

MANTENO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Tuesday, October 28, 2008
High School Library

- Open Meeting The meeting was held in the library of the Manteno High School Library, and was called to order by President Stauffenberg at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call The following members answered to roll call:
G. Dodge, P. Mallaney, S. Martin, M. Nelson, G. Preston, and M. Stauffenberg – six (6). Absent: J. Toepper – one (1).
- Also present: Supt. Russert, K. Meyer, P. Russert, D. Conrad, R. Schnitzler, J. Palicki, A. Furbee, J. Ruland, T. Steele, D. Christ, C. Allers, J. DePoister and Clerk Fortin – thirteen (13).
- Visitors: Approximately 100 people (for recognition of the highest performing students on ISAT and PSAE).
- Pledge of Allegiance President Stauffenberg led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Additional Items Moved by Preston, seconded by Dodge to remove Item G (Jason Adam’s resignation) from the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Preston, Dodge, Mallaney, Martin, Nelson and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.
- Public Hearings/
Petitions/
Public Josh Ruland, Director of Curriculum and Assessment, recognized the highest performing students in the District on the ISAT and PSAE by introducing the students, presented certificates and handshakes, along with Board President Mark Stauffenberg and Supt. Russert.
- Dawn Conway, PTO President reported a meeting was not held this month. Pick ups for the PTO fundraiser will be on the 13th and 14th of November at 7:00 p.m.
- Tracy Campe and Jim Worby, newly elected officers of the Manteno Youth Baseball and Softball League, introduced themselves and thanked the District for the use of the facilities and will continue working with Mr. Kemp for field scheduling for the 2009 season. Over 700 children from Manteno participate in the program.
- Marsha Meegan spoke to the Board regarding concerning a staff member.
- Report of Committees **Building Committee** – Member Martin reported that they are wrapping up odds and ends prior to winter. Snow removal and salting application bids will be approved later in the meeting. The parking lots, timers, exterior of buildings and heaters are being readied for the cold weather. Approximately three acres of green space between the Middle School and Primary School have been restored and may be functional next fall. It has been graded and reseeded this fall.

Finance Committee – Member Martin reported the committee met today at 5:00 p.m. Board policy was reviewed, as well as the security of PMA investments, the finance packet, and snow removal and salt application bids.

Curriculum and Technology Committee – Member Dodge reported the committee discussed the staff buy program. In the past the program was extended to the non certified staff as well as the certified staff. Board policy was also reviewed and recommendations made.

Consent
Agenda Moved by Nelson, seconded by Martin to approve the following consent agenda items:

A. Minutes

- Regular Board meeting of September 30, 2008
- Executive Session meeting of September 30, 2008

B. Financial Reports

- Summary of Cash/Investment/Fund Balances
- M-T-D/Y-T-D Revenue/Expenditure Reports
- Revenue and Expenditure Reports
- Food Service Report
- Payroll Extras and Imprest Fund Reports
- Payroll and Accounts Payable Reports
- Investment Activity Reports
- Activity Reports
- Additional Accounts Payable

C. Board Policy Section 6 First Reading

D. Door to Door Fundraising Requests

- High School Magic Show Choir Tag Day – November 15th
- High School Magic Show Choir Holiday Caroling – December 14th
- High School Robotics Team selling Bakers Square Pies October 21st – December 13th

E. Approve request for Magic Show Choir Overnight Trip (3/7/09)

F. FMLA Requests

- Mary Gibson – October 27 – 31, 2008
- Rachel Jeisy – Approx. February 9 – March 23, 2009 (6 weeks)
- Colleen Romeli – Approx. April 5th – end of 2009 school year (8 weeks)

G. Resignations

- Cindy Quigley – MS Athletic Director effective 10/17/08

H. Retirements

- Alfred J. Lilienthal – Middle School Language Arts Teacher effective 11/6/08

I. Employments

- Christine Moran – 6th Grade Language Arts Teacher effective 10/29/08
- Timothy VanSwol – Middle School Athletic Director effective 10/29/08
- Debbie Leeson – Status change from part time to full time effective 9/15/08
- John Rosiek – Sub custodian effective 10/17/08

J. Approve Employee Purchase Plan

K. School Improvement Plans

Ayes: Nelson, Martin, Dodge, Mallaney, Preston and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Unit Office Report Supt. Russert reported on the following items:

- Recognition of the highest performing students on ISAT and PSAE
- Recognition of fall activities
 - MS softball and baseball
 - HS softball, baseball, soccer, football, cheer, pep band
 - Athletic boosters concession stand raising over \$4,000 on concessions
- Education Foundation fall mini grant applications have been given to teachers and are due back in November.
- School Report Card Data –Josh Ruland, Director of Curriculum, reported that Reading made AYP in all areas. Various comparison data was presented to the Board from the last few years showing our District’s progress and areas that are still of concern.
- President Stauffenberg read a proclamation announcing American Education Week – November 16 – 22nd.
- School Improvement Plans – Each building administrator presented a brief summary of their building’s goals which included the following:
 - Primary School – Identification of low readers, piloting a new math intervention, and PBIS.
 - Elementary School – Improvements in RTI/reading/math, ISAT in-service training, PAWS and HUGS.
 - Middle School – Implementing comprehensive behavior management plan. Implementing guidance curriculum. Implementing “Catch-up Café” – reward to work on homework/tutoring.
 - High School – Working on RTI, early interventions in Math and Reading. Guidance dept. more involved in School Improvement Plans, analyze PLAN test results. Mock ACT tests given to juniors.

Old Business

Approve Board Policy Section 5 Moved by Nelson, seconded by Martin to approve the Board Policy Section 5 as presented. Ayes: Nelson, Martin, Dodge, Mallaney, Preston and Stauffenberg - six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

New Business

Award Snow Plowing & Salt Contracts Moved by Mallaney, seconded by Martin to award the snow plowing and salt contracts to the lowest bidder – Desiderio Landscaping of Grant Park at \$65 for truck and driver per hour for snow plowing and \$128 per ton for salt. Ayes: Mallaney, Martin, Dodge, Nelson, Preston, and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Approve Renewal Of NIIPC Moved by Mallaney, seconded by Nelson that the annual renewal with the Northern Illinois Independent Purchasing Cooperative be approved. Ayes: Mallaney, Nelson, Dodge, Martin, Preston and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

- Future Anticipated future action items include:
Anticipated Tentative levy
Items First discussion of January retreat items
- Executive Session Moved by Martin, seconded by Dodge to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel; collective negotiating matters; presentation of evidence or testimony as authorized by law; security procedures which may include personnel; student disciplinary cases; litigation; issues under the Tort Immunity Act; professional ethics or performance; board self evaluation; selection to fill a public office; and/or the discussion of previously closed minutes. Ayes: Martin, Dodge, Mallaney, Nelson, Preston and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried. Open session ended at 7:37 p.m.
- Return to Open Session Moved by Dodge, seconded by Nelson to return to open session at 8:38 p.m.
Roll Call: Dodge, Nelson, Mallaney, Martin, Preston, and Stauffenberg – six (6).
Absent: Toepper – one (1). Motion carried.
- Approve Resignations From Consent Agenda Moved by Nelson, seconded by Dodge to approve the items removed from the Consent Agenda (Jason Adams – 8th grade basketball coach for 08-09 school year, High School Varsity Baseball coach for the 08-09 school year, and Middle School baseball coach effective at the end of the 08-09 school year). Ayes: Nelson, Dodge, Mallaney, Martin, Preston, and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.
- Approve Resolution Authorizing Notice to Remedy Moved by Martin, seconded by Nelson to approve the resolution authorizing the Notice to Remedy. Ayes: Martin, Nelson, Dodge, Mallaney, Preston and Stauffenberg – six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.
- Adjournment Moved by Martin, seconded by Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.
Voice vote: All ayes - six (6). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Board President, Mark Stauffenberg Board Secretary, Patrick Mallaney

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