

**Mannheim School District 83  
Board of Education  
March 13, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Mannheim School District 83 Board of Education, Cook County, was held on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at Scott School. President Grochowski called the meeting to order at 7:05 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**

- Thank you letter from Cherie Layer.
- Letter from Secretary of State Jessie White.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- February 7, 2008 Regular Meeting
- February 7, 2008 Regular Meeting Closed Session
- February 20, 2008 Special Meeting
- February 20, 2008 Special Meeting Closed Session

**RESIGNATION**

- Nadeen Friend, teacher at Westdale School, effective immediately.
- Sophia Verros, teacher at Westdale School, effective immediately.

**APPOINTMENTS**

- Karen Eichenlaub, Interim Assistant Principal at Mannheim Middle School, effective August 11, 2008.
- Araceli Rivera, Kindergarten instructional aide at Westdale School, effective February 25, 2008.

Dr. Lane asked the Board to approve the LASEC budget amendment.

Dr. Lane asked the Board to approve the repayment of the working cash loan from the bond and interest fund. The Board reviewed the February 2008 list of bills that totaled \$739,117.70. The Board reviewed the March 2008 list of bills that totaled \$464,108.26. It was moved by Mrs. Tobin and seconded by Mrs. Stefanski to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Dr. Lane asked the Board to adopt the Language Arts materials for the 2008-2009 school year as recommended by the district curriculum committee.
- Dr. Lane updated the Board on the drug surveys and recommended not doing it next year since the results have not changed much over the last few years, and we are no longer receiving grant money.
- The Board discussed the preliminary staffing report for the 2008-2009 school year.
- Mr. Mallek updated the Board on the District Mission Statement. Mr. Grochowski would like to hold a separate meeting to work on it at a further date.
- Dr. Lane discussed keeping the dress code exactly the same for next year since it was successful this year.
- Dr. Lane reminded the Board of the IASB Spring Dinner Meeting that will be April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Dr. Lane recommended that the Board adopt the reauthorization of the NCLB resolution. It was moved by Mrs. Tobin and seconded by Ms. Patti to adopt the reauthorization of the NCLB resolution.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

- Dr. Lane informed the Board that he received a Freedom of Information Act Request and that we did comply with it.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- The district monthly financials were presented to the Board.
- Dr. Lane updated the Board on the renovation plans for summer 2008.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Mr. Grochowski informed the Board that they will discuss the Superintendents evaluation at the April Board meeting.

There being no further information to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Mallek and seconded by Ms. Patti to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

President Grochowski adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Thursday April 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Center.

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Marianne Anderson, Secretary  
Board of Education Mannheim District 83

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Richard E. Grochowski Jr., President  
Board of Education Mannheim District 83