

MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14
MANITOU SPRINGS, CO

Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting
September 24, 2007

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

Absent: Lori Finn

President Barnes called the formal session to order at 7:00pm 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 and Rob Cody.

Other Staff Members: Amy Jennings, Troy Gedack and Mary Gressler

Other: Lynn Bloomfield

A. AGENDA

092407.01 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the Agenda for
September 24, 2007 with the following amendments:

Routine/Consensus Items: Barbara Chapman, Richard Ragsdale and Jan O'Connor (new hires)

Anthony Sinutko (resignation)

The motion was seconded.

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

B. MINUTES

092407.02 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the Minutes for August 27, 2007 as amended.

Page 3: Ms. Campbell was a presenter at the Annual CASE Conference in early August.

Page 4: School Board candidates must turn in their packets by Friday, August 31st.

The high school has had a number of students who have received high scores in the Advance Placement program.

The motion was seconded.

President Barnes requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer 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.

Board members shared their correspondence.

3. Payment of Expenditures for the month ending July 31, 2007 and August 31, 2007.

092407.03 Mrs. Lord moved to approve Payment of Expenditures for the months ending July 31, 2007 and August 31, 2007.

The motion was seconded.

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

D. REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Crawford thanked and congratulated all the teachers and staff for the tremendous job they did with the fifth grade camp.

The extra approved staff development days will be scheduled to appear on the 2008-2009 School Calendar. The District Leadership Team will do their best to align non-students days within all four schools.

Mr. Crawford attended a Superintendent's Retreat in Keystone for two days. State Education Commissioner Dr. Dwight Jones was the key speaker and he has developed a document entitled "Forward Thinking" which sets goals for CDE.

In attending a recent home football game, Mr. Crawford was pleased at the atmosphere and the "class and style" of all the coaches. The cheering squad was also impressive. Everything just "felt good" that evening. Thanks to all who made it happen.

The district has a proposal in to do a presentation on Restorative Justice at the Colorado Association of School Boards Conference in December. If we are invited to do a presentation, we will have about seven presenters there.

2. Board of Education

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

No Report – Next Meeting Oct. 16th

- b) Community Relations Jennifer Farmer

Black Cat Book Store hosted a open forum for the candidates running for Mayor and City Council. There are three candidates running for Mayor and four candidates running for three seats on City Council.

- c) Governmental Relations Anna Lord

Mrs. Lord will be attending the Delegate Assembly on October 19th. Mrs. Lord also will attended the local Legislative Breakfast on October 23rd.

- d) District Accountability Advisory Committee Lori Finn

No Report

- e) Salary Committee Liaison Lori Finn and Anna Lord

No Report – Next meeting in December or January

3. Staff

- a) Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Beth Campbell

Ms. Campbell reviewed her written report with the Board.

- b) Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Tim Miller

Mr. Miller informed all that the 2007 School Board Election has been canceled because there are three candidates for three available seats.

The district enrollment is right at budget. He commented that we are in a dramatically better position than we were in last year at this time.

c) Director of Technology Gene Sanchez

Reported on hardware and software purchased, installed, or soon to be installed.

4. Principals

MSHS – Mr. Cody mentioned that Channel 5/30 came out to interview some of high school students who were wearing black in support of the rally in Jena, Louisiana: a high school racial incident.

The Homecoming Parade was canceled due to the incline fire. The roads had to be open and clear for emergency vehicles to enter town. The Football game was played as scheduled.

1. Other

None

E. CONSENSUS/ROUTINE ITEMS

092407.04 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the following
Routine/Consensus Items.

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

a) Certified

- Joyce Anderson – MSHS – Math
- Susan Matejcek – MSES – Title I
- Natalie Gum – MSES – Kindergarten

b) Classified

- Jerry Schwear – District Grounds

2. Employment

a) Certified

b) Classified

- Richard Ragsdale – MSHS - Custodian
- Jan O'Connor – Transportation
- Barbara Chapman – MSHS - Para

The motion was seconded.

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

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

G. NEW BUSINESS

- Summer School Report

Ms. Campbell introduced staff who worked and planned the summer school/jump start program. Troy Gedack, Amy Jennings, Mary Gressler and Lynn Bloomfield answered questions from the Board and discussed the programs that were held over the summer.

- Resolution Classified Employee Week

092407.05 Mrs. Lord moved to approve the Resolution for
Classified Employee Week

The motion was seconded.

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

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Regular Board meeting in October was set for October 29th.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Farmer
Secretary