

MANCELONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting
January 12, 2010

Present: Cook, Derrer, Harden, Musselman, Thompson
Absent: Nothstine, Ross
Central Office Staff: DiRosa, Moeke, Meeder
Administration: Clark, Culver, Naumcheff

Vice-President Derrer called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Middle School Media Center

Approval of Agenda

Derrer/Cook approve the agenda as presented

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Citizens Comments- no comments were made

Consent Agenda

Cook/Thompson to approve the consent agenda items: A) Minutes of the regular meeting held on December 8, 2009; B) Monthly Finance- approve accounts payable checks for the dates and amounts of: GENERAL FUND: 12/8/09- \$163,843.90; 12/22/09- \$35,138.99; 1/5/10- \$65,941.18; SINKING FUND: 12/8/09- \$1,376.29; 12/22/09- \$407.85; 1/5/10- \$831.22; C) Acknowledge letter of resignation from Tresa Henderson

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Correspondence- Superintendent DiRosa stated there was no correspondence to bring to the Board.

Committee Reports- Superintendent DiRosa said he will share a summary of the recent finance committee meeting during his report.

Principals'/Reports-

Elementary School Principal- Mr. Naumcheff announced he and staff are getting ready to implement the MiBLSi program. A group of staff will travel to Ludington January 22 for additional training. Mr. Naumcheff said elementary, middle school, high school and central office are working to compile data for the State's Title I Site Review.

Middle School Principal- Mr. Culver said students are taking AIMSweb assessments today and tomorrow. Preliminary results indicate many students are showing improvement. On January 25 staff will begin the pull-out program, identifying students needing academic help. Likely 18-20 students will be pulled out from Core Extension and work in *Study Island* in the 7/8 computer lab. A Mentoring Recognition luncheon is planned for January 25. The elementary/middle school district spelling bee will be held January 28. The 7/8 grade band will perform a pre-festival band concert February 8.

High School Principal- Mr. Clark pointed out the end of the first semester will be January 22. With that, staff will be looking at the status of student's credits. Snow Coming/Spirit Week begins February 1, concluding on the 6th with a dance and movie afterwards. The junior class will take the MME testing March 9-11. A trip to Toronto is planned for March 18-20. Some highlights planned include the Princess of Whales Theatre (where *Young Frankenstein* will be performed), the Ontario Science Centre, the Omni-Max Movie theatre, a ride on the subway and a visit to Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament. Forty-one students, grades 9-12, have signed up for the trip. Students will take picture identification and their birth certificates for the border crossings.

Superintendent's Report- Mr. DiRosa reported the finance committee met January 11th to discuss the current year's budget. Projections indicate the district will end the year \$90,000 in the red. Mr. DiRosa believes through efforts of the administration, teachers and the Board this figure could be reduced by the end of the year, as long as the State does not need a proration later in the year. The committee viewed a presentation of the budget for next year. The presentation will next be shown at each building and at the February board meeting. After viewing, staff members will be asked to fill out a twenty-five question Zoomerang survey, providing feedback about what cuts could look like. Negotiations to purchase a drivers education van are ongoing with two car dealers. The district has advertised for bids on the 1998 food service van. Superintendent DiRosa announced there will be two open board seats and an 18 mill renewal (for three years) on the ballot in May.

Citizens Comments on Action Items- no comments were made

Action Items

Harden/Thompson proceed with Regular School Election Resolution, election date May 4, 2010

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Harden/Cook approve trip to Toronto for high school students

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Thompson/Harden Adopt Service Consolidation Plan Resolution

Superintendent DiRosa said the State has given districts an opportunity to come up with a plan allowing the use of discretionary funds (At-Risk and Great Start Readiness Program) to supplement general fund. Adopting the resolution will give the district the flexibility up to \$165 per pupil.

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Items for Future Consideration- there was no discussion

Derrer/Musselman to adjourn at 4:53 p.m.

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Moeke, Recording Secretary

Kim Musselman, Secretary