

Mountain Home School District No. 193

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2009
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Chairman Alexander, Trustee House, Trustee Rodney, Trustee Reynolds, Trustee Houston

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim McMurtrey, James Gilbert, Cliff Ogborn, Sharon Whitman, Connie Donahue, Erin Acarregui, Gayle Henderson, Phil Raney, Ernie Elliott, Albert Longhurst, Nikki Crusier, Jackie Harper, Polly Sanders, Katherine Hudson, William Murray, Jeff Johnson, Sherri Ybarra, Nancy Brletic, John Clark

At 7:30 p.m., Chairman Alexander convened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and called for the first item of business.

Prior to the first agenda item, Chairman Alexander stated there was an addendum to the agenda regarding personnel. He asked for a motion to approve the addendum in accordance with Idaho Code 67-2343 (4)(b)(c). Trustee Rodney called for a motioned to approve the addendum to personnel, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Chairman Alexander called for a roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote as follows:

Chairman Alexander	Aye
Trustee House	Aye
Trustee Rodney	Aye
Trustee Reynolds.....	Aye
Trustee Houston	Aye

and no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, addendum approved.

- I. **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 21, 2009, AND THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF JULY 23, 2009.** Chairman Alexander called for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 21, 2009, and the special board meeting of July 23, 2009. There being no comment, Trustee Rodney moved to approve the regular board meeting of July 21, 2009, and the special board meeting of July 23, 2009, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion approved.
- II. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Cliff Ogborn. Mr. Ogborn reported on the financial statements for July 2009. The June 30, 2009, numbers are preliminary and unaudited so they are subject to change. He said he showed a preliminary unaudited loss for FY 2009 of \$324,824, leaving the district with an overdrawn fund balance of \$125,759. The statements for July reflected a balance of \$1,157,311. Investments in the State Investment Pool are at \$38,769. Unobligated cash and investments are \$728,051 net of interfund payables. The Income Statement reflected revenue through July is \$320,964. Expenses show salaries are at \$1,194,793 of original budget, and benefits are \$574,638. As of July 31, we have a net margin of expenses over revenues in excess of \$1,622,625. Trustee House moved to approve the financial report as presented by Mr. Ogborn. Motion seconded by Trustee Rodney. Motion passed.
- III. **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS** – Cliff Ogborn. Mr. Ogborn presented the district bills for approval. Trustee Rodney moved to authorize payment of the district's bills as presented, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion carried. (A full and complete listing of the District's bills may be reviewed at the District Office, Accounts Payable.)
- IV. **STAFF/STUDENT RECOGNITION – None**
- V. **DELEGATION – None**
- VI. **PUBLIC INPUT – None**

VII. **REPORTS –**

A. **MOUNTAIN HOME AFB UPDATE** – Mr. Dennis Scott. Mr. Scott didn't attend.

B. **ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) 2008-2009** – Tim McMurtrey. Mr. McMurtrey reported on the AYP status of the district and individual schools. The good news is that East Elementary, North Elementary, Base Primary, and Pine Elementary/Junior High made AYP for the 2008-2009 school year. Unfortunately, MHHS didn't make AYP in the Graduation Rate; however, we are in the process of appealing the decision. MHJH didn't make AYP in Hispanic Reading and Math Proficiency, Economically Disadvantaged Math Proficiency, and Student With Disabilities Math and Reading Proficiency. HMS didn't make AYP in Math Proficiency, Hispanic Math Proficiency, Economically Disadvantaged Math Proficiency, and Students With Disabilities Reading and Math. West Elementary didn't make AYP in Reading and Math Proficiency, Language Usage Proficiency, Hispanic Reading and Math Proficiency, and Economically Disadvantaged Reading and Math Proficiency. The district therefore didn't make AYP in Graduation Rate, African American Math Proficiency, Hispanic Math Proficiency, LEP Reading and Math Proficiency, Economically Disadvantaged Math Proficiency, and Students with Disabilities Reading and Math Proficiency. Mr. McMurtrey stated that it was important to note improvements overall were made in the areas of Overall Reading, up 2.09% from last year, and continued growth in the sub categories for Reading district wide. Individual schools gained in several areas; however, we need to look closely at our Math Curriculum and this will be our focus this year. He stated that the schools work diligently to make AYP and congratulated those schools that did make AYP. He finds it hard to accept being told that our schools are in Need Improvement when out of 41 targets only 1 target isn't met.

Mr. McMurtrey mentioned the AYP letters have been given to parents and SES letters given to those parents who qualify. He mentioned that technically the state should take over the district this year, but it's unlikely they will. According to the law and state, the district needs to make major organizational changes next year and according to the state, the district's reorganization this year won't count. Chairman Alexander discussed how the state also counts our transferred military students as dropouts and not as transfers. Mountain Home has the largest transfer of students in the state. Mr. McMurtrey said State Superintendent Luna is part of the reauthorization of NCLB. State Superintendent Luna told the superintendents group that he is committed to making it an AYP growth model. Mr. McMurtrey concluded by saying each state selected their state's cutoff score and Idaho chose to be aggressive and have a high cutoff score.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

IX. **NEW BUSINESS –**

A. **TRAVEL REQUEST –**

1. Cross Country Team – MHHS – Oregon Trail Invitational Cross Country Meet, Bully Creek Reservoir, Vale, Oregon, September 15, 2009 – Doug Root. John Clark, on behalf of Mr. Root, requested permission to take the Cross Country Team to the Oregon Trail Invitation Meet at Bully Creek, in Vale, Oregon. Trustee Rodney motioned for approval of the travel request for the Cross Country Team to attend the Oregon Trail Invitational Meet, Bully Creek Reservoir, Vale, Oregon, September 15, 2009, as presented by Mr. Clark. Trustee House seconded the motion. Motion passed.

B. **OUT-OF-DISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS** – James Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert requested approval of the open enrollment applications for 2009-2010 school year.

1. John and Alisa Urquidi for Anna Marie Urquidi, 7th grade, MHJH
2. Rick and Marie Hipwell for Reid Hipwell, 12th grade, MHHS

The parents will provide transportation to and from school.

Trustee House motioned to approve the Out-of-District Open Enrollment Applications for 2009-2010 as presented by Mr. Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Houston. Motion carried.

- C. IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATIONS REQUEST** – James Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert presented transportation reimbursement requests from Tammi Priest for Robert Lynch, 4th grade, East Elementary, residing at Little Camas. The district's policy states reimbursement is to the closest bus stop, which is Toll Gate. A motion by Trustee Rodney to approve the In Lieu of Transportation request for Robert Lynch, as presented by Mr. Gilbert, with a second by Trustee Reynolds. Motion passed.
- D. EMERGENCY LEVY/ENROLLMENT FIGURES** – Tim McMurtrey. Mr. McMurtrey gave the Board the most recent enrollment figures. The district is currently down 146 students, but it is still early and students are registering daily. Mr. McMurtrey stated that if there is a significant increase in enrollment, by law, we could invoke an emergency levy. The timeline to meet the emergency levy is the second Monday in September. The District asked the County Commissioners to extend that timeline to September 8, 2009. He also requested the Board authorize Chairman Alexander to invoke an emergency levy, if enrollment dictates, as required by law. Trustee Rodney moved to authorize Chairman Alexander to invoke an emergency levy, as dictated by enrollment and law, received a second by Trustee Reynolds. Motion approved.
- E. PERSONNEL** – James Gilbert
- 1. Declaration of Hiring Emergency** - Mr. Gilbert explained that we nearly always have to declare a hiring emergency in special education due to the lack of qualified special education teachers. We also have to declare a hiring emergency for high school Biology and junior high school science. This allows the district to hire candidates who are certified teachers but don't have the needed endorsement(s) and seeking alternate route certification under NCLB guidelines. The SDE will fund these positions according to the IBEDS report. Trustee House moved that the Board declare a hiring emergency for the 2009-10 school year in the areas of Special Education, junior high school science, and high school biology as presented by Mr. Gilbert. Trustee Rodney seconded it and the motion was passed.
 - 2.** Mr. Gilbert requested approval of the personnel items including the student teaching assignments and addendum. Trustee Rodney motioned to approve the personnel items and addendum, as presented by Mr. Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Bargman, Lori, 1st Grade Teacher, East Elementary

Cameron, Renae, Assistant Cross Country Coach, MHHS

Case, Judith, 8th Grade B Volleyball Coach, MHJHS

Cook, Cyndi, German Teacher, MHHS

Cotton, Mark, Special Education Teacher, HMS

Custer, Teresa, Reading/Language/Social Studies Teacher, HMS

DenBleyker, Tina M., 2nd Grade Teacher, Base Primary

Ferring, Beth M., 5th Grade Language Arts/Social Studies, HMS

Funk, Michael A., Assistant JV Football Coach, MHHS

Gaines, Chris, 8th Grade Science Teacher, MHJHS

Handy, Tara, Special Education Teacher, MHHS

Horvath, Danielle H., Special Education Teacher, East Elementary

Humphrey, Suzanne M., 6th Grade Social Studies/Science Teacher, HMS

Jennings, Jessica, Chemistry/Biology Teacher, MHHS

Kaurin, Tareena L., Bus Rider, Educational Services

Kulm, Angela R., School Psychologist, Educational Services

Markham, Carrie J., Applied Math Teacher, HMS

McLean, Cara L., Special Education Early Childhood Teacher, North Elementary

Mitchell, Katie I., Special Education Teacher, North Elementary
Peterson, Jill, 7th Grade A Volleyball Coach, MHJHS
 Rayfield, Ben, 9th Grade Assistant Football Coach, MHHS
 Speak, Stephen J., Security, MHJHS
Turpin, Shara, Band Flag Corp/Color Guard Advisor, MHHS

STUDENT TEACHING ASSIGNMENT

Cook, Andrea L. - Liberty University – August 24, 2009 – October 2, 2009 – Base Primary
 Co-operating Teacher – Pam Fortner – 1st Grade

Cook, Andrea L. - Liberty University – October 5, 2009 – December 9, 2009 – Base Primary
 Co-operating Teacher – Travis Henke – 4th Grade

Downey, Amy M., - University of Idaho – August 24, 2009 – June 1, 2010 – Base Primary
 Co-operating Teacher – Ernest Elliott – Administration

Huston, Jessica R. - Boise State University – August 18, 2009 – December 18, 2009 – West
 Co-operating Teacher – Carrie Darkes – 1st Grade

Huston, Jessica R. - Boise State University – January 4, 2010 – May 15, 2010 – West
 Co-operating Teacher – Robin Walker – 4th Grade

Sheridan, Michelle - Boise State University – August 18, 2009 – December 18, 2009 – West
 Co-operating Teacher – Robin Walker – 4th Grade

Sheridan, Michelle - Boise State University – January 4, 2010 – May 15, 2010 – West
 Co-operating Teacher – Carrie Darkes – 1st Grade

RESIGNATIONS

Briggs, Carolyn, Special Education Paraeducator, West Elementary
 Cook, Amy, Special Education Paraeducator, East Elementary
 Galvan, Marcela, ELL Paraeducator, North Elementary
 Huston, Jessica R., Pre-School Paraeducator, North Elementary
Marchant, Andrea, Speech Language Paraeducator, HMS

- X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Negotiations, Student, and Personnel Matters. Chairman Alexander called for a motion for the purpose of allowing the Board to retire into executive session for negotiations, student, and personnel matters. After a full and complete discussion and upon motion duly made by Trustee House and seconded by Trustee Rodney, the following resolution was presented:

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT SO RESOLVED That the Board of Trustees of School District No. 193 recess from an open meeting into the following executive sessions pursuant to Section 67-2345, Idaho Code, in order to discuss personnel matters regarding pending litigation and matters concerning current staff, student matters regarding a hearing for possible re-admission to MHSD and possible out-of-district enrollment, and negotiations matters regarding the tentative Master Contract language agreement as authorized by Section 67-2345(1)(a)(b)(c), Idaho Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That following the executive session, the Board of Trustees will convene into public session for further business or adjournment of the meeting.

Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be as follows:

NAME OF TRUSTEES

Chairman Alexander Aye
 Trustee House Aye
 Trustee Rodney Aye
 Trustee Reynolds Aye
 Trustee Houston Aye

And no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, the chairman had declared said resolution adopted, and the Board recessed into executive session at 7:52 p.m. Others present: The attending board members, Superintendent McMurtrey, Assistant Superintendent Gilbert, Clerk Whitman, Connie Donahue, and Cliff Ogborn, Mrs. Gayton, Ms. Hernandez and daughter, and (Name on File) (Mrs. Gayton, Ms. Hernandez and daughter, and (Name on File) left at 8:24p.m.).

Following a full and complete discussion of the student re-admittance, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:12 p.m. A motion by Trustee House to re-admit (Name on File) to Mountain Home School District received a second by Trustee Rodney. Motion passed.

A motion by Trustee House to enter back into executive session to discuss an out-of-district open enrollment received a second from Trustee Houston. Motion passed. Board entered into executive session at 8:13 p.m. Following a full and complete discussion of out-of-district open enrollment, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:23 p.m. A motion by Trustee Reynolds to approve the out-of-district open enrollment of (Name on File) received a second from Trustee Rodney. Motion passed. An amendment to the motion was requested by Trustee Rodney to include a behavioral contract. The Board agreed and the amendment was approved.

A motion by Trustee House to enter back into executive session to discuss the master contract language received a second from Trustee Rodney. Motion passed. Board entered into executive session at 8:25 p.m. Following a full and complete discussion of the master contract language, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:33 p.m. No motion needed.

A motion by Trustee House to enter back into executive session to discuss the litigations matter received a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion passed. Board entered into executive session at 8:34 p.m. Following a full and complete discussion of the litigations matter, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:59 p.m. No motion needed. No other issues needed to be discussed.

- XI. **ADJOURNMENT** – All business of the Board having been completed, Chairman Alexander called for a motion to adjourn. A motion from Trustee Rodney to adjourn was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Chairman Alexander

Clerk Whitman