

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
MIDLAND COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #7, MARSHALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

APRIL 27, 2009

The Board of Education, Midland Community Unit District #7, Marshall County, Illinois met in regular session on April 27, 2009, pursuant to due notice given. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Board President, Steve Jesse.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Colvin, Strong, Streitmatter, Koehler, Leigh, Foster and Jesse. Absent: None.

Also present were Superintendent Rolf Sivertsen, Principal Dan Mair, Principal Julie Albers, Principal Peg Frey, LeRoy Poignant and Recording Secretary, Terri Davis.

VISITORS

Visitors included Gary Smith, Bill Sondag, Jackie Smith, Brandi Dunphy, Harriett Cowell, Tim Cowell, Gloria Giosta, Terry Giosta, Samantha Dunphy, Jeff Gilkerson, Jill Anderson, Gary Anderson, Tina Kingen and many other too numerous to mention..

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Strong, seconded by Leigh, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote for approval of the agenda with the addition of overnight trips for the Bass Fishing and softball teams, and the h.s. English Credit Recovery Program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Gilkerson addressed the Board regarding the possibility of forming a high school wrestling team.

Terry Giosta addressed the Board regarding Board policies.

Jackie Smith addressed the Board regarding the proposed 09/10 school calendar.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
CERTIFIED RESULTS  
OF 4/7/2009 ELECTION

Motion was made by Foster, seconded by Colvin, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to accept and acknowledge the certified results of the April 7, 2009 election results.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR  
NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Board President, Steve Jesse, administered the oath of office newly elected board member, Leroy Poignant; and incumbents, Jenelle Colvin and Dave Streitmatter. Pat Strong was then presented a plaque thanking him for his 8 years of service on the Midland School Board.

ADJOURN SINE DIE

Motion was made by Strong, seconded by Colvin, and carried by unanimous vote to adjourn sine die.

REORGANIZATION OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Foster with all members present voting aye to appoint Steve Jesse as president pro tem and Terri Davis as secretary pro tem (to maintain minutes).

At 7:25 P.M. President Pro Tem, Steve Jesse, called the new Board to order. Members present were: Foster, Colvin, Leigh, Koehler, Streitmatter, Poignant and Jesse.

Motion was made by Leigh, seconded by Koehler to nominate Steve Jesse for Board president. Being the only candidate nominated for the office of president, Jesse was elected president by acclamation.

Motion was made Foster, seconded by Streitmatter to nominate Mark Leigh to be Board vice president. Leigh was unanimously elected as vice president.

Motion was made by Leigh, seconded by Colvin to nominate Dave Streitmatter for the office of secretary. Streitmatter was unanimously elected as secretary.

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Streitmatter, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to appoint Kim Thompson as Board treasurer.

Motion was made by Streitmatter, seconded by Leigh, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to appoint Whitt Law as District attorneys.

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Colvin, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve Marshall County State Bank, First National Bank of Lacon, and PMA Financial as depositories for District funds.

Motion was made by Colvin, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote for reaffirmation of existing Board of Education contracts.

Motion was made by Foster, seconded by Poignant, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote for reaffirmation of existing policies and procedures.

Motion was made by Leigh, seconded by Poignant and carried by a unanimous roll call vote for the establishment of Board of Education Committee Membership. The committees will be as follows: Finance, Building-Grounds, Transportation, School Improvement/Curriculum, Negotiations, Technology and Policy. Serving on the Finance Committee: \*Koehler, Colvin and Streitmatter. Building and Grounds: \*Leigh, Streitmatter, Poignant. Transportation: \*Streitmatter, Foster, Poignant. School Improvement/Curriculum: \*Colvin, Streitmatter, Poignant. Negotiations: \*Leigh, Koehler, and Colvin. Technology: \*Foster, Leigh, and Koehler. Policy: \*Foster, Leigh, and Colvin.

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to accept the proposed meeting dates, locations and times.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Sivertsen discussed financial information, repairs and improvement projects.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS

Principal Albers reported that the size of the incoming 2009-2010 kindergarten class will be approximately 70 students.

Principal Mair recognized the Beth Rock and the choral group for their performance over the weekend as well as the Envirothon team which took first place at Regionals. He also recognized Ladonna Hiell, Scott & Kim Johnson, Beth Ann McKee, Mitch & Melinda Jesse, and Norm and Diane Crook for all of their help in planning, setting up and supervising post prom activities.

Mr. Mair introduced FFA President, Samantha Dunphy who placed 1<sup>st</sup> in a public speaking contest. Samantha delivered her speech on Alternate Forms of Energy which she will be presenting at state.

Principal Frey stated she had four middle school students presenting "Service Projects at the Middle School; and the middle school remodel for the Rotary Club on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. She also stated that there will be a meeting held at the middle school on the evening of May 12<sup>th</sup> for the parents of all incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made Leigh, seconded by Poignant, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the Consent Agenda as presented which included minutes from the March 23, 2009 Special Board Meeting, approval of bills and payroll; resignation of the high school football cheerleading coach and review of suspensions.

## OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

## NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Colvin, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the amended calendar as presented with exception of conducting the professional development day on Monday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> instead of Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Poignant, seconded by Leigh, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to employ Susan Decker as high school custodian.

Motion was made by Foster, seconded by Colvin, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the overnight trip to the State Envirothon Competition.

Motion was made by Leigh, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the annual overnight high school canoe trip.

Motion was made by Colvin to accept milk bid of Prairie Farms for the 2009/2010 school. The motion died for lack of a second.

There was no action taken at this time regarding the bread bid for the 2009/2010 school year.

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Poignant, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to accept the Garbage Collection Bid of Wigand Disposal for the 2009/2010 school year.

There was no action taken at this time regarding the bid for Gym Floor Work at the M.S.

The approval of a 3 year computer lease for middle school mobile lab was deferred at this time.

Motion was made by Streitmatter, seconded by Poignant, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to employ Whitney Menold as high school math teacher.

Motion was made by Koehler, seconded by Streitmatter, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the overnight bass fishing trip.

Motion was made by Leigh, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the overnight trip for the high school softball team.

**Motion was made by Colvin, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote for approval of the Credit Recovery Program for H.S. English Program. ??**

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Colvin, seconded by Foster, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to enter into Closed Session at 9:03 p.m. for appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of employees and possible future or impending litigation.

RECONVENE TO  
OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 9:25 p.m.

ACTION FROM  
CLOSED SESSION

There was no action from closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Streitmatter, seconded by Colvin, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary