

MANTENO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Tuesday, February 23, 2010 – 6:30 p.m.
High School Library

- Open Meeting 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: G. Dodge, P. Mallaney, S. Martin, M. Nelson, & M. Stauffenberg – five (5) Absent: G. Preston and J. Toepper – two (2).

Also present: Supt. Russert, K. Meyer, P. Russert, D. Conrad, R. Schnitzler, J. Palicki, J. Ruland, T. Steele, D. Christ, J. DePoister and Clerk Fortin – eleven (11).

Visitors: B. Barnes, L. Dill, Z. Polega, Mrs. Polega, B. Zhorne & others – approx. eight (8)
- Pledge of Allegiance President Stauffenberg led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Public Hearings & Petitions Mike Casagrande, PTO president, was unavailable for a Board report.
Principal Paul Russert, introduced Manteno High School Senior, Zach Polega, who had recently been accepted into West Point Academy, a distinguished honor and a first for Manteno students.
- Report of Committees **Building Committee** – Member Martin reported potholes and parking lots are not “repairing themselves” and will be a costly repair for the District this spring. There were no further questions.

Finance Committee – Member Mallaney reported the following items were discussed:
1. Bus lease for 2010-2011 – Recommend Board approval.
2. Fees for 2010-2011 – Recommend Board approval.
3. Finance Retreat recap
4. Reviewed the finance packet for this evening’s meeting.
5. The Board Policies were not reviewed.
6. State Revenue update

Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Committee – Josh Ruland reported discussion occurred regarding the review of the Title I policy. Title 1 information could be added to the District website. Title 1 eligibility was also reviewed. Textbook selection presentation for Reading K-5 – Pearson will be proposed to the School Board. Handwriting curriculum was discussed and the lack of consistent handwriting curriculum in the primary and elementary grades. The committee will evaluate various handwriting curriculums and work to create a consistent handwriting curriculum for the primary and elementary grades. Jamie Lockwood from the Manteno Public Library stated there are “Picturing America” packets available for staff members.

Technology Committee – Tom Steele updated the Board regarding the Video Surveillance grant status – the installation portion of the grant was awarded to BMW, Inc. Work will begin as soon as cameras arrive. All of the E-rate application forms have been submitted. Skyward security status – work is progressing, but no completion time estimated yet. Still waiting for Promethean and SMART board deliveries. There is a

sudden rash of Epson 83c projectors failing. The bulbs are exploding leaving small shards of glass. Epson engineers are working on the solution and have replaced all projectors under warranty. There are approximately 490 computers to replace. Will need to write a new Technology Plan next fall. The plan must be complete and approved before we can file E-rate applications.

KARVES – Dawn Russert gave an update on their recent meeting. Preliminary enrollment totals for various curriculum areas were distributed. A two-day event was held for 8th grade career awareness. State payments were discussed and initial budget assumptions. A buildings and grounds committee is being created.

Consent
Agenda

Moved by Martin, seconded by Dodge to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Minutes
 1. Regular Board meeting of January 26, 2010
 2. Executive Session of January 26, 2010
 3. Board Retreat of February 6, 2010
 4. Executive Session of Board Retreat of February 6, 2010
- B. Financial Reports
 1. Summary of Cash/Investment/Fund balances
 2. M-T-D/Y-T-D Revenue/Expenditure reports
 3. Food Service Report
 4. Payroll Extras and Imprest Fund
 5. Payroll and Accounts Payable
 6. Investment Account Reports
 7. Activity reports
 8. Additional Accounts Payable (as a handout) - none
- C. Resignations
 - a) Nicole Whitten – 8th grade girls' basketball coach – end of school year
 - b) Kristen Shreffler – 7th grade girls' basketball and softball "B" team coach – end of school year.
 - c) Jason McKee – High School custodian effective 2/5/10
 - d) Gary Wolfe – Substitute bus driver effective 2/19/10
- D. FMLA Requests
 - a) Jamie Mularski (EL) – Extend leave by one week.
 - b) Kelly Nesler (PS) – Extend leave through 4/30/10
 - c) Tara Popovich (EL) – Amend start state from 3/25/10 to 3/22/10
- E. Employments
 - a) Steven Hicks – Substitute paraprofessional and substitute food service
 - b) Brian LeVaggi – Substitute custodian
- F. Door to door fundraiser – MHS football, discount cards August 11th – 20th, 2010
- G. Overnight stay – MMS wrestling team, overnight stay March 6th in Normal, IL

Ayes: Martin, Dodge, Mallaney, Nelson and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0).
Motion carried.

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

- March 1st - Dr. Seuss birthday party and book sale at the Primary School.
- Jump Rope for Heart – February 19th at the Primary – students raise money for the AHA.
- The MUNDO Club, Key Club, the senior class and students and staff at Manteno High School donated \$747.10 to the Manteno Rotary Club towards the purchase of a shelter box to help those homeless in Haiti.
- Anthony Franc, High School wrestler is heading to the State tournament.
- The ISBE has given Manteno CUSD #5 a “Recognition” status regarding its 2010 financial profile designation.
- Late State payments = \$1,199,379
- There will be a meeting set to review the gym HV bid specs

Old Business

Approve 2010-2011 Calendar Moved by Nelson, seconded by Dodge to approve calendar option “A” as the 2010-2011 school calendar. Voice vote – all ayes – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

MHS HVAC Units Tabled.

New Business

Amend 2009-2010 Calendar Moved by Dodge, seconded by Nelson to approve the 2009-2010 calendar as amended. Voice vote: All ayes – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Approve Hazardous Routes Moved by Martin, seconded by Nelson to approve the resolution that hazardous routes previously determined, still remain. Ayes: Martin, Nelson, Dodge, Mallaney and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Approve 2010-2011 Bus Lease Moved by Mallaney, seconded by Nelson to approve the 2010-2011 bus lease with Midwest Transit for \$247,554.00 as presented. Ayes: Mallaney, Nelson, Dodge, Martin, and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Approve 2010-2011 School Fees Moved by Dodge, seconded by Martin to approve the 2010-2011 school fees as presented. Ayes: Dodge, Martin, Mallaney, Nelson, and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Approve Vandercook Student Teaching Agmt. Moved by Martin, seconded by Dodge to approve the student teaching agreement between Vandercook College of Music and Manteno CUSD #5 as presented. Voice vote: All ayes – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Anticipated Items Anticipated items include - certified and non-certified staff employment, summer help employment and High School gym heating units.

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Adjourn to Executive Session Moved by Dodge, seconded by Nelson to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel, security procedures which may include personnel; and student discipline cases. Ayes: Dodge, Nelson, Mallaney, Martin and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried. Open session ended at 6:57 p.m.

Return to Open Session Moved by Dodge, seconded by Nelson to return to Open Session at 8:10 p.m. Ayes: Dodge, Nelson, Mallaney, Martin, and Stauffenberg – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried.

Meeting Adjournment Moved by Dodge, seconded by Nelson to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote - all ayes – five (5). Nays – none (0). Motion carried. The meeting ended at 8:11 p.m.

*Mark Stauffenberg**

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Board President

*Patrick Mallaney**

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Board Secretary

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