

NORTH MAC COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #34

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

GIRARD MEDIA CENTER

MARCH 16, 2011 – 6:30 pm

The meeting was opened by President Stephen Furman at 6:30 pm in the Girard Media Center

Board members present were: Farley Cole, Scott Etter, Stephen Furman, Charles Handy, Robyn Hays, James Matuska and Mark Sloman.

Also present: Ron Graham, Deb Bommarito, Sarah Raynor, Rob Horn, Randy Niles, Marcia Walter and Millie Burgess. See attached list of community members.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Handy to approve the agenda as amended. Roll call. Yea vote – Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy and Furman.

Written Communications:

Thank you notes were read from Mary Payne, Diane Moore and Sue Mathias for the flowers that were sent in memory of a family member who had passed away.

A letter of resignation effective at the end of this school year was read from Patrick Zweigart.

A request from the 7th grade teachers was read asking for permission to waive the 50 mile limitation on field trips in order to take the 7th grade students to tour the Caterpillar manufacturing plant in Decatur.

A request from Joan Hartley was read asking permission to take three students on an overnight Trip to the Family Career and Community Leaders of American State Conference.

2. Consent Agenda

Motion by Hays, seconded by Matuska to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call. Yea vote – Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska and Furman.

The consent agenda consisted of minutes from the special board meeting of February 16, 2010; financial reports; bills payable; resignation letter from Patrick Zweigart and Naeir membership renewal.

3. Communications

3.2 Motion by Sloman, seconded by Etter to enter into closed session to discuss student discipline matters at 6:45 pm. Roll call. Yea vote – Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter and Furman.

Out of closed session at 7:18 pm.

Karen DeFevers presented the board with an article that the North Mac Citizens Advisory Committee will be placing in the local newspapers regarding the construction referendum. The committee will be hosting an open house at the high school and the south campus building. She asked the board if they would be available to be at the open house to answer questions from the public regarding the construction grant and the renovation of the buildings.

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3.3 A group of parents wished to address the board, but they had not gone through the proper chain of command before addressing the board.

3.4 Kyle Koke addressed the board requesting early graduation. He has enlisted in the Marines and would like the time to train before he enters the Marines. He also has a job. A straw poll of the board revealed Matuska, Sloman, Handy and Furman in favor of the early graduation with Etter, Hays and Cole against it. The date to request early graduation has passed. Other requests for early graduation had been granted after the deadline so this request is being honored.

Kyle Koke left at 7:25 pm.

Motion by Etter, seconded by Sloman to allow attendance at the FCCLA State Conference and to permit the 7th grade trip to Decatur to tour the Caterpillar plant. Roll call. Yea vote - Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

Comments from Visitors: Fred Mulacek addressed the board stating that items were discussed with the coach. He also talked to Bruce and he had talked to the coach.

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Reports from the principals, athletic director and assistant superintendent reports are attached. There was no superintendent's report.

4. Continuing Business

4.1 The student activities committee is recommending that an additional junior high track coach be hired. There are over 100 students that went out for track. We have only one coach. The committee will be setting limits to the number of athletes allowed on a team.

Motion by Etter, seconded by Sloman to hire one assistance track coach with the discretion of the administration to hire an additional assistance track coach if the number of athletes require one. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

4.2 Motion by Hays, seconded by Cole to approve the Elementary, Middle School and High School school improvement plans as presented previously. Roll call. Yea vote – Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole and Furman.

4.3 Discussion was held on hiring a district auditor.

Motion by Handy, seconded by Matuska to employ Kenneth E. Loy and Company as auditors for the FY 11 audit. Roll call. Yea vote – Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska and Furman.

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4.4 Motion by Cole, seconded by Handy to hire Consulting Research to do the executive search for the North Mac School District at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00 Roll call. Yea vote – Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy and Furman.

4.5 Motion by Sloman, seconded by Etter to approve the proposed 2011-2012 school calendar. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

5. Motion by Cole, seconded by Sloman to enter into closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees and collective bargaining at 8:10 PM. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

Out of Closed Session at 9:04 PM.

Motion by Sloman, seconded by Hays to approve the transfer of Docket number 3 directly from the Christmont Safe School to ROE #40 Safe School and the transfer of Docket number 4 to the ROE #40 Safe School. Roll call. Yea vote – Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays and Furman.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Sloman to adopt the attached Resolution of Honorable Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

Motion by Sloman, seconded by Cole to adopt the attached Resolution of Non-Reemployment of Part-time Educational Support Personnel. Roll call. Yea vote – Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole and Furman.

Motion by Sloman, seconded by Matuska to adopt the attached Resolution for Reduction in Assignment of Education Support Personnel. Roll call. Yea vote – Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska and Furman.

Motion by Hays, second Sloman to hire Hannah Ryan as assistant middle school track coach for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

Motion by Handy, seconded by Etter to hire J. D. Lorton as Head Football Coach; Matt Allen and Kris Eldridge as Assistant Football Coaches; Stephen Humphrey as Golf Coach; Charlie Pohlman as Cross-county Coach and Alan Love as middle school Softball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year with a salary in accordance with the NMEA contract. Roll call. Yea vote – Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter and Furman.

Motion by Etter, seconded by Hays to employ Patrick Bowman as middle school principal for a three-year contract commencing July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2013. Roll call. Yea vote – Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Handy, Hays and Furman. Nay vote – Etter.

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Motion by Etter, seconded by Cole to hire Anna Allen as Title One teacher for the 2011-2012 school year at a salary in accordance with the NMEA contract. Roll call. Yea vote – Etter, Handy, Matuska, Sloman, Cole and Furman. Abstain - Hays

Motion by Cole, seconded by Sloman to hire Ashley Creasey as Kindergarten teach for the 2011-2010 school year at a salary in accordance with the NMEA contract. Roll call. Yea vote – Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays, Matuska, Sloman and Furman.

Motion by Etter, seconded by Hays to mover the regular April board meeting to April 27th. Roll call. Yea vote – Matuska, Sloman, Cole, Etter, Handy, Hays and Furman.

Adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary