

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MOKENA SCHOOL DISTRICT 159 - BOARD OF EDUCATION
MOKENA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
April 10, 2013**

BOARD OF EDUCATION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Patrick Markham- President	✓	
Mr. Joseph Spalla – Vice President	✓	
Mr. Mike Ford– Secretary	✓	
Mr. Franceschini	✓	
Mrs. Kathy Moore	✓	
Mr. Scott Peters	✓	
Mr. Jeff Regan	✓	

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Stein, Superintendent, Chuck Vitton, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction; Eileen Parente Director of Student Services; John Troy, Director of Business Operations; Mike Rolinitis, Principal; Anna Kirchner, Principal, Eric Melnyczenko, Principal; Mari Jo Hanson, Assistant Principal; Mary Louise Knoerzer; Board Secretary, Debi Blank, Linda Eddy, Katherine Barr, Kim Rueth, laurel McGowan, Mike Bartos.

VISITORS: Carmen Huizenga, Marci Kolberg, Bob and Madeline Kral, Jim Andresen, Anna Briscoe, Stacy Cesta, Jenny Daley, Nick Biekerk, Taylor Didrickson, David Steffens, Alyssa maves, Sofia Peralta, Kathy Johnson, Joe Moore, Haley Velez, Greg Miller, Shelly Maves, Dave meyer, Jenny Ellul, Collin and Jill Moran, Christy Mullin, Lucas Mullin, kate Rogers, Sakina Hamwi, Tracy and Aaron Kamarauskas.

PRESS: Ginger Braschinger, Southtown Star; Ryan Bray, Mokena Messenger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Markham and Alyssa Maves led the Board of Education and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN SESSION and ROLL CALL

Mr. Markham called the Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Mokena Public School District 159 to order at 7:00 pm on April 10, 2013.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public: None

MTA: None

Board of Education

Mrs. Moore thanked Mokena School District's administration and staff and the Board of Education for allowing her to serve as a Board member for the last twelve years. She has served on the PTA; worked hard on the Playscape project; Kathy felt she always had done the best for the students of the District. She thanked the administration for their support of students and of the district.

Mr. Markham thanked Mrs. Moore for her services as a Board member and heard her passion in her voice and her heart. He also congratulated all the candidates for running for election; win or lose; this is the essence of government.

Mr. Peters thanked everyone who ran in the April 9, 2013 Election; he wished all the new incoming Board members well.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Storage will be available soon at MIS for Mokena Library use.
- Shared information on the storage shed Lincoln Way Blue Demons requested to put on field; larger than he realized; asked the Board if they had any concerns regarding this. The BOE assured he had their support on his decision.
- Turned over the meeting to Mrs. Eddy; Second Grade Enrichment teacher; she gave background on the State project that her 2nd grade students had to complete in 2 ½ week period; meeting certain criteria. She introduced Alyssa Maves who gave an enthusiastic report on New York; Alyssa guaranteed we would want to visit New York once we heard her report!

AUDITOR PRESENTATION

Smith, Koelling, Dykstra, & Ohm, P.C. and Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon, LLC. presented to the BOE their expertise in terms of Auditing Services.

Mr. Troy provided the bids proposal breakdown for the BOE. The Board directed Mr. Troy to bring back a recommendation to the April 17, 2013 Regular meeting for approval.

INFORMATION REPORTS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS Mr. Troy presented to the BOE:

- Slides of MES South gym floors using a new cleaning product; Ken Stanley was responsible for getting Performance Chemical and SportsKote to provide this in-service at MES for zero dollars.
- A bus leasing quote from Midwest Transit for \$9,325/year, per bus, for five year lease for three buses; will be asking for approval at next meeting.

POLICY Mr. Stein presented Policies for First Read.

1. 6:60 Curriculum Content
2. 6:60-AP – Comprehensive Health Education Program
3. 6:60-E – Notice to Parents of Students Enrolled in Family Life and Sex Education Classes
4. 6:140 – AP Education of Homeless Children
5. 6:170 Title I Programs
6. 6:170-API- Checklist for Development, Implementation and Maintenance Of Parent Involvement
7. 6:170-AP2- Notice to Parents Required to NCLB
8. 6:170- AP3- NCLB Checklist
9. 6:170-API, EI- District Level Parent Involvement Compact
10. 6:170- AP1, E2- School Level Parent Involvement Compact
11. 6:280-AP- Evaluating and Reporting Student Achievement
12. 4:110- Transportation
13. 4:110-AP1- School bus Accident Checklist
14. 4:110- AP2-Bus Driver Communication Devices; pre-trip and post-trip and Inspections; and Driver Comments

CLASSIFIED HANDBOOK UPDATE Mrs. Parente presented to BOE:

- The need for the update in Employee Classified Handbook due to the fact the District will be hiring paraprofessionals to help run the additional Special Education programs the District has taken back; will be asking for approval at next meeting.

LINCOLN WAY SPECIAL EDUCATION MINUTES

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Mrs. Moore reported to the BOE:

- She thanked the BOE the opportunity to serve as the representative to the #843 Board; it was a rewarding experience
- Reduction of Force – was difficult due to the changes happening at #843
- Fundraiser- “Celebration of Spring”- Silent auction and Fashion show; 3/23 at 2pm Hickory Creek

ACTION REPORTS

Recommended Motion:

Mrs. Moore moved that the Board of Education reject the bid for locksmith services from Anderson Lock. The motion was seconded by Mr. Peters.

On Roll Call

Ayes: Mr. Ford, Mr. Franceschini, Mr. Markham, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Peters, Mr. Regan, Mr. Spalla

Nays: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Mr. Markham suggested trying to appeal to a broader base of vendor.

Mr. Troy explained this was a small project which does not attract many vendors.

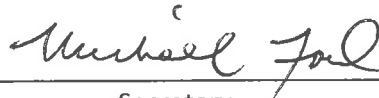
Mr. Peters suggested reviewing policy 4:60-Purchases and Contracts; changing maximum amount from \$10,000 back to \$20,000; need to be cognizant of the time involved dealing with RFP's.

ADJOURMENT

At 8:39 pm Mr. Ford moved to go to Closed Session for Purposes of Personnel. Pursuant of ILCS 120/2(c)(1). The motion was seconded by Mr. Franceschini. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.



President



Secretary

