

Mansfield Board of Education Special Meeting
August 12, 2013
Minutes

Attendees: Mark LaPlaca, Chair, Randy Walikonis, Vice Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, Susannah Everett, April Holinko, Sarah Lacombe, Jay Rueckl, Carrie Silver-Bernstein, Superintendent Fred Baruzzi, Board Clerk, Celeste Griffin

Absent: Katherine Paulhus

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mr. LaPlaca

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Personnel Committee: Mr. Walikonis reported the committee has begun negotiations with the MEA and is close to an agreement with UPSEU. Policy Committee: Mr. Rueckl reported the committee will meet in the near future to continue discussion of the religious pluralism policy and review Policy Updates for 2013-2014.

Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education Goals and Objectives 2013-2014: Following discussion and review of proposed goals and objectives, a motion was made by Mrs. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Holinko, to adopt the proposed Mansfield Public Schools Goals and Objectives 2013-2014 as finalized. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

- Technology Investments to Implement Common Core State Standards and Administer Common Core aligned Assessments, Specifically Smarter Balanced Assessments Grant Application: Mr. Baruzzi discussed the competitive grant the district would like to submit which include purchase of technology to support implementation of Common Core State Standards and aligned assessments. Motion by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, seconded by Ms. Everett, to authorize the Superintendent to apply for the Technology Investments to Implement Common Core State Standards and Administer Common Core aligned Assessments, Specifically Smarter Balanced Assessments Grant. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- 2013 School Security Grant Application: Mr. Baruzzi reviewed the competitive grant application which would help fund district costs for updating school security. Motion by Mr. Walikonis, seconded by Mrs. Holinko, to authorize the superintendent to apply for the 2013 School Security Grant and subsequent school security grants. Vote: Unanimous in favor
- Mansfield Public Schools Professional Learning and Evaluation Plan
http://www.mansfieldct.gov/filestorage/1904/5335/2170/20130613_packet_sup1.pdf:
Mr. Baruzzi reviewed a change in the teacher evaluation rubric. Motion by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, to approve the proposed changes to the Mansfield Public Schools Professional Learning and Evaluation Plan. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

MOTION by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Mrs. Holinko, to move into Executive Session for discussion of strategy with respect to collective bargaining at 8:08pm. VOTE: Unanimous in favor

The Superintendent joined the Board in Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at 8:18pm

MOTION by Ms. Everett, seconded by Mrs. Holinko to adjourn at 8:18pm. VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk