

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., Mark Hiler, Jonathan Laughner and Scott Singer. Harry J. Curatola, Jr., Diane Gwin, Lori Griffin and David Spears were excused. Superintendent Kathleen Kwolek, Assistant to the Superintendent, Lorree Houk, Assistant High School Principal, Gregory Ferencak, Elementary Principal, Bradlee Meehan, John R. Seltzer, Solicitor and Janet Crum, Secretary, were also in attendance.

Each Administrator updated the Board on the summer progress in preparation for the start of the new school year.

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on June 17, 2013, and the Committee of the Whole Meeting on August 5, 2013 were accepted as written on the motion of Mr. Laughner, seconded by Mr. Singer, verbal vote, motion carried.

There were no public comments.

The Financial Reports dated June 30, 2013 and July 31, 2013 were presented for approval. So moved on the motion of Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Financial Reports Attached)

Financial Report approved

Mr. Butch motioned to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copies of all invoices on file in the Business Office)

General Fund, School Lunch, Construction & Scholarship Bills approved

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GENERAL FUND		
Prepaid	\$ 875,481.12	
Current	\$ 466,923.63	
 SCHOOL LUNCH		
Prepaid	\$ 50,966.66	
 CONSTRUCTION		
Prepaid	\$ 23,341.08	
 SCHOLARSHIP		
Prepaid	\$ 16,414.12	

There were three additions to the agenda this evening, which included employment and two resignations. On the motion of Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Laughner, approval was granted to include them in the agenda, verbal vote, motion carried.

Approved additions to the agenda

Consideration was given to the following leave requests, employment and resignations:

- Mrs. Amy Ford – High School Teacher – leave from approximately September 12 through December 2, 2013.
- Mrs. Melissa DeCarbo – Elementary Teacher – leave from approximately August 20 through October 22, 2013.
- Miss Kendra LeFebvre – resignation from the position of Elementary Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional.
- Ms. Geraldine Clark – resignation from the position of bus driver.
- Mrs. Lisa Kowlek – employment as an Elementary Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional for the 2013-14 year.

Approved leaves, employment and resignations.

The above were approved on the motion of Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to grant authorization to the Administration, at the discretion of the Superintendent, to fill staff vacancies which are necessary to assure continuity of programs from August 13, 2013 through September 9, 2013, with Board confirmation at the next meeting. So moved by Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Superintendent granted permission to fill staff vacancies.

The following list of Fall Sports Coaches was presented for approval:

Football – Varsity

Joe Lamenza – Head
Nick Lamenza – Asst. 1
A J Ross – Asst. 2

Mike Burkett – Asst. 3
Gerald Guido – Asst. 4
Frank Tate – Asst. 5
Anthony Conforti – Volunteer Asst.

Football – Jr. High

Tim McCutcheon – Head
Brian King – Asst.
Richard Robb – Asst.
Cody Schubert – Volunteer Asst.

Girl's Soccer

Lisa Kwolek – Head
Doug Moon – Asst.
Josh Kwolek – Vol.

Cross Country

Dave Bredl – Head

Girl's Jr. High BB

Mike O'Lare – 8th Grade
Fred Puglia – 7th Grade

Approved Fall Sports Coaches

Volleyball

Britney Kwolek – Head
Megan Hruska – Asst.

Boy's Soccer

Greg Aydt – Head
David Champ – Asst.

Golf

Brad Hruska – Head

Mr. Laughner motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

The following list of Transportation employees for the 2013-2014 school year was presented for approval:

Richard Altman	Wynell Dessau	John Norge
Teri Bailey	Todd Exposito	Kurt Ordak
Loraine Baker	Jean Henry	Tonya Parker
Thomas Cowher	Catherine Jones	Sharon Reynolds
Stefanie Capalbo	Dorothy Hyberg	Latoya Smith
Geraldine Clark	Susan Krauss	Joyce Stokes
John Craig	Martin Krisuk	Rebekah Veon
Beverly Culley	Marthanne LeFebvre	Rosalind Werner
Paul Cummings	Frank Luketic	Anthony Sotiriou

Transportation
employees
approved

Substitutes:

Robert Glass
Robert Grimm
Glenn Leslie
Regina Kastner
Charles McKee, Jr.
Patricia Pezzulo
Terri Trott

So moved on the motion of Mr. Laughner, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Mr. Hiler motioned approval to hold the 2014 Graduation Ceremony at the Scottish Rite Cathedral on June 5, 2014, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Approval was granted to continue the 5th Grade annual trip to Gettysburg on May 23, 2014, on the motion of Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

2014 Graduation
Ceremony will
be held at
Scottish Rite
Cathedral on
6/5/14

Permission
granted for 5th
Grade annual
Gettysburg trip

Mr. Tim Bromley is requesting approval to activate an Outdoor Club. His plan is to grow the club from just archery to include more activities, and he understands there is no stipend involved for the advisor. Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy of by-laws attached)

Permission granted to activate an Outdoor Club

Consideration was given to the approval to solicit bids for fencing around the playground of the Elementary Building. So moved by Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Laughner, verbal vote, motion carried.

Approval to solicit bids for playground fencing

Consideration was given to the first reading of Board Policy No. 831 – Electronic Signatures. Mrs. Kwolek explained that we are permitted to use electronic signatures in most instances if there is a policy in place. Mr. Laughner motioned approval of the first reading, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Approved first reading of Board Policy No. 831

Consideration was given to the approval of the LCCAP/School District Collaboration Agreement and PDE 3086 for the Head Start Program for the 2013-2014 school year. Mrs. Kwolek explained this program has been operating successfully in our building for several years and there will be two classrooms again this coming year consisting of a maximum of 40 children, all of which are our students. This agreement must be approved on an annual basis. So moved by Mr. Laughner, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Agreement and PDE 3086 attached)

LCCAP/ School District Collaboration Agreement & PDE 3086 for Head Start 2013/14 approved

Consideration was given to the approval of the agreement between MASD and Lawrence County Drug and Alcohol Commission for prevention services for the 2013-2014 school year at the same cost as last year of \$2,185.00. Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Laughner, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Agreement attached)

LCCAP/ School District Collaboration Agreement & PDE 3086 for Head Start 2013/14 approved

Consideration was given to the acceptance of a Union Area School District senior student, BreAnna Conner, to attend Mohawk for the 2013-2014 school year to participate in the Vocational Agriculture Program. Union has already approved her attendance and agreed to pay the tuition costs. So moved by Mr. Singer, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried.

Granted permission for Union ASD student to attend Mohawk in 2013/14

Consideration will be given to contracting with TSA Consulting Group, Inc. to provide third party administrator services for the 403-b plans replacing Employer Admin Services, Inc. There is no cost to the district for these services. Mr. Hiler motioned acceptance, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy of contract on file in Business Office)

Approved TSA Consulting Group for provide third party admin. For 403-b plans

Real Estate Additions and Exonerations were presented for approval. The current exonerations total \$699,200 and the current additions are \$360,900 bringing the YTD exonerations to \$2,817,700 and YTD additions to \$3,481,500 which translates to a YTD gain of \$663,800 or \$8,689.14 in actual tax dollars. Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 5 yes, 4 absent, motion carried. (Copy Attached)

Real Estate Additions/Exon. approved

Mrs. Kwolek recognized the following:

- FCCLA National Competition winners and Thank You notes
- 2013 AAU National Competition – Mckenzie Stelter
- PAAE participation – Mr. Clifford Wallace and Mr. Cameron Schirmer

There were no comments from Elementary PTO.

Ms. Komorek invited the Board to the MEA picnic to be held next Thursday, August 22, 2013 at 1:00. P.M.

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

Janet L. Crum
Board Secretary