

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Amber Karkosky, Mentone United Methodist Church, led devotions.

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Wise and revealed all members present; along with Brett Boggs, Superintendent; Dr. Daniel Kramer, Assistant Superintendent; Sherri Adamson, recording secretary and student representatives Brody Cook and Courtney Newsome.

Mr. Wise announced the upcoming meetings: September 26-27, 2011, ISBA Fall Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana; October 10, 2011, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.; November 14, 2011, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.; and December 12, 2011, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

During Spotlight on Valley, Mr. Boggs recognized Courtney Newsome, TVHS Junior, School Board Student Representative; TVHS Distinguished Alumni – Class of 2011; corporation-wide reading initiative “Fill Death Valley with Books”.

Bryan Murphy made a motion to approve the consent agenda, as follows: approved the minutes of the following meetings: August 2, 2011, Budget Workshop; August 6, 2011, executive session; August 8, 2011, regular meeting & executive session; September 1, 2011, Budget Hearing & executive session; approved hiring the following personnel: Lindsey Brouyette and Maria Collins, Instructional Assistants, TVMS; Valerie Drudge, Teacher, Mentone; Aaron Engbrecht, Teacher, TVHS; Douglas Makula, Teacher, TVHS; April Halterman, Selena Johnston, Daniel Ramsey, Heather Shriver, and Amanda Slater, Instructional Assistant, Mentone; Jayme Hargrove, School Nurse, TVMS; Jon Hutton, Graduation Coach, TVHS; accepted the following resignations: Heidi Baker, Instructional Assistant, Mentone; Holly Egolf, School Bus Driver; Brian Harshman, Assistant Football, TVMS; Brigitte Lindeman, Grade 6 Volleyball, TVMS; Diana Scherzer, School Nurse, TVMS; Jessica Stiffler, Cheerleading Coach, TVMS; and Lorene Teel, Assistant Track, TVMS; approved the following extra curricular assignments: Lindsey Brouyette and Holly Vogel, Grade 6 Volleyball, TVMS; Kristen Ekhoft, National Honor Society Sponsor, TVHS; Kyle Howard, Assistant Football, TVMS; Sandra Inglehearn, Cross Country Coach, TVMS; Sara Thomas, Cheerleading Coach, TVMS; and June Yazel, Department Head, English, TVHS; approved School Improvement Plans; adopted Resolution for Appointment of Corporation Representative in the Small Claims Division of Kosciusko County Court; and approved Classified Salaries and Administrative Salaries and Contracts for 2011-2012 School Year. Hal Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed claims and payroll (Exhibit A) and asked for approval. Rod Eaton made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, as presented. Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Patron Chris Moorehouse asked if the School Improvement Plans approved at tonight's meeting were to address the “F” rating assigned to the middle school by the Indiana Department of Education. Mr. Boggs indicated the Plans were a requirement by the state and the principal at the middle school, Mr. Earl Richter, could review that plan with her.

Steve Bluhm, Performance Services, updated the Board on the progress of the Wind Power Project indicating stress tests on the second pour of concrete are successful and ground assembly of the turbine will begin soon.

With regards to the Capital Project Fund Plan, Mr. Wise stated, “The Hearing as required by law on the Capital Projects Fund Plan was held on September 1, 2011, and the purpose of this portion of this meeting was to adopt the Capital Projects Fund Plan.” He then called upon Dr. Kramer to present Proof of Publication of the Notice to Taxpayers of Capital Projects Plan (Exhibit A & B). After Dr. Kramer presented the necessary exhibits, Mr. Wise entertained a motion made by Mr. O'Brien and seconded by Mr. Murphy to make the exhibits a part of the minutes of the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wise called upon Dr. Kramer to read the Resolution to Adopt a Plan for a Capital Projects Fund. After Dr. Kramer reviewed the resolution, Mr. Wise entertained a motion, made by Mr. Hoffman, to adopt the Resolution to Adopt a Plan for Capital Projects Fund (Exhibit C) and to publish a Notice to Taxpayers of Adoption of Capital Projects Fund Plan (Exhibit D). Mr. Eaton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

With regards to the School Bus Replacement Plan, Mr. Wise stated, "The Hearing as required by law on the School Bus Replacement Plan was held on September 1, 2011, and the purpose of this portion of this meeting was to adopt the School Bus Replacement Plan (Exhibit E)." He then called upon Dr. Kramer to present Proof of Publication of the Notice to Taxpayers of Capital Projects Plan (Exhibit A & B). After Dr. Kramer presented the necessary exhibits, Mr. Wise entertained a motion made by Mr. O'Brien and seconded by Mr. Eaton to make the exhibits a part of the minutes of the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wise called upon Dr. Kramer to read the Resolution to Adopt the Year 2012 Bus Replacement Plan. After Dr. Kramer reviewed the resolution, Mr. Murphy made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Adopt the Year 2011 Bus Replacement Plan (Exhibit F). Mr. Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

With regards to the Budget Adoption, Mr. Wise stated, "The Hearing as required by law on the Budget and tax rates was held on September 1, 2011, and the purpose of this portion of this meeting was to adopt the Budget." He then called upon Dr. Kramer to present Proof of Publication of the Notice to Taxpayers of Capital Projects Plan (Exhibit A & B). After Dr. Kramer presented the necessary exhibits, Mr. Wise entertained a motion made by Mr. Hoffman and seconded by Mr. Murphy to make the exhibits a part of the minutes of the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wise called upon Dr. Kramer to read the Resolution of Appropriations (Budget Form 4, Exhibit G) and Resolution of Tax Rates (Budget Form 5, Exhibit H). After Dr. Kramer reviewed the exhibits, Mr. Wise entertained a motion, made by Mr. O'Brien, to adopt the Resolution of Appropriations and Resolution of Tax Rates. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Eaton made a motion to adopt the Blanket Resolution to Reduce Appropriations. Mr. Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

In other new business, Mr. Boggs reported the unofficial enrollment at 2063 for the 2011-2012 school year with 48 of those students being non-resident transfers.

Mrs. Moorehouse and Chasity Osbourne shared their concerns with issues at the high school and middle school. Mr. Boggs asked to address those concerns with the building administrators. He also asked to meet with the parents to review the Annual Yearly Progress report that was recently posted by the Department of Education.

Brody Cook, student representative, reported on the recent blood drive at the high school, upcoming plans for homecoming, FFA National Convention in Indianapolis, and recent TRC cross country meet.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mark Wise, President

Rod Eaton, Vice President

Hal Hoffman, Secretary

Bryan Murphy, Member

Dave O'Brien, Member