

MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14

MANITOU SPRINGS, CO

Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting
April 23, 2007 7:00 p.m.

The informal discussion session and dinner meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Front Conference Room of the Shared Integrated Learning Center.

Members of the Board of Education present for the informal meeting were Lori Finn, Jennifer Farmer, Anna Lord, Larry Rice and Jeanne Barnes.

Present Barnes called the formal session to order at 7:05 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Staff members present were present: Roy Crawford, Melissa McElhaney, Beth Campbell, Tim Miller, Rob Cody, Keith Elsberry, Deb Yagmin, Russ Vogel, Joyce Anderson, Bill Dallas, John McGee, Angela Gieck, Patti Hickox, Lisa Dillinder, and Chris Beaudin.

Guest: Jeff Robinson

A. AGENDA

042307.01 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Agenda for April 23, 2007 with the following additions/subtractions: Resignations: Terri Chandler and Sara Schloesser. Remove B. Minutes from March 19, 2007.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

B. MINUTES

Minutes were not ready for approval. Mrs. Farmer will have them for next month's meeting.

C. RECURRENT

1. Identification of members of the audience who are not listed on the Agenda

wishing to make a comment to the Board of Education.

There were none.

2. Receive and or Act on Correspondence.

Mr. Rice received updates from CASB and an advertisement from the Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development magazine.

3. Payment of Expenditures for the month ending April 30, 2007

042307.02 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Payment of Expenditures for the month ending April 30, 2007.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

E. NEW BUSINESS

• Middle School Football Proposal

A discussion was held regarding a new Middle School Football program. Mr. Rice said that the district cannot fund any new programs at this time. The varsity program has to be the first choice, when it comes time to fundraising money.

042307.03 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Middle School Football program with the list of conditions of Attachment A.

The motion was seconded.

Mr. Rice made it very clear; although the district is not funding this program, the district is supporting it by using district staff to oversee the program and maintenance of fields and buildings.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

• 2008 Salary Scale Recommendation Teachers

042307.04 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the salary schedule for 2008 certified employees.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice declined, and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- 2008 Salary Scale Recommendation Classified

042307.05 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the salary schedule for 2008 classified employees. Employees may be granted up to four years credit for suitable experience gained outside School District 14.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- 2008 Salary Scale Recommendation Directors

042307.06 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the salary schedule for 2008 Directors.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- 2008 Salary Scale Recommendation Administration

042307.07 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the salary schedule for 2008 Administration with amending the contract days for the assistant superintendent to 220 days.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- 2008 Activities and Coaching Salary Schedule

042307.08 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the salary schedule for 2008 Activities and Coaching.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- Health Insurance: 2008 amount of single and family contributions to their plan of choice

042307.09 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the District 2008 EPO amount of single (\$361.82) and family (\$693.82) contribution to employee plan of choice.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice declined, and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- Health Insurance: 2008 High Deductible Plan Option

042307.10 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the 2008 High Deductible Plan Option. The District will contribute the same amount as to the EPO plan.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice declined, and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

Break – 8:40 – 8:50 p.m.

- Third Quarter Financials

Mr. Miller reviewed the Third Quarter Financial Reports with the Board.

- Resolution for Teacher Appreciation Week

042307.11 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the Resolution for Teacher Appreciation Week.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

- Federal Programs Assurances

0442307.12 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Federal Programs Assurances.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

At this time Mr. Rice requested a breakout on salaries for para educators who work with severe needs students.. Mr. Miller will produce a schedule for the board.

F. CONSENSUS/ROUTINE ITEMS

042307.13 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the following Routine/Consensus Items.

The motion was seconded.

1. Resignations/Leave of Absence/Retirement/Transitional Retirement/Maternity Leave

. Certified

- Randi Hitchcock – UPE- PE
- Maria Masone – MSES – SPED
- Shellie Lasiter – MSES - .5 SPED
- Katie Monhaut – MSMS – MATH

b) Classified

- Tim Neilan – District Buildings and Grounds
- Michelle Martinez – MSES – Para
- Kenneth Wales – MSES – Custodian

2. Employment

a) Certified

- Denise Johnson – MSMS – 6th Grade SPED
- John McGee – MSHS – Athletics/Activities Director

. Classified

- Heather Valentine – MSES – Para

3. ARK Contracts

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mrs. Lord voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Barnes voted aye.

G. REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Crawford reminded Board Members and about the Spirit of the Mustang Dinner/Awards evening on May 1, 2007.

Mr. Crawford will be asking classified employees to apply for their 4 years experience if they are interested in getting paid for outside experience.

Beginning May 7th Mr. Crawford will be visiting buildings to answer questions regarding insurance, salary scales and answer any questions staff might have.

The Manitou Springs Education Foundation raised a significant amount of money for the student art banners.

Mr. Crawford attended "After Hours" thru the Chamber of Commerce. It was hosted by the new Comfort Inn located on Manitou Ave. What a beautiful hotel.

There will be an Action Fair held on Saturday, April 28th at the City Hall in Manitou. Mr. Crawford, Ms. Campbell, and Mrs. Faucette will be there with District information from 4-7 pm.

2. Board of Education Reports

a) Board of Cooperative Education Services . . . Larry Rice and Jeanne Barnes

There will be a final meeting in May. An IEP audit will be held in Woodland Park.

b) Community Relations Jennifer Farmer

The midweek Farmers Market will continue downtown Manitou. They are looking for volunteers to help. The volunteer group will receive a small profit.

Mrs. Farmer will be helping with a Taste of Manitou.

c) Governmental Relations . . . Anna Lord

Mrs. Lord wanted to make sure all Board Members were aware of the removal of Michael Merrifield from office. Mr. Merrifield has finished up his treatments for cancer.

d) District Accountability Advisory Committee Lori Finn

The DAAC met on April 10th, they discussed the 2 year plan for the Wellness Committee, Technology for the Future and the pros and cons of a district survey.

The last meeting will be on May 8th

e) Salary Committee Liaison. . . . Anna Lord and Lori Finn

Mr. Crawford will be going out to the buildings to talk with staff regarding salaries.

3. Staff

a) Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services . . . Beth Campbell

Ms. Campbell informed the Board Members on the Jump Start Program that will be held at the schools this summer.

Ms. Campbell would like to invite the Board and any staff members interested in attending a breakfast meeting at the Tesla Center on Sept. 13th. She would just like you to get it on your calendars.

b) Assistant Superintendent for Business Services. Tim Miller

Mr Miller reviewed his written report to the Board. Food Service has a review with an outside company, ICON. The security project is almost done. The system records to DVD's and can access the cameras remotely.

4. Principals

Mr. Vogel said that the evening of “Dads and Donuts’ was a big hit. They even had to make a second run for donuts.

Dr. Yagmin, all staff and students took a day off and went to the Fossil Beds for Earth Day.

Mrs. Lord mentioned the Knowledge Bowl and our students took 2nd Place in the State.

Mr. Cody said the High School Art Students will have their work on display on May 1st at the Smoke Brush. The High School Prom is Saturday, April 28th at The BAC.

Mr. Elsberry had a tremendous rating of High School students attending High Trails with the Middle School Students.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Farmer
Secretary