

Montabella Community Schools
Minutes of the Regular
Board of Education

A regular meeting of the Montabella Board of Education was called to order by President Jann LaPointe on Monday, May 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Office Complex Board Room.

Members

Present: Jann LaPointe, President
Tim Eldred, Vice President
Emily Longnecker, Secretary
Dennis Stratton, Trustee
Chris Rasmussen, Trustee
Ivan Renne, Trustee

Student Rep: Sarah Fredricks

Members

Absent: Bryan Smith, Trustee

Others

Present: Ron Farrell, Superintendent
Mark Higgins, Business Manage
Shane Riley, JR/SR High Principal
Shelly Mills, Elementary Principal
Jacki Fredricks, Director
M Leak- Rensland, Mary Gaffield, C Gormley, Teachers
C Howard, Josie Durham, M Jensne, Staff
S Farrell, P Frasle, Lumbert Family, Parent & Player, P Balhorn
B Snyder, Liaison Officer

Going into Closed Session to discuss student expulsion, motioned by T Eldred, support by C Rasmussen. Went in to closed session at 7:02 p.m. Came out of closed session at 7:22 p.m.

Reports/Info: Brian Snyder, Police Liaison introduced
P Frasle: Varsity Softball Issues
S Riley: MICAN

Discussion:

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10-078AA Approve Montabella High School Band Trip

Motion by: C Rasmussen Supported by: T Eldred

Motion: to approve the Montabella High School Band trip to Chicago for the 2011/12 school year.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-079AA Approve Foreign Language Graduation Requirements

Motion by: I Renne Supported by: T Eldred

Motion: to require the graduating class of 2016 to have two years of foreign language as a graduation requirement. Per state requirement

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-080AA Approve Personnel Recommendations

Motion by: C Rasmussen Supported by: D Stratton

Motion: to approve the personnel recommendations as presented.

A. Notice of Pending Lay Off – 2011/2012 School Year

Name – Teachers

Jamie Eldred*	Jennifer Huntoon	Deb Schumacher
Travis Viet*	Amy Dowrick	Mitch Heethius

Name – Support Staff

Ronda Ervin*	Beth LaCroix	Julie Davidson*
Tracee LeFever	April Moody	Kim Wilcox*

*Continued Layoff

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

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10-081AA Approve 1st Reading of GASB 54 Fund Balance Policy

Motion by: T Eldred Supported by: I Renne

Motion: to approve the GASB 54 Fund Balance Policy as policy with the first reading.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-082AA Approve Sex Education Curriculum

Motion by: T Eldred Supported by: I Renne

Motion: to approve Puberty – The Wonder Years by Wendy Sellers and published by The Educational Materials Center at Central Michigan University as curriculum for Sex/Reproductive Education.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-083AA Approve Negotiation Consultant

Motion by: D Stratton Supported by: C Rasmussen

Motion: to approve hiring Don Bonato of the Thrun Law Firm as a labor negotiations consultant.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-084AA Adopt MAISD General Fund Budget

Motion by: D Stratton Supported by: T Eldred

Motion: to adopt the resolution in support of the MAISD 2011/2012 General Fund Budget as presented.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

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10-085AA Adopt MAISD Election Resolution

Motion by: C Rasmussen Supported by: D Stratton

Motion: to adopt resolution designating district's MAISD election representative.

Emily Longnecker – Representative Ivan Renne -- Altenate Representative

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-086AA Approve Identify Budget Changes for 2011/12 School Year

Motion by: T Eldred Supported by: C Rasmussen

Motion: to identify and approve Budget Changes for the 2011/12 School Year to include:

- Increase Pay to Participate Fees
- Reduction of Media Aide Hours
- Charging for Parking Spots
- Individual Locker Rent Fee

Remember that as per the May 9, 2011 Special Board Meeting the amount needed to cut from the deficit is \$366,468.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

10-087AA Approve Going into Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations

Motion by: D Stratton Supported by: Emily Longnecker

Motion: to approve going into executive session at 8:46 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations.

Motion carried. Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

Came out of executive session at 9:06 p.m.

Community Input:

P Balhorn: Were layoffs based on seniority? Would the ISD have services for us to use with less social worker/counselor here? Is daycare still being considered? Thank you for bring up C.O. Are we going to list C.O. with a realtor?

Emily Longnecker: Edmore will invest if we hold on until stock market rebounds.

The President adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Emily Longnecker,
Board of Education Secretary