

MINUTES: Meeting of the Monona Grove School District, Personnel & Policy Committee, held on Wednesday, February 20, 2008, in Cottage Grove School Distance Learning Center, Starting at 6:00P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike DuPlayee, Phil McDade, Susan Manning

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Jill List, Larry Miller

ADMINISTRATOR PRESENT: Bill Breisch

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I. Opening of Meeting – Mike DuPlayee opened the meeting at 6.05p.m.

II. Declaration of Public Notice – acknowledged

III. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2008

Phil McDade moved approval of the Personnel & Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2008. Jill List seconded and the motion carried. The minutes were approved as distributed.

IV. Public Appearances

Steve Wendorf, 6212 Wildflower, McFarland

V. Discussion and Possible Approval of Board Policy 453.61 – Life Threatening Allergy Policy – Lynn Hanson

Lynn Hanson presented information regarding a committee that was developed to create a policy to more effectively deal with Life Threatening Allergies (LTAs). The district has found an increasing number of students with LTAs.

Larry Miller moved approval of Board Policy 453.61 – Life Threatening Allergy as an administrative procedure. Phil McDade seconded. After discussion Mr. McDade stated he would like to explore tabling this. Mr. DuPlayee has asked that Ms. Hanson rework the policy and guidelines using the Wellness Policy as a backdrop. Ms. Hanson will rework the policy and bring it back to a future committee meeting.

Mike DuPlayee tabled the motion. Larry Miller seconded and the motion carried.

VI. Discussion of Animals in the Classroom Policy – Mark Scullion.

Mark Scullion explained the need for a policy. After discussion, Mr. Scullion was asked to bring back a policy next month formatted similar to the LTA policy request.

VII. Discussion and Possible Approval of Revisions to Board Rule 343.2 – Guidelines for Class Room Size

Bill Breisch, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, presented revisions to Board Rule 343.2. The proposed changes bring the ranges in line with the previous grades. Dr. Brost and Ms. McGinnis were in attendance and were asked to comment regarding how overloads are paid and the number of students that staff may see over the school day.

Susan Manning moved that because this is a financial situation this revision be referred to administration and prioritized in the list of other financial impact items to be considered by the board toward the budget deficit. Larry Miller seconded.

Phil McDade established some history of how the class size goal came to be. The goal exists to determine open enrollment acceptances and denials.

Susan Manning withdrew her motion. Larry Miller withdrew his second.

Phil McDade moved approval of revisions to Board Rule 343.2 - Guidelines for Class Room Size with the Class Size Goals only. Mike DuPlayee seconded and the motion carried.

VIII. Establish Date and Time of Next Meeting

March 26, 2008 at 6pm Nichols School Board Room.

IX. Adjournment

Phil McDade moved that the meeting be adjourned. Larry Miller seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.