

Manteno Community Unit School District No. 5
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Tuesday, December 15, 2015
High School Library

Open Session The meeting was held in the library of the Manteno High School and was called to order by President Stauffenberg at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call The following members answered to roll call: E. Hofmeister, M. Jackson, P. Mallaney, M. Schubert and M. Stauffenberg – Five (5). Absent – G. Dodge, L. Murray - Two - (2).

Also present: Supt. Harrod, P. Conboy, R. Haines, D. Conrad, N. Short, M. Glenn, J. Emerson, C. Majerski, E. Ruff, T. Steele, C. Creek, J. Finkelstein, T. Weber, J. DePoister, D. Fortin and Recording Clerk Kaufman – Sixteen - (16).

Visitors: Janice Steele

Pledge of Allegiance President Stauffenberg led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additional Agenda Items – None

Public Hearings/Petitions/Comments None

Reports of Committees **Building Committee** – Chairman Hofmeister reported that the Building Committee did not meet in December. The next meeting will be January 19, 2016.

Finance Committee – Chairman Mallaney reported that the Finance Committee met on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 and discussed the following:

- I. Old Business
 - A. State Revenue Update - FRIS
 - B. Bond Refinance
 - C. QSCB Application
 - D. Press Box
 - E. Fire & Lightning Strike Update
 - F. B&G Vehicles
 - G. Intercom Project
- II. New Business
 - A. Constellation - IEC Natural Gas Supplier
 - B. Revised AFR
- III. Review Finance Packet
 - Summary of Cash/Investment/Fund Balances Report
 - Revenue/Expenditure Summary Report
 - Cost Analysis – Education; Cost Analysis – O&M
 - Revenue Report
 - Expenditure Report
 - Food Service Report
 - O&M Gas & Electric Expenditure Report

- Payroll Extras Report
- Impress Check Report
- Accounts Payable Report
- ISDLAF Report
- Activity Account Reports
- IV. Additional Items
- V. Future Items

Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Committee – Curriculum Director, Cathy Creek, reported that the PARCC scores were sent home on December 15, 2015. The District received the scores later than expected and are currently working on analyzing all the data that was received. The Curriculum team will work with the staff in understanding the scores and preparing for the next test window. The State has approved the District to test the High School students in English 9 and also Algebra 1 in Spring, 2016. Ms. Creek also reported that the Teacher Institute Day on January 4, 2016 was very successful. The staff spent half of their day preparing for the new semester and the other half of the day working on professional development, specifically Atlas Maps.

Technology Committee – Technology Director, Tom Steele reported that the Tech Department did not meet in December. The next meeting will be on January 6, 2016.

Consent Agenda Moved by Hofmeister, seconded by Schubert to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

A. Minutes

- Regular Board Meeting – November 17, 2015
- Executive Session Meeting – November 17, 2015
- Special Board Meeting – December 9, 2015
- Executive Session Meeting – December 9, 2015

B. Financial Reports

- Summary of Cash/Investment/Fund Balances
- M-T-D/Y-T-D Revenue/Expenditure Reports
- Cost Analysis – Education, Cost Analysis – O&M
- Revenue Report
- Expenditure Report
- O&M Gas & Electric Expenditure Report
- Food Service Report
- Payroll Extras Report
- Impress Check Report
- Accounts Payable Report
- ISDLAF Report
- Activity Accounts Reports
- Additional Accounts Payable

C. Donation Acceptance

D. Resignations

Diane Rewerts, High School Sophomore Volleyball Coach – effective immediately

Diane Tibbie, Three-hour Food Service Employee (would like to remain on the food service sublist)

E. FMLA

Donna Simmonds, Middle School Administrative Assistant – beginning December 11, 2015 for four to six weeks

Kim Kane, Middle School 5th Grade Teacher – from December 14, 2015 through January 8, 2016

Sean Hoffman, Director of Choral Activities – starting approximately December 15, 2015 through January 15, 2016

Cheri Adams, Transportation Assistant – beginning December 10, 2015 for an immediate family member (possibly intermittent)

F. Employments for the 2015-2016 School Year

Amy Siefker, Middle School Paraprofessional – effective December 1, 2015

Melissa Kapidis, Elementary School Special Education/Student Support Team Leader

Lauren Balducci, High School Track Assistant Co-Coach (1/2 stipend)

Kevin Crosby, High School Track Assistant Co-Coach (1/2 stipend)

Ryan Pinto, High School Baseball Assistant Co-Coach (1/2 stipend)

Maureen Boyd, Substitute Administrative Assistant for Middle School Administrative Assistant FMLA leave - from December 14, 2015 for up to six weeks

Lindsay Johnson, Middle School Head Track Coach

Ayes: Hofmeister, Schubert, Jackson, Mallaney, Stauffenberg –Five (5). Nays – None (0). Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

A. Good News

1. Freaky Friday, a fun Friday event, at the Elementary School on Friday, November 13, 2015 was a huge hit. The students loved it. The whole day was spent with different themes, costumes, music, and a change up in a normal routine for the kids. It was a great way to let the students learn in a relaxed way.
2. Congratulations to Colin Smith on placing 2nd at last night's FFA Meat Judging Contest in Watseka out of 42 individuals. This helped in elevating the team to 3rd place out of 8 teams at the contest. Students at the meat competition must rank, cured hams, along with beef and pork carcasses. They must identify 25 retail cuts and identify the type of animal it came from and the primal cut out of over 200 different cuts.
3. The cheer team took 1st place (out of four teams) on Sunday, November 22nd in their first competition at Wilmington. At the Reed Custer competition on Sunday, December 6th, they took 2nd in the medium division competition which was better than their 5th place last year. Overall, they placed 3rd in conference. Ashley Benevice and Amber Wood were selected as I-8 All Conference Cheerleaders at this competition.
4. Sean Schmidt was selected to the All-State Football team and was honored at Northern Illinois during the 4A State football game on Saturday, November 28th.
5. 19 Illinois State Scholars will be recognized at the February, 2016 meeting. They are: CJ Boudreau, Sam Brown, Alexa Grant, Jaimie Gregory, Ryan Hacek, Kassidy Jungles, Kara Keene, Jezel Mallaney, Reise Malone, Kyle Mansfield, Charles Massie, Steve McShane, Lisa Palicki, Rachel Sample, Will Smith, Stephanie Sotiropoulos, Noah Spangler, Ellyse Walker, Karrigan Wulff

6. Congratulations to Alyssa Jacobucci for being selected as an Illinois Music Educator Association All-State Musician. From a pool of over 10,000 students, Alyssa is selected to be one of 400 musicians to perform at the Music Educator Conference in Peoria, Illinois in late January. In this honor, Alyssa is considered to be one of the top 12 oboists in the state.
7. Thank you to Mindy Farmer and her Caring for Kids at Christmas team who helped raise over \$2,700 from the community to purchase gifts for families in need. Mindy has been doing this for over 20 years.
8. R.J. Haines – third year in a row to be named the Interstate 8 Coach of the Year
9. All State Nominees - Boys Soccer – Christian Davis and Football – Sean Schmidt
10. Congratulations to Nicole Neiner, Allannah Anker, Emily Gain, and Colin Smith who placed 14th at the State FFA Meats Contest! All placed within the top 50% of individuals competing!
11. Congrats to the Manteno Wrestling Team on taking first place at the Seneca wrestling tournament in a field of 16 teams. First place finishes were: Jimmy Silva, Trevor Watkins and Anthony Talamonti.
12. Congrats to Debbie Leeson who was selected to be one of the volunteers to help decorate the White House.
13. Thank you to everyone that participated in the annual Interact Club Food Drive for the Manteno Food Pantry. It was a very successful year with a grand total of 1,310 non-perishable items donated.
14. Thanks to all students and staff who came out to the Jingle Bell Run on Sunday, December 13th. We raised almost \$1,500 for the Arthritis Foundation and brought the most participants (108) for a high school – keeping the MHS Team Panther Pride tradition alive! The \$300 prize will be donated for Caring for Kids at Christmas. Thank you to Lori Weedon who has been organizing the Run for 13 years.

Old Business

New Business

Approve Chromebook Agreement With Manteno Public Library

Moved by Jackson, seconded by Schubert to approve the Chromebook Agreement with the Manteno Public Library as presented. Ayes: Jackson, Schubert, Hofmeister, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Approve Resolution Authorizing The District's Qualified School Construction Bond Application

Moved by Schubert, seconded by Hofmeister to approve the Resolution Authorizing the District's Qualified School Construction Bond Application as presented. Ayes: Schubert, Hofmeister, Jackson, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

- Anticipated Future Action Items
1. Set High School Graduation Date and Middle School Promotion Date
- Executive Session
- Moved by Schubert, seconded by Jackson to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of the 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; purchase, lease, or sale of real or publicly owned property; investment contracts; 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: Schubert, Jackson, Hofmeister, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried. Open Session ended at 6:45PM.
- Return to Open Session
- Moved by Hofmeister, seconded by Schubert to close Executive Session and return to Open Session. Ayes: Hofmeister, Schubert, Jackson, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried. Executive Session ended at 7:22PM.
- Expulsion Of Student “J”
- Moved by Schubert, seconded by Jackson to determine student “J” as eligible for expulsion and subject to expulsion, and to place student “J” at RAAC for the remainder of this school year (2015-2016) and for the first semester of the 2016-2017 school year, in lieu of expulsion. In addition a Social Probation piece will be enforced for the duration of the expulsion/alternative placement. The student will not be allowed on school property at any time unless approved by building administration through the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year. This will include but not limited to extra-curricular participation and attendance at school sponsored activities. Ayes: Schubert, Jackson, Hofmeister, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.
- Approval For Student “E” to return To Manteno High School And to End The Social Probation Piece
- Motion by Hofmeister, seconded by Schubert for student “E” to return to Manteno High School from alternative placement (RAAC) and to end the social probation piece. Ayes: Hofmeister, Schubert, Jackson, Mallaney, Stauffenberg – Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

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Adjourn Meeting Moved by Hofmeister, seconded by Schubert to adjourn the meeting at 7:25PM. Voice Vote: All Ayes: Five (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

**Mark Stauffenberg*

**Patrick Mallaney*

Mark Stauffenberg
Board President

Patrick Mallaney
Board Secretary

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*Original signatures are on file at the District Office.