

MINUTES: Meeting of the Monona Grove School District, Business Services
Committee, held on Wednesday, January 30, 2008, in the Nichols School,
District Office Board Room, Starting at 5:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT John Weinberger, Susan Manning, Peter Sobol
COMMITTEE MEMBER PRESENT: Jason McCutchin
COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT: Judy Runk

- I. Opening of Meeting – John Weinberger
- II. Declaration of Public Notice -acknowledged
- III. Public Appearances

Ray Palmer cancelled his appearance to speak to the Committee regarding the districts non-eligible bus rider fees.

The following individuals addressed the Committee regarding the approval of new band uniforms at the high school:

Sharon Henes, 720 Crawford Drive, Cottage Grove
Mary O'Connor, 5103 Winnequah Road, Monona
Debbie Kreigh, 305 Nichols Road, Monona

- IV. Approval of the Minutes of the January 2, 2008, Business Services Committee Meeting

Peter Sobol moved approval of the minutes of the January 2, 2008, Business Services Committee meeting. Jason McCutchin seconded and the motion carried.

- V. Presentation and Possible Approval to Purchase New Band Uniforms – Pat Dorn & Dr. Paul Brost

Dr. Paul Brost and Pat Dorn presented information and a proposal to the Committee for the purchase of 150 band uniforms and hats for the high school band students. They reported the present uniforms were purchased in 1974 and have been repaired multiple times. Three quotes were received and they are recommending purchasing the uniforms from The Band Shoppe in the amount of \$29,385.00. Financing was discussed with Dr. Brost and Pat Dorn recommending 1/3 of the cost comes from the high school budget, 1/3 comes from the district budget, and 1/3 to be raised through Booster Club fund raising.

Peter Sobol moved that the Committee recommend to the Board of Education approval of the purchase of band uniforms using district funding in the amount of \$20,000 (\$10,000 high school budget and \$10,000 district funds) for new band uniforms contingent upon the Booster Club showing evidence of adequate fund raising prior to placement of order. Susan Manning seconded. Motion carried.

The Booster Club will report back to the Business Services meeting in February with their fund raising progress.

VI. Update on the 2008-2009 District Capital Outlay Budget – Mark Scullion

Mark Scullion reviewed his proposed capital maintenance five-year budget. He reported he still is waiting for further information regarding the Coldsprings Avenue project and remodeling at Nichols to accommodate the Curriculum/Pupil Services area moves, as well as for SOAR, EXCEL, and the Alternative High School when they relocate to the Nichols building. Discussion was held regarding work scheduled for next year.

VII. Update on Taylor Prairie Roof – Mark Scullion

Mark Scullion gave an update on the on-going problems of ice damming (water leakage) with the Taylor Prairie School pitched/shingled portion of the roof. He stated it has been a problem since ice damage occurred to the roof during an ice storm in 2000. The insurance company provided a new roof due to hail damage last year. Mark will continue to meet with contractors to determine work that will be needed to correct the problems associated with the roof.

VIII. Discussion of Use of School Buildings on Sundays

Mark Scullion and Mary Ellen Van Valin reported they would like to implement a change in past practice of allowing use of district buildings (gymnasiums, common areas, etc) beginning July 1, 2008. They are proposing all buildings be closed on Sundays in light of future budget cuts, security issues, energy consumption and needed relief to our buildings and staff.

Committee members asked that administration bring back additional information regarding savings that could be realized if the district buildings were closed on Sundays, who uses the buildings (fee or no fee), and if buildings are being used by resident or non-resident groups.

IX. Update on the Preliminary 2008-2009 District Budget and Revenue Cap

Mary Ellen Van Valin presented “first-cut” preliminary revenue cap(s) and 2008-2009 budget projection reports that show the school district will be in a deficit budgetary position. The proposed budget including possible budget cuts will be presented to the Board of Education at a future meeting.

X. Confirm Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Business Services Committee will be on Wednesday, February 27, 2008, at Nichols School in the District Office Board Room.

XI. Adjournment

Peter Sobol moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jason McCutchin seconded and the motion carried.