

The Regular Meeting of the Mohawk Area School District Board of Directors was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by the President, Ted Morrow, and commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silence. The following members were present: Eugene A. Butch, Jr., Stephen Cardella, Harry J. Curatola, Jr., Mark Hiler and Scott Singer. James Capalbo, Lori Griffin and Jonathan Laughner were excused. Kathleen Kwolek, Superintendent, Lorree Houk, Assistant to the Superintendent, Raymond Omer, High School Principal, Greg Ferencak, Assistant High School Principal, Bradlee Meehan, Elementary Principal, George Sperdute, Assistant Elementary Principal, Jamie Stevens, Directors of Pupil Services, John R. Seltzer, Solicitor and Janet Crum, Board Secretary also attended.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 9, 2015, and the Committee Meeting on April 7, 2015 were approved as written on the motion of Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Singer, verbal vote, motion carried.

Kess Gordan, Student Delegate, as well as each Administrator, updated the Board on recent activities and events.

Recognition of the Audience:

- Extreme Leadership – Aliyah Gage and Joelle Bromley
- Outdoor Sensory Center– Mrs. Jamie Stevens and Emily Weingartner
- Lil Warriors – Mrs. Sarah McBride-Kraynak

There were no public comments this evening.

The Financial Report dated March 31, 2015 was presented for approval. Approval was granted on the motion of Mr. Curatola, 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. Singer motioned to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Curatola, 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

GENERAL FUND

Prepaid \$ 706,293.56
Current \$ 207,730.43

SCHOOL LUNCH

Prepaid \$ 31,991.41

There were four additions to the agenda this evening including two resignations, a use of facilities request and naming an electric supplier. Mr. Hiler motioned approval to add these items to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Curatola, verbal vote, motion carried.

Approved additions to the agenda

Consideration was given to the following resignations/leave requests:

- Mrs. Sandra Jane Ann Sullivan – Elementary Teacher – Retirement.
- Mrs. Terri Emery – Elementary Paraprofessional – Retirement.
- Mrs. Mary Ann Henley – Special Education Paraprofessional – Resignation.
- Mr. Robert Fadden – Head Boys' Basketball Coach – Resignation.
- Mrs. Beth Simari-Zarlingo – Leave April 8, 2015 through June 5, 2015.

Approved resignations / leaves as presented

So moved by Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Singer, verbal vote, motion carried.

Consideration was given to employing the following as summer custodians:

- Ms. Wanda O'Neill – High School
- Ms. Jacquie Uhrain – High School
- Ms. Kim Fredericks – High School
- Ms. Bobbi Jo Bauder – High School
- Ms. Sharon Reynolds – High School
- Ms. Sally Romeo – Elementary

Summer custodians approved

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

Likewise, Colleen Harman was added to the 2014-15 Daily Substitute List in the cafeteria on the motion of Mr. Singer, seconded by Mr. Cardella, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Approved addition to daily substitute list for cafeteria

The following list of coaches was presented for approval:

- Mallory Jones – Softball Volunteer
- Mark Seminara – Boys' Soccer – Assistant
- Kevin Byers – Boys' Soccer – Volunteer
- Ryan Castor – Boys' Soccer – Volunteer

Coaches
approved as
presented

Mr. Cardella motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to remitting payment directly to the LCCTC by July 1, 2015 in the amount of \$256,375.44, which is equal to the assessed portion of the HVAC project and represents 12.82% of the \$2,000,000.00 needed. Mr. Curatola motioned approval pending receipt of the \$207,103.20 due us from LCCTC as a tuition refund for the 2013-14 year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Granted
permission to
remit payment
to LCCTC

The following Travel Requests were presented for approval:

- FCCLA State Officer, Matthew Fleck, to attend the PAFCCLA State Executive Council from April 10-11, 2015 in Donegal, PA.
- Mary Fleming and one parent to accompany three students to the FCCLA National Convention in Washington, D.C. from July 5 – 9, 2015.
- Toby McConahy to attend the G364: Multi-Hazard Planning for School from April 28-29, 2015 in Greensburg, PA.

Approved
requests for
travel

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.

The following Use of Facilities Requests were presented for approval:

- Bessemer/Mohawk Rotary to use the high school kitchen/cafeteria for their annual dinner on April 25 and 26, 2015.
- Sweet Pea Patch to use the elementary cafeteria for their preschool graduation on May 21, 2015.
- Mohawk Area Alumni Association to use the High School cafeteria on August 1, 2015 for their annual reunion.

Use of Facilities
requests
approved

Mr. Curatola motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Cardella, 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 additions are \$13,200 and current exonerations are \$94,600 bringing the YTD additions to \$13,200 and the YTD exonerations to \$98,300 which translates to a YTD loss in assessed value of \$85,100 or \$1,113.96 in actual tax dollars. Approval was granted 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 Attached)

Real estate additions/
exonerations
approved

Consideration was given to enter into an agreement with FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. to supply electric to the district at a fixed cost of \$.0602 from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. So moved by Mr. Singer, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 6 yes, 3 absent, motion carried.

Agreement with
FirstEnergy
Solutions
approved

The minutes of the Local Advisory Committee were presented to the Board for their consideration.

Dr. Kwolek recognized the following:

- Layne Perretta – FCCLA Gold Medal in Life Event Planning
- Kayla Wallace – FCCLA Silver Medal in Teach in Train
- Cast and Crew of **Grease**.
- 2014-15 MAC Student Athlete Spotlight Awards – Nick Matsukas and Maria Fleck.
- Kerri Myers – Class of 1993 – a 2015 inductee into the Lawrence County Sports Hall of Fame.
- 1969-70 Mohawk Basketball Team – recipients of the Ellis Hoffman Team Award at the Lawrence County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet.

Mr. Meehan reported the following activities on behalf of the Elementary PTO:

- Easter Candy Sale
- Senior Scholarships
- Book Fair
- Annual Teacher Luncheon

There was no comment from the Mohawk Education Association.

At 8:30 P.M., Mr. Morrow adjourned the meeting to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Janet L. Crum
Board Secretary