

MPCG School Board
April 10, 2017

The May-Port CG School Board met in regular session at 7:00am on April 10, 2017 with the following board members present: James Aarsvold, Adam Erickson, Jeff Hovde, Patty Ogburn, Blaine Rekken, Marlana Strand, Renee Torgeson, and David Ust. Board member, Mark Verwest was absent. Also present, Supt. Mike Bradner, Principal Jeff Houdek, Activities Director Eric Nygaard, and Business Manager Deanna Kville. Principal Ulland was absent.

Vice-president, Rekken called the meeting to order.

Board Actions

Motion by Ogburn, second by Torgeson to approve the March minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Torgeson, second by Aarsvold to approve payment of the general fund bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Torgeson, second by Ogburn to approve payment of the prepaid bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Hovde, second by Aarsvold to approve the building fund bills. Motion carried.

Correspondence

The agenda was prioritized. The public in attendance was recognized: Shelia Anderson, John Klocke, Dr. Gary Hagen, and Michelle Murphy.

Angela Tauer submitted her letter of resignation for middle school teacher, effective the end of the school year. Motion by Ogburn, second by Ust to accept Angela Tauer's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Blaine Thompson submitted his letter of resignation for high school math teacher, effective the end of the school year. Motion by Hovde, second by Torgeson to accept Blaine Thompson's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Dr. Gary Hagen (MSU President) and John Kocke (Executive Director, MSU Foundation) were present to give an update on things that are happening at Mayville State. MSU wants to start coming every so often to the school board meetings to help keep communication open between the two schools; with the possibility of finding ways to work together.

Principal Reports

Ulland - absent

Houdek – Early dismissal 4/12 for professional development; no school 4/14 and 4/17. PBJ Spring concert(s) on May 16 (1:30 & 6:30) and May 18 (1:30 & 6:30).

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance – The committee met with the negotiating group 3/22 and reviewed the master contract; the next meeting will be 4/12.

The Internal Controls document was shared and reviewed with the budget and finance committee. Bank statements for the Activity Fund were spot checked for completeness. Blaine Rekken spent time reviewing processes for petty cash, passwords, and security.

Staffing was talked about from a budgetary standpoint.

Extra-Curricular – Mr. Nygaard recommended hiring Blaine Thompson as a part-time, assistant golf coach; there are 14 boys and 4 girls participating in golf. Motion by Ogburn, second by Aarsvold to hire Blaine Thompson as a part-time, assistant golf coach. Motion carried.

Hillsboro-Central Valley will meet this week; their co-op committee is recommending yes on the hockey co-op. If it is approved, the co-op application will be sent into the High School Activities Association.

Curriculum and Technology – The committee is not ready to provide a recommendation on increasing math requirements from 3 to 3.5; there will be no changes for the 2017-2018 school year.

Curriculum and Technology – Motion by Aarsvold, second by Torgeson: to purchase 45 chromebooks for the upcoming freshman class at a cost of \$8,910. Motion carried.

Old Business

Advanced Ed School Improvement – recommendations on how to move forward with the team recommendations will come later.

The school's website is close to being compliant; a policy will be coming out later.

Patriot Air provided a bid to contract services for the rooftop units (PBJ \$1,565 bi-annually / HS \$1,800 bi-annually). Motion by Ogburn, second by Torgeson: to go into a service contract with Patriot Air for the rooftop units. Motion carried.

New Business

Kindergarten assessments will be done differently for the upcoming Kindergarten class. The children will be assessed the first two days of school, and then assigned to a classroom. Parents were notified of the new process during Kindergarten registration.

Staffing for 2017-2018 is being monitored closely. With the middle school resignation and the change to teacher licensing (changing to 2 licensures K-8 and 5-12), a RIF can be avoided and current staff can be utilized to fill the needs at PBJ and the middle school. Still looking at keeping the current Grade 4 class (moving to grade 5) in 3 sections for Math and Language Arts. Details are being worked out.

Motion by Aarsvold, second by Ust: to support the FBLA students qualifying for Nationals at \$300/per student. Motion carried.

Motion by Hovde, second by Ogburn: to support 2 FBLA advisors for the cost of their travel. Motion carried.

The High School Math opening is being advertised.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05a.m.

Deanna Kville, Business Manager

Mark Verwest, President