

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

June 23, 2009

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held June 23, 2009, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

REGULAR MEETING-

Call to Order and Roll Call-

President Tom Neeley called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Discussion Items-

Textbooks for Dual Credit Courses –

Mr. Johnson distributed a handout with a recommendation for two proposed textbooks for Expository Writing, *Concise Guide to Writing* and *The Little Penguin Handbook*. These textbooks are for dual credit and are the textbooks ICC requires that we purchase. The textbooks will be on display for 30 days at the Morton Library. ICC does provide us with funds that we use to purchase the textbooks and offset the cost.

Facilities Plan –

Dr. Kilpatrick reviewed the timeline for the facilities study. The summer will be used to contact community members to form a main core group and review with them information that has already been assembled. Dr. Kilpatrick will chair the core group. In September or early October the core group will define the charge for the sub groups. Possible sub groups would include communication, survey, finance, and community collaboration. Dr. Kilpatrick currently has about 75 names of possible core and sub group members and asked for Board Members to inform him of anyone they know that would possibly serve. Each group would have Board representation. Carol Jankowski has volunteered to head the communication sub group and it was suggested that Board Members compile a list of questions and concerns that they are hearing from the community. Mrs. Jankowski will research and verify those questions and report to the Board. In October or early November the Survey sub group will begin working on a district wide survey to get an idea of what the community supports. Ways to address the current space needs immediately were discussed, including renting mobile units.

In addition to looking at the long term concerns and our space requirements on a short term basis the board was informed of current summer projects, renovation or maintenance needs and Life Safety work.

Consent Agenda-

Motion by Mr. Applen, second by Mr. Riddle that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as follows after removing Consent Agenda Item D – High School Electronic Security Access System. The Board would like to discuss the security system further before making a final decision:

Approval of Payroll and Bills

	Bills 6-12-09	Payroll 6-5-09	Payroll 6-19-09
Ed.Fund	\$178,971.21	\$420,942.23	\$398,833.29
Bldg.Fund	27,954.45	35,046.20	45,897.56
Trans.Fund	22,360.59	13,324.65	9,613.79
Payroll Accts. Pay.	--	339,371.93	332,255.59

Approve Administrative and Support Staff Salaries
 Approve Main Network Switch

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mrs. Overcash, second by Mr. Riddle, that the Board of Education votes to table Consent Agenda Item D at this time for more information and further discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mrs. Kaiser, second by Mr. Applen, to enter into closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of employees, student discipline and/or negotiations.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion Carried. The board entered closed session at 8:14 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 9:07 p.m.

Action Items

Approve Personnel Report -

Motion by Mrs. Kaiser, second by Mr. Applen, that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion Carried.

Adjournment -

Motion by Mr. Riddle, second by Mr. Applen, that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call Vote: Yea: 7 Nay: 0

Motion Carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce E. Kaiser, Secretary

Thomas M. Neeley, President