

**Mannheim School District 83
Board of Education
February 7, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Mannheim School District 83 Board of Education, Cook County, was held on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at the Administrative Center. President Grochowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Richard Grochowski, President
Tim Mallek, Vice President
Marianne Anderson, Secretary
Deb Ahrens, Member
Francine Patti, Member
Mary Lou Stefanski, Member
Nancy Tobin, Member

Absent: None

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPRESSION OF PUBLIC CONCERN

- Illinois State Board of Education letter-Scott School Academic Improvement Award.
- Thank you letters from Tara Kjome, Deb Ahrens, and Cynthia George.
- Letter from Bryan Miller/Leyden High School.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Lane announced the items listed on the Consent Agenda which included the following:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- January 10, 2008 Special Meeting
- January 10, 2008 Special Meeting Closed Session
- January 10, 2008 Regular Meeting

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Brooke Mosley, LASEC
- Marcia Boynton, Mannheim Middle School

RESIGNATION

- Dolores Meza, bilingual leap tutor at Roy School, effective February 5, 2008.

APPOINTMENTS

- Mathew Agrall, instructional aide at Westdale School, effective January 22, 2008.
- Sonia Falco, instructional aide at Mannheim Middle School, effective January 25, 2007.
- Roberta Jeske, bus driver, effective January 7, 2008.

2nd READING OF BOARD POLICIES

- Board Policy 2:260 - Uniform Grievance Procedure
- Board Policy 4:10 - Fiscal and Business Management
- Board Policy 4:60 - Purchases and Contracts
- Board Policy 4:110 -Transportation

- Board Policy 5:10 - Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
- Board Policy 5:100 - Staff Development Program
- Board Policy 5:250 - Leaves of Absence
- Board Policy 5:290 - Employment Termination and Suspensions
- Board Policy 5:330 - Sick days, Vacation days, Holidays and Leaves
- Board Policy 6:60 - Curriculum Content
- Board Policy 7:20 - Harassment of Students Prohibited
- Board Policy 7:180 - Preventing Bullying, Intimidation and Harassment
- Board Policy 7:220 - Bus Conduct
- Board Policy 8:20 - Community Use of School Facilities

Dr. Lane informed the Board about the Title I District Plan and said that we are in compliance with it. The Board reviewed the December 2007 list of bills that totaled \$713,409.05. The Board reviewed the February 2008 list of bills that totaled \$1,573,888.28. It was moved by Ms. Patti and seconded by Mrs. Stefanski to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Patti, Stefanski, Anderson, Ahrens, Grochowski, Mallek, Tobin
 Nays: None
 Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Lindsay presented a technology project from Deb Vana's second grade class.
- Dr. Lane asked that his evaluation be turned into Mr. Grochowski by the end February.
- Dr. Lane asked the Board for approval to have Summer School again this year, which will be held at Westdale School. It was moved by Mrs. Tobin and seconded by Ms. Patti to have summer school this year.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Tobin, Patti, Ahrens, Anderson, Grochowski, Mallek, Stefanski
 Nays: None
 Motion Carried

- Dr. Lane recommended that registration fees for the 2008 – 2009 school year remain the same as currently assessed. He also recommended that the late fees remain the same. It was moved by Ms. Patti and seconded by Mr. Mallek to approve this action.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Patti, Mallek, Ahrens, Anderson, Grochowski, Stefanski, Tobin
 Nays: None
 Motion Carried

- Dr. Lane reported that parents who have not yet paid registration fees will be receiving a letter from the district attorney.
- Dr. Lane reminded the Board that the Rally for Public Education Conference will be held on February 27, 2008.
- Dr. Lane informed the Board about a Freedom of Information Act request letting the Board know that we did comply with it.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- The district monthly financials were presented to the Board.
- Architect Guenther Schmidt updated the Board on the renovation plans for summer 2008.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Mr. Mallek asked Guenther Schmidt about generators in the schools.

- Mr. Grochowski informed the Board that Mrs. Tobin and Ms. Patti have been working on a possible revision mission statement for the district. It will be on the agenda for next month.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dr. Lane gave the Board preliminary information regarding the states visit to the district; he will share the report from the state once it he receives it.
- Dr. Lane asked to set a date for a disciplinary hearing and decided on Wednesday, February 20th at 7:00 a.m.
- Mr. Lindsay explained that an English textbook representative will be coming to the district next week to present to the grade 1-5 staff.

There being no further information to come before the Board, it was moved by Ms. Patti and seconded by Mrs. Ahrens to adjourn the meeting to closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of employees.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Patti, Ahrens, Anderson, Grochowski, Mallek, Stefanski, Tobin

Nays: None

Motion Carried

There being no further information to come before the Board it was moved by Mrs. Stefanski and seconded by Ms. Patti to adjourn from closed session at 8:20 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Stefanski, Patti, Ahrens, Anderson, Grochowski, Mallek, Tobin

Nays: None

Motion Carried

President Grochowski adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Thursday March 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Scott School.

Marianne Anderson, Secretary
Board of Education Mannheim District 83

Richard E. Grochowski Jr., President
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