issuing Professional Contracts to the following employees who have completed three years of satisfactory teaching:

Approved
Professional
Contracts

- Mr. Benjamin Edwards – High School Special Education Teacher
- Ms. Jamilyn Maiorano – Elementary Teacher

So moved by Mrs. Gwin, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

The second reading of the proposed Mohawk Area School District General Operating Budget for the 2013-2014 year was presented for approval, as well as the Budget Taxation Resolution. Mrs. Crum stated the proposed budget includes expenditures of \$21,714,781 and does not include a tax increase. It has been available for public display since the approval of the first reading on May 13, 2013. Mr. Butch motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy of 2013-14 PDE 2028 on file in Business Office and Copy of Budget Taxation Resolution Attached)

General
Operating
Budget for
13/14 approved

Budget
Taxation
Resolution
approved

Consideration was given to the approval of the recommended Budget Transfers as required for the closing of the 2012-2013 school year. So moved by Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Resolution Attached)

Approved
Budget
Transfers

Consideration was given to the approval of the resolution regarding the distribution of the 2013-2014 Tax Duplicates to the current Collectors, Phyllis Retort, Stacy Cosgrove, Loretta Denny, Margaret Main and Karen Magnone. Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Resolution Attached)

Resolution
regarding
distribution of
13/14 Tax
Duplicates
approved

Likewise, consideration will be given to the approval of the 2013 Homestead/Farmstead Exclusions Resolution. Mrs. Crum explained the District will be receiving approximately \$482,956.97 as a property tax reduction allocation funded by gambling tax funds. This is then passed on to the residents that have applied and been approved. We currently have approximately 2,944 homestead properties and 40 farmstead properties. The approximate exclusion in assessed value is \$12,871.00 for each of these approved parcels, which results in a tax savings of no more than \$168.48. So moved by Mrs. Gwin, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Resolution Attached)

2013
Homestead/
Farmstead
Exclusions
Resolution
approved

Consideration was given to setting the school lunch and milk prices for 2013-2014 as follows as well as approving Austintown Dairy as the milk supplier as per the yearly rotation:

Granted
permission to
set school
lunch and milk
prices for
13/14

Elementary Breakfast - \$.90
High School Breakfast - \$.90

Elementary Lunch – \$1.55
High School Lunch - \$1.70

Adult Breakfast - \$1.30
Adult Lunch - \$3.00

Student Milk - \$.45
Adult Milk - \$.50

Austintown
Dairy granted
13/14 milk
supplier

So moved on the motion of Mrs. Gwin, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

On a motion by Mr. Butch, and a second by Mrs. Gwin, Dr. Joseph Gallo was approved to continue as the school physician for the 2013-2014 school year. He has indicated he will provide his services for the fee of \$8,000.00, which is the same as this current year. A roll call vote was taken, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Appointed Dr. Joseph Gallo as school physician for 13/14

The 2013-2014 LCCTC Budget was presented for approval. The total budget is \$6,842,838 with the operating costs for the schools at \$4,750,356. Mrs. Kwolek explained that the Joint Operating Committee approved the closing of the Practical Nursing Program at the Career and Technical Center in February 2014. Mr. Singer motioned approval of the budget, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

2013-2014 LCCTC Budget approved

The following requests for travel will be presented for approval:

- Mrs. Fracul, Mr. McCaskey, Ms. Glass and Mrs. Stevens to attend the 2013 Secondary Transition Conference on July 25 – 26, 2013 in State College.
- Miss Nicole Nocera to attend the Watson Institute TEACCH training from July 29 – August 2, 2013 in Sewickley, PA.
- Mr. Cameron Schirmer and Mr. Clifford Wallace to attend the PAAE Ag Teacher Summer Conference from July 8 – 12, 2013 in Manheim, PA.
- Mr. Clifford Wallace to accompany students to the PA FFA Western Leadership Workshop from July 18 – 19, 2013 in Conneaut Lake, PA.

Requests for travel approved

So moved on the motion of Mr. Laughner, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Real Estate Additions and Exonerations were presented for approval. The current exonerations total \$2,099,600 and the current additions are \$3,120,600 bringing the YTD exonerations to \$2,118,500 and YTD additions to \$3,120,600 which translates to a YTD gain of \$1,002,100, or \$13,117.49 actual tax dollars. Mrs. Gwin motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried. (Copy Attached)

Approved Real Estate Additions & Exonerations

Consideration was given to the approval to transfer Ron Ault from the midnight custodian shift to the afternoon/weekend custodian shift. So moved by Mr. Butch, seconded by Mrs. Gwin, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Ron Ault transferred from midnight to afternoon shift

Consideration was given to the approval to solicit bids for gasoline and diesel fuel for the 2013-14 school year. So moved by Mr. Singer, seconded by Mrs. Gwin, verbal vote, motion carried.

Granted permission to solicit bids for gasoline/diesel fuel for 13/14

Consideration was given to accept the bid price of \$500.00 for the sale of a parcel from Repository for Unsold Properties – Parcel ID 24-024600 – Mahoning Township. Mr. Butch motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Accepted bid price for sale of a parcel

Consideration was given to the approval of PlanCon K for the GOB Series of 2013 to be submitted to PDE. Once this is approved and submitted, we will receive our lease number, which allows us to apply for reimbursement of debt service payments. Mr. Butch motioned approval, seconded by Mrs. Gwin, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

PlanCon K for GOB Series 2013 approved

On the motion of Mrs. Gwin and a second by Mr. Laughler, approval was granted to cancel both the Committee and Regular Board Meeting for the month of July, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Granted permission to cancel Committee & Regular Board Mtg. for the month of July

The following were recognized by Mrs. Kwolek this evening:

- Commendation from the Department of Education regarding audit.
- WPIAL Girl's and Boy's Track winners.
- Acceptance of the Special Education Plan
- Summer Reading Program Grant.

There were no comments from Elementary PTO or Mohawk Education Association.

At 8:25 P.M., the meeting was adjourned on the motion of Mrs. Gwin, seconded by Mr. Hiler, verbal vote, motion carried.

Janet L. Crum
Board Secretary