

Mansfield Board of Education Meeting
October 11, 2012
Minutes

Attendees: Mark LaPlaca, Chair, , Martha Kelly, Secretary, April Holinko, Holly Matthews, Jay Rueckl , Randy Walikonis, Superintendent Fred Baruzzi, Board Clerk, Celeste Griffin
Absent: Shamim Patwa, Katherine Paulhus, Carrie Silver-Bernstein

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm by Mr. LaPlaca.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: Fran Raiola, Acting Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal, reported on the upcoming success of the Fire Prevention Week Program at each school, as well as school inspections, bus evacuations, and school crisis response drills.

Carrie-Sliver Bernstein arrived at 7:37pm

COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel Committee: Mr. LaPlaca reported that there will be no Executive Session following the meeting.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

- Education Cost Sharing (ECS): Cherie Trahan, Director of Finance, discussed Education Cost Sharing and potential implications with funding from the State.
- 2013-2014 Budget Calendar: Mrs. Trahan and Mr. Baruzzi reviewed the calendar for presenting the proposed 2013-2014 Mansfield Board of Education budget.
- Education Foundations: Mrs. Trahan discussed some issues related to starting and maintaining an Educational Foundation.
- Library Media Services and Connections to Common Core State Standards (CCSS): Linda Robinson, Ph.D., Coordinator Library/Media Services, discussed ways the school libraries will support teachers in the transition to CCSS.
- Common Core State Standards (CCSS) September Staff Training: Mr. Baruzzi shared presentations at September staff meetings.
- Food Services Grant: Mr. Baruzzi reviewed a grant application for the School Nutrition Rating System Pilot Program. MOTION by Ms. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Kelly to approve the Food Services Grant application. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- Draft 2013 Board of Education Meetings: The Board received a draft of proposed 2013 meeting dates for adoption at the October 25, 2012 meeting.
- 2011-2012 Group Testing Report: Mr. Baruzzi reviewed the 2012 Connecticut Mastery Results and district plans to help children attain the confidence needed to reach mastery.
- Board Goals and Objectives: Sample Strategies and Sample Evidence: Mr. Baruzzi shared the Administrators' report on strategies and evidence to be used to support the Board Goals and Objectives.
- Professional Improvement: MOTION by Mrs. Holinko, seconded by Mr. Rueckl to approve the increase in salary, retroactive to the start of the school year as outlined in the current contract between the Mansfield Board of Education and the Mansfield Education Association for Megan Baker, Martha Davis, Kimberly Gilmore, Adam Ramsdell, Linda Robinson, Beth Schwartz, and Sara Sroka. Vote: Unanimous in Favor.
- Enhancing Student Achievement: Five new projects were reviewed and will be implemented at the schools in support of this activity.
- Class Size/Enrollment: The principals reported no significant change in enrollment.

NEW BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION by Mrs. Kelly, seconded Ms. Silver-Bernstein, that the following items for the Board of Education meeting of October 11, 2012 be approved or received for the record: VOTE: Unanimous in favor. That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education approves the minutes of the September 13, 2012 Board meeting.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA: None

MOTION by Mr. Walikonis, seconded by Mr. Rueckl to adjourn at 9:40pm. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk