

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
MAY 19, 2008
MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14
MANITOU SPRINGS, CO

Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting
May 19, 2008 7:00 pm

Members of the Board of Education present for the informal dinner meeting at 6:00 pm and for the 7:00 pm meeting were Jennifer Farmer, Anna Lord, Larry Rice, Lori Finn and Glenn Noufer.

President Lord called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Staff members present were: Roy Crawford, Melissa McElhaney, Tim Miller, Deb Yagmin, Russ Vogel, Steve Paterson, Rob Cody and Pat Urban.

Absent: Beth Campbell

A. AGENDA

051908.01 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the agenda for May 19, 2008.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

B. MINUTES

051908.02 Mr. Noufer moved to approve the minutes for April 28, 2008 with the following amendments.

P1 – Adding: Mrs. Casey’s 6th grade Science Class.

Strike the word ~~voted~~ from all requested roll calls, it should read vote.

P2 – At this time Mrs. Casey introduced herself and some of the students who ~~would present~~ presented to the Board.

Kolt Woofter discussed his project on ~~Coli~~ Ecoli.
Denver Hall discussed her project on ~~Macinveriterates~~
Macro-invertebrates.

P5 – f) Salary Committee. . . .Lori Finn and ~~Anna Lord~~
Jennifer Farmer

Mr. Farmer seconded the motion.

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

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. Crawford distributed brochures from Farmers Insurance Agent Deb Lowery offering discounts to district employees. It was discussed that if another legitimate organization wanted to do the same and it benefited our employees, we would allow distribution of similar materials.

The district spring newsletter will be in mail boxes next week.

Mrs. Lord received the School Board News and will pass it along to Board members.

Mr. Rice said the CASB information is released for the 68th Annual Convention Dec. 4-7. They are requesting speakers. The district was involved in the art and entertainment in the past and would like to do so again.

3. Payment of Expenditures.

051908.03 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the payment of expenditures for the month ending April 30, 2008.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

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

D. REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Crawford reviewed key dates and times for the end of the school year events.

The Colorado Arts Summit will be held June 7, 2008 and Mr. Crawford will be a guest speaker. District 14 has a team of teachers and parents attending.

2. Board of Education Reports

a) Board of Cooperative Education Services . . . Larry Rice and Glenn Noufer

Mr. Rice reported that the UPBOCES is waiting for the CIMP Compliance Report from CDE. Once the report is received, we have 90 days to write an action plan and one year to show growth and improvement on the action plan. In addition, the BOCES Board:

- Elected a new vice president-Rick Wetz
- Added an Administrative Assistant position. The Administrative Assistant would serve all three districts, answer to the Director in each district, handle day to day data management, track IEP due dates and complete CDE reports.
- Established an Associate membership with Pikes Peak BOCES. Some of the advantages of becoming an associate member of PPBOCES are reduced cost to access PPBOEES programs, access to quality autism services and staff training and consulting services.
- Upcoming meetings: The next BOCES Board Meeting will be Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 6 p.m. at Ute Pass Elementary School to approve the preliminary budget for 2009.

b) Community Relations . . . Jennifer Farmer, Glenn Noufer and Anna Lord

Mrs. Farmer was unable to attend the Art Banner Party in Manitou Springs. UPE school hosted their "Pony Fun Run" on the 17th of May. Bronc Days will be held August 7th in Green Mountain Falls and Mrs. Lord would like the school to take advantage of the marketing possibilities.

c) Governmental Relations Anna Lord

No report.

d) Pikes Peak Alliance . . . Tim Miller

Mr. Miller attended last meeting. The next meeting will be May 27th and Mr. Miller and Mr. Crawford will both attend. Mrs. Lord has asked if anyone would be interested in taking her place on this committee. It was decided that Mr. Miller and Mr. Crawford would be the two representatives from District 14. It is not typical for school board members to attend these meetings.

e) District Accountability Advisory Committee . . .

BAAC: Low attendance but UPE and MSHS representatives reported.

Book Study: Finished the discussion on the book Results Now. The discussion went well. The District 14 is using some of the concepts outlined in the book.

