



Mt. Vernon Township High School District #201  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
January 18, 2011 5:30 P.M.

President Goodwine opened the meeting and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members answering roll call were Kim Alvis, Cynthia Davis, Pat Garrett, Jon Hawthorne, Carl Miller, Robert Stewart, and Karen Goodwine. Also present were Superintendent Michael Smith, Principal Ron Daniels, and guests.

**Closed Session Regarding Student Discipline**

Motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Davis to approve moving into executive closed session at 5:31 p.m. in accordance with school board policy 2:220 – E2 item # 9, student disciplinary cases 5ILSC 120/2C (9).

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Stewart, Davis, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

**Open Session**

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Stewart to approve moving out of executive closed session at 7:06 p.m.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Stewart, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Davis that student 011811 had violated school rules by circumstances so related to the school program so as to warrant discipline.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Davis, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine)

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Alvis that student 011811 be expelled for the balance of the 2010-2011 school term, to be held in abeyance pending successful completion of alternative placement and professional counseling program as determined by the administration.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Alvis, Davis, Garrett, Stewart, Goodwine; Abstention: Hawthorne).

Goodwine stated the Board wanted the student to get as many classes as possible and complete the counseling. If this is completed satisfactorily the expulsion would not be on his permanent record and he would be able to attend graduation ceremonies. She reiterated the student is not allowed to attend other school activities during this expulsion period.

## **Reports of Committees**

### **A. Finance Committee**

#### **Financial Reports – Bills and Payroll**

*Bills were reviewed by the finance committee. Bills were in an amount of \$233,309.01. This included P-Card procurements of \$5,704.20 and payroll in an amount of \$665,667.24. This included an amount of \$40,154.97 for compensation above contracted amounts through January 5, 2011 as indicated.*

#### **Treasurer's Report**

*Beginning checking balance of \$3,020,788.66*

*Revenue of \$3,438,706.60*

*Expenditures of \$1,740,996.36*

*Transfers from Savings of \$0*

*PMA Investment Transfer of \$0*

*Ending checking balance December 31, 2010 of \$4,718,498.90*

*Ending savings and investments December 31, 2010 of \$861,087.40*

*Total cash balance December 31, 2010 of \$5,579,586.30*

*Total outstanding liabilities December 31, 2010 of \$416,260.65*

*Total unencumbered fund balance December 31, 2010 of \$5,163,325.65*

#### **Activity Funds**

*Activity fund beginning balance of \$166,296.09*

*Deposits of \$26,274.87*

*Debits of \$25,593.39*

*Ending balance December 31, 2010 of \$162,977.57*

***Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.***

**“Recommendation of the Finance Committee is to approve the Financial Reports, Bills, Payroll, and Treasurer's Report for December 2010 as action items later in the meeting as presented by the administration and reviewed by the Finance Committee.”**

### **B. Building Committee**

*The committee met on January 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss Health and Life Safety Amendments for door replacements and the application for a \$462,000 State Energy Efficiency Grant. Also, a concluding discussion was held in regard to a decision of a facility upgrade option and the steps necessary to finance that option.*

***Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February, 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.***

### **C. Policy Committee**

*The committee met on January 11<sup>th</sup> to review recommended policy revisions from the Illinois Association of School Boards. These are being presented for 1<sup>st</sup> reading later this evening.*

***Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February, 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.***

**PUBLIC INPUT - None Scheduled**

**STAFF INPUT - None Scheduled**

**BOARD INPUT – None Scheduled**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **A. PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

### **B. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

The superintendent gave a brief update and review of each of the following:

#### *Dashboard Report Update*

*School Day Committee Recommendation: The School Day Committee met throughout the first semester. This was done in conjunction with members of the administrative team, guidance office, and members of the staff curriculum committee. The meetings concluded on January 13<sup>th</sup>. The recommended schedule and course offerings are being presented this evening for consideration and action. This is not the final teacher assignment schedule. This will occur after registration. Also, some final course descriptions may need to change or be further developed throughout the second semester,*

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **A. Minutes**

*December 20, 2010 Regular Meeting Open Session*

### **B. Minutes**

*December 20, 2010 Regular Meeting Closed Session*

### **C. Minutes**

*January 11, 2011 Special Meeting Open Session*

### **D. Minutes**

*January 11, 2011 Special Meeting Closed Session*

### **E. Employee Leave Request**

*Action approved the leave request of Mark Leahy for fall of 2011 to finish a Master's Degree.*

### **F. Balfour Contract**

*Action approved the enclosed four year Balfour Contract to supply the items mentioned (Caps, Gowns, Class Rings, Letter Jackets, and Accessories).*

### **G. District 80 Scholarship**

*Action approved a new scholarship provided by the District 80 Foundation in an amount of \$1,500 under the guidelines presented.*

### **H. Financial Reports and Bills December 2010**

*Action on this item approved the financial report, bills, and payroll as reviewed by the finance committee.*

**I. Treasurer's Report December 2010**

*Action on this item approved the December 2010 treasurer's report as reviewed by the finance committee.*

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Davis to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Davis, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine)

**ACTION ITEMS**

**A. First Reading IASB Policy Updates**

*Action approved the First Reading of Policy Updates as recommended by the Illinois Association of School Boards. These have been reviewed by the Policy Committee. After further review and additional comment, these will be presented for Second Reading and adoption next month.*

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Stewart to approve the First Reading of Policy Updates as provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Stewart, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

**B. Review and Release of Closed Session Minutes**

*Executive Session Minutes from July 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 have been reviewed in accordance with the bi-annual requirement. It is recommended that none be released at this time.*

Motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Alvis to not release any of the Closed Session minutes for the time period of July1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Stewart, Alvis, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

**C. Adoption of Draft Schedule and Additional Classes for the 2011-2012 School Year**

Motion was made by Miller and seconded by Davis to approve the 2011-2012 draft schedule and class offerings as presented and discussed.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Miller, Davis, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine)

**D. Employment of Personnel**

**Melinda Reed – Study Hall Supervisor**

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Miller to approve Melinda Reed as Study Hall Supervisor.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Davis, Miller, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine)

**KayCee Hale – Special Education Aide**

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Davis to approve Kaycee Hale as Special Education Aide.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Garrett, Davis, Alvis, Hawthorne, Miller, Stewart, Goodwine)

**Elbert (Butch) Staples – Special Education Teacher**

Motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Alvis to approve Elbert Staples as Special Education Teacher.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Stewart, Alvis, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

**Angela Brentlinger – Finance Director**

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Miller to approve Angela Brentlinger as Finance Director.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Miller, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Stewart, Goodwine)

**Executive Session:**

Motion was made by Alvis and seconded by Stewart to approve moving into executive closed session at 8:54 p.m. in accordance with school board policy 2:220-E2 items # 1, the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee for the District to determine its validity: 5 ILSC 120/2C (1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Alvis, Stewart, Davis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

Motion was made by Davis and seconded by Stewart to approve moving out of executive closed session.

The motion passed by unanimous vote. (Davis, Stewart, Alvis, Garrett, Hawthorne, Miller, Goodwine)

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by Garrett and seconded by Alvis to approve adjourning the meeting.

All members present voted yes.

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Karen Goodwine, Board President

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Shirilyn Holt, Board Secretary

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Date Signed