

MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14

MANITOU SPRINGS, CO

Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting
August 27, 2007 7:00pm

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

President Barnes called the formal session to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Staff members present were: Roy Crawford, Melissa McElhaney, Beth Campbell, Tim Miller, Deb Yagmin, Russ Vogel, Steve Paterson, Rob Cody, Ben Mack and Matt Barton.

Visitors included: Steve Spaulding, Ronald Bockhorst, Valerie Clothier, Mike Vrecenor, Carol Salamon, Maile Gray, Randy Purvis, Robin Purvis, Donald Gibas, Alice Barnett, Jordan Barnett, Nancy Maestas, Sara Peek, Bill Foorman, Rebecca Gibas, Peggy Dlugos, Kim Gravestock and Glenn Noufer.

A. AGENDA

082707.01 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the August Agenda with the following amendment: Add June 25, 2007 minutes to be approved.

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

082707.02 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the June 25, 2007 Minutes with the following corrections: Page 5 add to 062507.05 and 062507.06 motions the 2006-07 Supplemental Annual Budget dollar amount of \$17,671,801. Page 6 add to 062507.07 and 062507.08 motions the 2007-08 Annual Budget dollar amount of \$17,787,123.

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.

082707.03 Mr. Rice moved to approve the July 26, 2007 Minutes with one correction: Page 3 Ms. Campbell and three teachers (Becky Elms, Michael Barbera and Greg DiFiore) presented the new K-5 Science Curriculum to the Board.

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.

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.

The Board received information on upcoming CASB conferences and regional meetings.

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

082707.04 Mrs. Lord moved to approve Payment of Expenditures for the month ending June 30, 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.

D. REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Crawford reported on the opening of schools on August 20th. All four schools opened smoothly and without problems.

On August 14th, a district wide staff welcome back meeting was held. The main focus was discussion and small group work involving Relationships, Rigor, and Opportunity (R20). Feedback surveys were sent out to the building and the results will be tallied.

Thank you to Ms. Campbell and the Professional Development Team for putting together a wonderful program for the mentor/mentees.

Thanks to Cathy Karr for volunteering to be the tour guide on the bus tour of the district on the 10th of August for new employees. She also handed out eleven gift certificates to local businesses for the new employees.

The schools will soon be hosting their open houses.

Food Service Director Paula Faucette recently presented to the Colorado Department of Education on Nutrition. Local T.V. station FOX 21 will be interviewing Ms. Faucette on the healthy changes in the Food Service Department.

Ms. Campbell was a presenter at the Annual CASB Conference in early August.

2. Board of Education

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

No Report

b) Community RelationsJennifer Farmer

No Report

c) Governmental Relations. Anna Lord

Mrs. Lord informed the Board that the NCLB Act was up for reauthorization.

d) District Accountability Advisory Committee Lori Finn

No Report – Next meeting September 17, 2007 6-8:00pm

e) Salary Committee Liaison Lori Finn and Anna Lord

No Report – Next meeting will be in December or January.

3. Staff Reports

a) Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Beth Campbell

Ms. Campbell reviewed her written report. She discussed key topics with the Board and invited them to a Step Up Science breakfast and research presentation on September 13th at D-11's Tesla center.

b) Assistant Superintendent for Business Services. Tim Miller

Mr. Miller informed the Board that student enrollment is 1,333.5 and he used 1,314.0 for the budget. School Board candidates must have in their packets by Friday, August 31st. The election will be canceled if we have three or fewer candidates. Mr. Miller requested that the resolution be read as Unfinished Business.

4. Other

Mr. Cody acknowledged that Abby Nimz, graduate of MSHS and a Boetscher Scholarship recipient honored Ms. Bridget O'Connor at the award ceremony.

The high school has an outstanding number of students in the Advance Placement program.

E. CONSENSUS/ROUTINE ITEMS

082707.05 Mr. Rice moved to approve the following Routine/Consensus Items.

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

a) Certified

b) Classified

- Michelle Martinez – MSES – Para
- Loyd Mowery – MSHS – Custodian

2. Employment

a) Certified

- Jose Almeida – MSHS – Spanish Teacher
- John Giles – MSHS - .25 English Teacher

b) Classified

- Kevin Benson – MSMS – Para
- Jack Elder – MSHS – Para

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.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Board of Elections and Board CASB Orientation (Discussion)

082707.06 Mrs. Farmer moved to accept the Cancellation of school board election resolution if there are three or fewer qualified candidates.

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.

G. NEW BUSINESS

- MSHS Soccer Coaching/Staffing

Mr. Don Gibas addressed the Board regarding the staffing needs for boys and

girls soccer. He mentioned that there are only two paid coaches for fifty plus students and that volunteers are great, but are hard to depend on. The delegation of soccer parents in attendance asked the Board for two more paid coaches to bring the coach/student ratio in line with other sports. Mr. Gibas thanked Mr. Crawford for being available on August 16th at his request.

A discussion was held. Guidelines will be established to determine appropriate coaching levels for all sports.

082707.07 Mrs. Lord moved to approve two additional coaches and funding for up to \$500.00 for one year to supplement the operation of the program.

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.

- DAAC Charge

082707.08 Mrs. Lord moved to adopt the District Accountability Advisory Committee Charge for 2007-2008.

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.

- Teacher Resignation Agreement

082707.09 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the resignation agreement between Ms. Joyce Anderson and 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.

- Open of School Enrollment and Reports

See Mr. Miller's Report

- District Nurse FTE

082707.10 Mrs. Farmer moved to increase the school nurse position from a .8 to a 1.0 position budgeted for an additional \$10,000.

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.

- Fourth Quarter Financials

Mr. Miller reviewed Fourth Quarter Financials with the Board.

- Pikes Peak Capital Alliance Agreement

082707.11 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Manitou Springs School District to enter a one year contract for the 07/08 school year with Pikes Peak Alliance for a cost of \$1317.

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.

H. FUTURE AGENDAS

Mrs. Finn will not be in attendance for the 9/25/07 meeting.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Farmer