

MENDOTA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Mendota Township High School District No. 280, LaSalle, Bureau, and Lee Counties, IL was held in the high school boardroom on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 6:05 p.m. pursuant to rule with a quorum present.

The meeting was called to order by President Ayers, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following members were recorded as present: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. Absent was Bauer. Also in attendance were Supt. Prusator, Kevin Heide (1st Midstates) and members of the media.

Citizens Agenda-Kevin Heide of 1st Midstates discussed with the board the ISBE ruling in regards to Bond Fund transfer to O&M of \$240,000 which the auditor now says must be reversed. Heide spoke with the board about the issuing of Working Cash Bonds to cover this transfer. Discussion followed. He also told the board that there are approx. \$325,000 that could be restructured/refunded that would create an approx. \$15,579 in savings when these bonds are paid. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Strouss to approve the resolution to authorize Working Cash Bonds up to \$300,000. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

It was also the recommendation of the board to act on the restructure/refund of \$325,000 of bonds as discussed by Kevin Heide.

Supt Prusator told the board that FFA Advisor, Jeff Landers is looking at purchasing a covered trailer for use with different FFA projects. The cost is approx. \$5,045 and will be paid with monies in the FFA fund. This is not an action item; however, Landers wanted to inform the board of the purchase.

Ayers asked for questions or correction on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 15, 2011 and Special Board Meeting minutes of August 12, 2011. A motion was made by Strouss, seconded by May to approve the minutes as presented to the board. The vote was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

Ayers asked for questions or comments on the following Financial Reports:

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Imprest Fund and Reimbursement
3. Activity Fund Report
4. Cafeteria Report

A motion was made by Strouss, seconded by Burke to approve the above named Financial Reports as presented to the board. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

Ayers asked for questions or comments on the Current Payment of Bills. Supt Prusator asked that a bill from Meriden Grain be added. This was to purchase grass seed for the area behind the bleachers at the new stadium. He asked that the board also thank Jeff Landers and his student teacher for organizing a group of students to help with the seeding. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Stewart to approve the Bills Payable as presented to the board with the addition of the Meriden Grain Bill (\$1386.00). Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

Fund Balance Report - No board action required.

Administrative Cost – No board action required.

Board Members – Reports or Requests – None

Principal Report – None (Mrs. Aughenbaugh not in attendance)

District and Business Reports-Supt Prusator

1. Recognition of School Approval. Yearly approval by board is necessary. A motion was made by Strouss, seconded by May to approve the Recognition of School. The vote was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

2. Ten Day Enrollment – The enrollment stands at 614.

3. Veterans' Day Ceremony-Will be held 11/11 @ 12:30 pm. District 289 and Holy Cross will be participating with grades 6-12 attending the ceremony.

4. Approval of FY12 Budget – A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Stewart to approve the FY12 Budget as presented to the board. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

5. Spring Athletic Budget – Tabled until October 17, 2011 Board Meeting.

6. Resolution to Transfer Funds (\$15,835) from the Stadium Account (Resident in Student Fund) to the Capital Projects Fund. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Strouss to approve the resolution as stated. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

7. Resolution to Transfer Funds (\$50,000) from the Pepsi Account (Resident in the Student Fund) to the Capital Projects Fund. A motion was made by Stewart, seconded by May

to approve the resolution as stated. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

8. Resolution for Partial Abatement of Working Cash Funds to the O&M Fund in the amount of \$240,000. Short discussion followed. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Ayers to approve the resolution as stated. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

9. Resolution to transfer \$240,000 from the O&M Fund to the Capital Projects Fund. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by May to approve the resolution as stated. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

With no further matters to discuss in open session a motion was made by Burke, seconded by Stewart to recess into closed session for the following purposes: 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and 2) review closed meeting minutes of August 15, 2011. The motion was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

The meeting adjourned into closed session at approx. 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Phalen
Board Recording Secretary

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IX. Additional Business – Back in Open Session @ 7:10 p.m.

A. Motions from closed session.

List of motions made by Cathy Burke, Secretary

1. Motion to accept resignation of Toni Kilmartin. 2nd with regret by Stewart. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

2. Motion to accept Winter and Spring Coaching Assignments per list. 2nd by Ayers. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Strouss, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Strouss, seconded by May to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Burke
Board Secretary