

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

The minutes of the Board Meeting on March 10, 2014 were accepted as written on the motion of Mr. Curatola, seconded by Mr. Hiler, verbal vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Peterson announced the new student delegates that were present at the meeting - Maria Fleck, Kess Gordon, Katy McAnallen, Jamie Trotter, and David Westcott. The students reported on all of the Spring sports and activities.

Likewise, each Administrator reported on the activities in their buildings. Mr. Meehan noted they would not be holding Kindergarten Kamp this summer due to the renovations in the Elementary, rather there is going to be a modified beginning schedule for just the Kindergarten Class.

At this time, Meghan Kennedy, director of the Elementary Musical, and several students presented a snippet from their play "The Little Mermaid, Jr." The following students participated:

Olivia Ferraro - Ariel
Mikaela Theisler - Ursula
Mikayla MacQuarrie - Flotsam
Sydney Madrid - Jetsam
Riley Ferlan - Ursula's Tentacle
Mackenzie Johnson - Ursula's Tentacle
Lila Jones - Ursula's Tentacle
Cassie Jones - Ursula's Tentacle

The Board thoroughly enjoyed their presentation and Miss Kennedy invited everyone to attend on May 1 or 2, 2014.

At 8:10 P.M., Mr. Singer joined the meeting.

The Financial Report dated March 31, 2014, as well as the quarterly Budget Transfers were presented for approval. So moved on the motion of Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Curatola, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried. (Copy of Financial Report and Budget Transfers Attached)

Financial Report approved

Mr. Butch motioned to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Curatola, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried. (Copies of all invoices on file in the Business Office)

General Fund, School Lunch bills approved

GENERAL FUND

Prepaid	\$ 578,605.18
Current	\$ 219,151.38

SCHOOL LUNCH

Prepaid	\$ 31,090.60
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There were no additions to the agenda this evening:

Consideration was given to the acceptance of the following resignations due to retirement:

- Mrs. Patricia Byers – Family and Consumer Science Teacher for approximately 29 years.
- Mrs. Anne Kephart – Family and Consumer Science Teacher for approximately 18 years.
- Mrs. Cindy McCullough – Elementary Teacher for approximately 35 years.
- Mrs. Mary E. (Libby) Toth – Elementary Teacher for approximately 36.5 years.

Accepted resignations as presented

Mrs. Kwolek commented that, collectively, these ladies had educated the youth at Mohawk in excess of 118 years. Mr. Singer motioned acceptance, seconded by Mrs. Griffin, verbal vote, motion carried.

Consideration was given to employing the following for summer technology positions at \$11.00/hour:

- Mr. Aaron Pace
- Mrs. Lisa Kwolek
- Mrs. Amanda Long
- Mrs. Amy Donston
- Mrs. Rachal Glass

Approved summer technology positions

So moved on the motion of Mr. Curatola, seconded by Mr. Capalbo, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to the approval of the following substitute teachers:

- Lindsey Henry – Certified
- Victoria Ludwig – Emergency
- Lori Stelter – Emergency
- Mark Wendel – Emergency

Approved substitute teachers

Mr. Butch motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Hiler, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to the approval of the following Individual Transportation Contract:

- Justin Stiles to transport one student to Laurel School District, New Castle, PA at a cost of \$28.00/day.

Individual Transportation Contract approved

Mr. Cardella motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Consideration was given to the approval for Matthew Fleck to apply as an FCCLA State Officer Candidate. There is no additional cost to the District. So moved on the motion of Mr. Hiler, seconded by Mr. Butch, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Granted permission for a student to apply as a State Officer Candidate

Likewise, consideration was also given to the approval for Jared Gustafson, current FCCLA State President, to run for a National Office. Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mrs. Griffin, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Granted permission for a student to run for a National Office

Consideration was given to the approval of the Consortium Proposal for 2014-15 with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV. This proposal incorporates both Title I and Title II/A funds. It was explained that all districts in the consortium receive the federal funds as flow through money from the MIU IV. They are responsible for all of the reporting and we pay a small administrative fee. Mr. Butch motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Cardella, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried. (Copy Attached)

Approved Consortium Proposal for 14-15 with Midwestern Int. Unit IV

The following travel requests were presented for approval:

- Mr. Toby McConahy to attend the American School Counselor Association 2014 Conference from June 29 – July 2, 2014 in Orlando, FL.
- Mrs. Patricia Byers to accompany four (4) students to the FCCLA National Conference from July 5 – 10, 2014 in San Antonio, TX. Mrs. Kwolek explained that Mrs. Byers budgeted approximately \$4,500.00 for this trip; however there are one or two additional students that have qualified, which increases the cost about \$1,500.00. She is recommending the District cover the excess cost. So moved by Mr. Butch, seconded by Mr. Curatola, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Approved requests for travel

Consideration was given to the approval of the following Use of Facilities request:

- Mohawk Area Churches Association to host this year's Baccalaureate service in the High School Auditorium on Sunday, June 1, 2014. Mrs. Kwolek stated we will not charge the customary fees.

Use of Facilities request approved

Mr. Singer motioned approval, seconded by Mrs. Griffin, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Real estate additions and exonerations were presented for approval. The current and YTD exonerations total \$471,200 and current and YTD additions total \$105,500, which translates to a YTD loss of \$365,700 or \$4,787.01 in actual tax dollars. Approval was granted on the motion of Mr. Cardella, seconded by Mr. Singer, roll call vote, all members present voting in the affirmative, 8 yes, 1 absent, motion carried. (Copy Attached)

Real estate additions/exonerations approved

Mrs. Kwolek recognized the following:

- Cast and Crew of "The Music Man"
- Lawrence County Autism Warriors – Pizza Cook-Off
Mrs Krisuk was in attendance and told the Board they raised \$8,000.00 indicating the funds would be used to pay for speakers to educate parents with autistic children from all over the county.
- Mrs. Patricia Byers – 2014 FCCLA Spirit of Advising Award
- Mrs. Kathleen Kwolek – FCCLA Local Chapter Service Award. At this time, Mrs. Kwolek was presented with a gift of appreciation from members of FCCLA.

Mr. Meehan, speaking on behalf of P.T.O., informed the Board of all their recent projects and activities including the yearbook sale, playground upgrades and repairs, the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon on May 14th, etc.

There were no comments from the Mohawk Education Association.

At 8:50 P.M. the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel on the motion of Mr. Singer, seconded by Mr. Cardella, verbal vote, motion carried.

Janet L. Crum
Board Secretary