

Mansfield Board of Education
February 6, 2014
Minutes

Attendees: Mark LaPlaca, Chair, Randy Walikonis, Vice-Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, John Fratiello, Sarah Lacombe, Katherine Paulhus, Jay Rueckl

Excused: Susannah Everett, Carrie Silver-Bernstein

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mr. LaPlaca.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Doug and Annie Perkins, teachers at Mansfield Middle School, and MMS Green Energy Robotics Team 902A demonstrated their robot and discussed the robotics club.

Ms. Silver-Bernstein arrived at 7:44pm.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: Eric Hanka and Adam Ramsdell spoke regarding the .5 Physical Education position in the proposed 2014-2015 budget.

COMMUNICATIONS: Email communication regarding proposed .5 Physical Education position by Kristin Gildersleeve, Kathy Ward, and Kathleen & John Knecht. Letter received regarding same from Marilyn Williams.

ADDITIONS TO THE PRESENT AGENDA: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

- MMS Field Trip: Thanh Nguyen, Principal Mansfield Middle School, reviewed the trip to the Vex World Championships in Anaheim, CA. Motion by Mr. Walikonis, seconded by Ms. Silver-Bernstein to approve the Enrichment Field Trip Request. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- Mansfield Professional Development and Evaluation Plan Update: Mr. Baruzzi reviewed the Connecticut State Board of Education adoption of "Proposed Flexibilities: Guidelines for Educator Evaluation."
- Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC): Mr. Baruzzi reported a letter will be sent to all parents regarding the Smarter Balanced Assessment.
- Class Size/Enrollment: The administrators reported no significant change in class size or enrollment.
- 2014-2015 Proposed Budget – District Management, Support Services, Special Education, Other: Mr. Baruzzi, Mrs. Robinson, Library/Media Consultant, Mr. Russell, Director of Information Technology, Mrs. Trahan, Director of Finance, and Dr. Leclerc, Director of Special Education and Student Support Services reviewed the remaining sections of the proposed budget and answered Board Member Questions. All Board members were provided answers to questions submitted by individual Board members between meetings.

Mrs. Paulhus left at 10:09pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2014 Meeting. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

NEW BUSINESS: None

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA: None

Motion by Mr. Fratiello, seconded by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, to adjourn at 10:24pm. Vote Unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk