

MENDOTA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Mendota Township High School District No. 280, LaSalle, Bureau, and Lee Counties, Illinois was held in the high school boardroom on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to rule with a quorum present.

President Ayers called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following members were recorded as present: Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart and Ayers. Absent were Bauer and Strouss. Also in attendance were: Supt. Prusator, Prin. Aughenbaugh, Jodi Moore, and member of the media.

During the Citizen's Agenda/Non-Agenda Items Supt. Prusator told the board about the pictures from HR imaging that are being displayed in the hallways at MHS. These pictures show many of the extracurricular events that students have participated in this fall. More pictures will be coming of additional events during the coming months.

Supt Prusator also handed out to the board members a book from DLA Architects which contains photographs of the new stadium. A copy of this book will also be in the MHS media center.

Vercimak asked for questions or comments on the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2011. A motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Lauer to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2011 as presented to the board. The vote was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

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

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Imprest Fund Report and Reimbursement
3. Activity Fund Report
4. Cafeteria Report
5. Approve Current Payment of Bills

A motion was made by May, seconded by Burke to approve the above mentioned reports as presented to the board. Upon roll call the following votes were recorded: Ayes: Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

No board action required on Fund Balance Report. Supt. Prusator reported that with 33% of year done; the budget is on target.

No Board Member Reports or Requests.

Ayers asked Principal Aughenbaugh for her report.

Aughenbaugh reported on the following items:

1. P/T Conferences were held 11/3-4. Also during the P/T Conferences a Parent Connect Training was held by Mr. LeRette.
2. Veterans' Day Assembly 11/11-MHS should be very proud of its' students and staff for the assembly presented. Also commended were Mr. Jason Artman and the US History (Accel) class for their research for this project.
3. Student Information Registration Guide & Curriculum Committee-The Curriculum Committee met several times. Thanked Mrs. Ayers for being the board representative for the committee. The committee recommended that PE/FFL be computed into the GPA. Discipline point system in PE/FFL would be removed. This changed if approved would be the only change in the Student Information Registration Guide. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Burke, seconded by May to approve the Student Information Registration Guide as per the recommendation of the Curriculum Committee and changes to the PE/FFL classes. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes: Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.
4. Commendations-
 - a. DAR Winner – Karina Avila
 - b. SAR Winner – Evan Doran
 - c. Spanish National Honor Society Magazine-Mrs Roedl has reported that Pedro Nanez and Zach Lewis were recently honored in their magazine.
 - d. Veterans' Day Program – Held 11/11/11 at MHS. Students from MHS, Northbrook, and Holy Cross participated. Mrs. Aughenbaugh thanked all those students, staff, and community for their involvement in the program.

Ayers thanked Aughenbaugh for her report and asked Supt. Prusator for the District and Business Report.

Prusator gave the board an overview of the preliminary Tax Levy. Discussion and historical data was given. No action necessary until the December board meeting.

Prusator asked the board to consider this the 1st Reading of the Student Athlete Concussions & Head Injury Policy. Approval of policy will be at the December meeting.

Prusator asked the board for Approval/Rejection of Snow Removal Bid. One bid was received from Mauch Carpentry. The bid amount was at the same rate as the previous year (\$60/hr per piece of equipment). Discussion followed. It was asked that bid for snow removal be put out a month earlier for next year's bid. A motion was made by Ayers, seconded by Lauer to approve the Snow Removal Bid from Mauch Carpentry as received. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes-Burke, Lauer, May and Ayers. Nays: Stewart. Motion carried.

Prusator talked about the need to Appoint a Joint Reduction in Force Committee. This is necessary due to Senate Bill 7. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Lauer,

seconded by May to appoint the administration to represent board members in the Joint Reduction in Force Committee. The vote was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

Prusator asked for approval of the Health Insurance Renewal from Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The district saw an overall decrease of 5%. This is good news compared to other districts in the area. A motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Burke to approve the Health Insurance Renewal as presented to the board. Upon roll call the following votes were recorded: Ayes: Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

Prusator told the board that the ROE Compliance visit had been completed. MHS is in full compliance. This visit is every 3 years.

Prusator reported to the board that at the Annual Mendota Chamber of Commerce dinner held the first part of November; MHS received the Chamber Beautification Award for the New Athletic Stadium. MHS received a plaque which will be displayed in the boardroom.

With no further business to conduct in open session a motion was made by Lauer, seconded by May to recess into closed session for the following purposes: 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; 2) review closed meeting minutes of 10/17/2011; 3) negotiations; and 4) pending litigation. Upon roll call the following votes were recorded: Ayes: Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed into closed session at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Phalen
Board Recording Secretary

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IX. Additional Business-meeting back in open session @ 8:07 pm

A. Motions from closed session.

1. Approve Maternity Leave for Mrs. Amy Wilson (8 week leave- 1/3/2012 thru 3/8/2012. Motion made by Burke, seconded by Ayers. Upon roll call the following vote was recorded: Ayes-Burke, Lauer, May, Stewart, and Ayers. No nays. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Ayers, seconded by May. Motion was unanimously in favor by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Burke
Board Secretary