RtI: The DAAC heard from Mrs. Niebuhr, MSMS. She said how valuable the elementary schools were in helping MSMS get started.

Children's Literacy Center/Peak Reader Tutoring training dates are: Jun 3-5, 5:30 – 8:00p.m. Location is a 2928 Straus Lane.

3. Staff Reports

a) Assistant Superintendent for Instruction . . .Beth
Campbell

Ms. Campbell was absent – please see her written report.

b) Assistant Superintendent for Business Services . .
Tim Miller

c) Director of Special Programs . . . Pat Urban

Pat Urban presented and discussed the Gifted Task Force Summary.

4. Principals

- Dr. Yagmin reported that UPE students collected "Pennies for Peace" totaling over \$600 to send to Pakistan.

The third grade CSAP scores for reading were high in that 93% were 'at or above'.

- Mr. Vogel reported on a 5th grade "Milagros in Motion" fundraiser to help orphans in Peru. Student wrote a business plan and presented it to the community.
- Mr. Cody was happy to announce that Mari Tanabe, a MSHS junior, will be recognized for her first place essay "Write to Lead" at the National Democratic Convention in Denver this summer. She will be an opening night guest at the convention, her essay will be published in the Rocky Mountain News and the Denver Post, and she will receive \$2,000 and a new laptop.

Daniel Gieck, 11th grade, won the State Championship in the high hurdles.

Recently "Manny the Mustang" was given a ride on a Manitou Springs fire engine to Cedar Heights to visit a five-year-old little boy who has leukemia and cannot attend school. "Manny" gave the little boy a miniature "Manny the Mustang" stuffed horse. The family later told Mr. Cody that it was a wonderful treat for the child.

- Mr. Paterson related that four sixth-grade students each won a \$2,000 savings bond in a national competition through GATE.

E. ROUTINE/CONSENSUS ITEMS

051908.04 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the following Routine/Consensus items.

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

a) Certified

- Paul Galido – Health Teacher – MSMS
- Penny Noyes – Math Teacher – MSHS

b) Classified

- John Butler – Transportation
- Vanita Pederson – Food Service

2. Employment

a) Certified

- Jeana Lincoln – Kindergarten – MSES

b) Classified

3. Other

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

G. NEW BUSINESS

• PERSONNEL MOTIONS for 2008-09 CONTRACTS

051908.05 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve a 2008-09 teaching contract for the following **First Alternative Licensure Program Probationary Year** teacher:

- Rebecca Swanson*—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Math

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

051908.06 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve 2008-09 teaching contracts for the following **PROBATIONARY FIRST YEAR** teachers/certified staff:

- Dawn Sticht*—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Special Education
- Jeana Lincoln—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Kindergarten
- Amy DeLarm—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School 3rd Grade
- Nissa Wecks—1.0 Manitou Springs High School English/Journalism
- Kolleen Johnson—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Special Education

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

051808.07 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve 2008-09 teaching contracts for the following **PROBATIONARY SECOND YEAR** teachers/certified staff:

- Amy O'Connor—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School Spanish
- Michael Adams—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School 8th Math
- Denise Johnson—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School Special Education
- Michelle D'Agostino—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School 6th Science
- Penny Noyes—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Math
- Jose Almeida—1.0 Manitou Springs High School World Languages
- Holly Garlow—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Art
- Jacob Pavey—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Woodworking/Applied Art
- Jennifer Sanders—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School 4th Grade
- Leatha Hay—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Counselor
- Sonya Teigen—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Special Education
- Valia Palaia—1.0 Ute Pass Elementary Special Education
- Joni Sexauer—1.0 School Nurse

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

051908.08 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve 2008-09 teaching contracts for the following **PROBATIONARY THIRD YEAR** teachers/staff:

- Patricia Allen—1.0 Manitou Springs High School counselor
- Michelle Bechtel—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Preschool
- Kari Boozell—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Music
- Lindsay (Heidenreich) Hammel—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School Kindergarten
- Amy Jennings—1.0 Manitou Elementary School Title I Reading
- Shaunda McQueeney*—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School 6th Math
- Karen Seitz—1.0 Manitou Springs Middle School Reading
- Amber Niskern—1.0 6th-12th Instrumental Music
- Brian Vecchio—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Physical Education/Health

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

051908.09 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve 2008-09 teaching contracts for the following **NON-PROBATIONARY FOURTH YEAR** teachers:

- Virginia Swinney*—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Library Media Specialist
 - Michael Barbera—1.0 Ute Pass Elementary School 1st Grade
 - Mark Brost—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School 3rd Grade
 - Andrea Geraci—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Mathematics
 - Amanda Hendrickson*—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary 4th Grade
- *Amanda Hendrickson was a part-time (.5) teacher in 2004-05 and first year probationary teacher in 2005-2006; she completed her 3-year probationary cycle in 2007-08.
- Jesse Hull—1.0 Manitou Springs High School Social Studies
 - Amber Richman—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School 5th Grade
 - Christine Whipkey—1.0 Manitou Springs Elementary School 2nd Grade

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

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

051908.10 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve **PART-TIME** teacher contracts for the 2008-09 school year for the following teachers.

- John Giles-- .25 Manitou Springs High School English
- Lynn Grieb-- .5 Ute Pass Elementary Pre-School

- Randi Hitchcock--.5 Ute Pass Elementary School Physical Education
- Maria Masone--.5 Manitou Springs Elementary School
- Candis Mowery--.5 Ute Pass Elementary Gifted & Talented
- Nancy (Neeley) Moseley--.5 Title II Reading
- Kathy Nimz--.4 Ute Pass Elementary Counselor
- Beth Romano--.5 Ute Pass Elementary Art
- Robin Sokol--.5 Manitou Springs Elementary School Reading
- Joyce Spilka Stafford--.8 School Psychologist
- Emily Woloszyn--.5 Ute Pass Elementary Music

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

051908.11 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve **ADMINISTRATOR** contracts for the 2008-09 school year for the following administrators.

- Beth Campbell—Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
- Tim Miller—Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
- Robert Cody—Manitou Spring High School Principal
- Steve Paterson—Manitou Springs Middle School Principal
- Deborah Yagmin—Ute Pass Elementary School Principal
- Russ Vogel—Manitou Springs Elementary Principal
- Jay Woodard—Manitou Springs Assistant Principal
- Patricia Urban—Director of Special Programs
- Gene Sanchez—Director of Technology
- John McGee—Athletics/Activities Director

Mr. Noufer seconded the motion.

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

- 2009-2010 School Calendar and Additional Days

051908.12 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the 2009-2010 School Calendar and Additional Days first reading.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

- 2008-2009 Preliminary Budget

Mr. Miller presented to the Board the 2008-2009 Preliminary Budget with the addition of a .25 FTE position (to make the current .75 position full time) at the middle school to offer more PE and health to students.

Mr. Paterson said that 6th graders would be able to have 18 weeks of PE/health, 7th graders would have PE/health all year long and 8th graders would PE/health for 18 weeks.

051908.13 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the 2008-2009 Preliminary Budget with the addition of .25 FTE at the Middle School.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Crawford commended Mr. Miller for his commitment and skill in developing this preliminary budget.

H. FUTURE AGENDAS

- June 2 Policy Review Cycle
 Final Board Goals
 R2O Strategic Plan
 2008-2009 Board meeting and work schedule
 Public session: superintendent's contract.
 (Action)
- June 23 Final budget (Action)
 2009-2010 Calendar Second Reading (Action)
 Policy Review Cycle First Reading (Action)
 Superintendent contract (Action)
- July 21 Policy Review Cycle Second Reading (Action)
 R2O Strategic Plan
 Employee resignations and hiring

I. Executive Session

- 051908.14 Mrs. Farmer moved to enter executive session for the purpose of evaluating the superintendent.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

The Board entered executive session at 9:12pm

051908.15 Mrs. Farmer moved that the Board return to public session.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

The Board returned to public session at 10:50pm

J. ADJOURNMENT

051908.16 Mrs. Farmer moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:55pm