

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

AUGUST 18, 2009

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held August 18, 2009, at Morton Education and Administration Center.

REGULAR MEETING -

Call to Order and Roll Call -

President Thomas Neeley called the regular meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Thomas Neeley, Mrs. Nancy Overcash, Mrs. Joyce Kaiser, Mr. John Appen, Mr. Clint Heinold, Mr. Noah Menold Mr. Doug Riddle

Reports –

Administrative –

Facilities Update –

The Board of Education viewed photographs of and reviewed the summer building projects. Dr. Kilpatrick complimented the maintenance staff on having the buildings ready for the students tomorrow.

Pumpkin Festival –

Dr. Kilpatrick reminded the Board members that along with the Administrators, they will be volunteering in the food tent at the Pumpkin Festival on Thursday, September 17, from 4:30 – 7:15.

Curriculum Review – Elementary –

Dr. Kilpatrick explained that as part of staying compliant with Board policy, the administration will report yearly on the process for curriculum renewal. He used the School Improvement Plan from Jefferson School and the Curriculum Guides as examples to explain the curriculum renewal process. He has a target for this school year to make sure that the School Improvement plans are being used throughout the year by each building. He will review the Jr. High and High School curriculum at future meetings.

Mr. Smock noted that the K-6 Science curriculum is not yet included in the curriculum guides. The committee worked during the summer on the science curriculum after the purchase of the new Science textbooks. The revised curriculum now has to go through the approval process with CAC and the Board of Education.

Textbook and Instructional Materials Report –

Dr. Kilpatrick reported that in staying in compliance with Board policy, he has provided the Board of Education with a list of textbooks currently being used by the elementary, jr. high and high schools. Mr. Neeley expressed his appreciation to Dr. Kilpatrick for the work involved in compiling the lists.

Freedom of Information Requests –

Dr. Kilpatrick reported that no Freedom of Information requests have been received since last reported.

President's Report –

Mr. Neeley reminded Board members of the all-staff luncheon at the high school tomorrow hosted by the Administrators. He also invited them to stay for the speaker following lunch. The book authored by the speaker, "What Great Teachers Do Differently" will be distributed by Board members to teachers following the presentation.

Action Items –**Second Reading and Adoption – Various Policies from Sections 1, 4, 5, 6 & 7 –**

Dr. Kilpatrick reported that a revision of policies 1:30, 4:55, 4:130, 4:170, 5:35, 5:310 6:60 and 7:250 is being recommended in order to update our policies to current practice related to review and advice from legal counsel. The recommendations for revisions are being presented by the Administration to the Board of Education for a second reading and adoption.

Motion by Mr. Riddle, second by Mrs. Kaiser, that the Board of Education conduct a Second Reading of the selected Board Policies from sections 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and adopt those policies as presented and revised.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea 7

Nay 0

Motion carried.

Second Reading and Adoption – Policy 5:135 and 7:315 –

Dr. Kilpatrick reported that original drafts of policies 5:135 and 7:315 relating to Web 2.0 technologies were reviewed during the April 7 board policy meeting and revisions were brought to the Board for discussion at the August 4, 2009, Board of Education meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Kaiser, second by Mr. Heinold, that the Board of Education conduct a Second Reading of the Board Policies 5:135 and 7:315 and adopt those policies as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda –

Motion by Mr. Heinold, second by Mrs. Overcash, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Approve Bills and Payroll

	Bills 8-7-09	Payroll 8-14-09
Ed. Fund	\$72,028.58	\$352,667.67
Bldg. Fund	55,836.20	49,597.89
Trans.Fund	5,246.86	3,496.85
Payroll Accts. Pay.	--	245,313.82
Fire & Safety	--	--

Approve Administrative Salary

Closed Session –

Motion by Mr. Appen, second by Mrs. Kaiser, that the Board of Education enter into closed session for consideration of appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of employees, student discipline, purchase of property, litigation and/or negotiations.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 7:25 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Menold, second by Mrs. Kaiser that the Board of Education return to regular session.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The board returned to regular session at 8:55 p.m.

Approve Personnel Report –

Motion by Mr. Riddle, second by Mr. Menold to approve the personnel report as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 6 Abstain 1 Nay 0

Motion carried.

Administrative Reports –

Mr. Smock reported that the Red and White Scrimmage night is to be held at the high school on Friday, August 21. Board Members will be introduced at the event.

Adjournment -

Motion by Mr. Appen, second by Mrs. Overcash, that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Kaiser, Secretary

Thomas Neeley, President

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

PERSONNEL REPORT

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I. CERTIFIED STAFF

A. RESIGNATIONS

B. VOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

1. **Pam Everetts** – from part time Title I teacher at Grundy School to full time Title I teacher at Grundy School.

C. INVOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

D. APPOINTMENTS

1. **Substitute Teacher List** (Attached)
2. **Amber Roberts** – Title I After School Program Coordinator at Morton Jr. High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.

E. REHIRES

F. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

G. RETIREMENT

H. DISMISSALS

II. EXTRA-DUTY

A. RESIGNATIONS

1. **Chris Garner** – resigned from his position as co-webmaster at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.

B. APPOINTMENTS

1. **Dawn Block** – Co-Special Education Department Chairperson at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
2. **Marcia Mays** – Co-Special Education Department Chairperson at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
3. **Scott Lynn** – Science Department Chairperson at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
4. **Kristi McKinley** – Freshman Girls Volleyball Coach at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
5. **Emily Kelone** – 11th grade Class Sponsor at Morton High School effective for the 2009- 2010 school year.
6. **Terri Schuck** – Co-Webmaster at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
7. **Kristen Schick** – Cheerleading Sponsor at Morton Jr. High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.

C. SUSPENSION

D. DISMISSALS

III. SUPPORT STAFF

A. RESIGNATIONS

1. **Tricia Gale** – resigned from her position as part time instructional aide at Lincoln School effective August 7, 2009.
2. **Elizabeth Mikos** – resigned from her position as part time RtI Aide at Grundy School effective August 10, 2009.
3. **Laura Herrmann** – resigned from her position as part time special education instructional aide at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.

B. VOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

1. **David Keen** – from 3rd shift custodian at Morton High School to 2nd shift custodian at Jefferson School effective August 19, 2009.

C. INVOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

D. APPOINTMENTS

1. **Kim Loseke** – part time Special Education instructional aide at Schramm School for a Morton Student effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
2. **Tim Cole** – 2nd shift custodian at Grundy School effective August 19, 2009.
3. **Michelle Hale** – crossing guard at Lincoln School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
4. **Substitute Aide List** (Attached)
5. **Elise Pflederer** – part time Special Education instructional aide at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
6. **Alaina Veskauf** – full time Library Aide at Morton High School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
7. **Amanda Derrick** – part time RtI Aide at Grundy School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
8. **Sara Stejskal** – part time Class Size/Class Load and Title I instructional aide at Grundy School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.
9. **Kari Benefiel** – part time Special Education instructional aide at Grundy School effective for the 2009-2010 school year.

E. REHIRES

1. **Kristi Hill** – part time special education instructional aide at Lincoln School for the 2009-2010 school year.

F. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

G. RETIREMENTS

H. DISMISSALS