

Maywood Public School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2014

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Lyle Koester with the following Board members present: David Dodson, Sheri Hartley, Lyle Koester, Donita Werkmeister, and Brett Wood. Others in attendance were Superintendent Mike Williams, Principal Trent Benjamin, staff, and patrons.

Dodson moved and Hartley a motion to excuse Lance Hastings from the January regular Board of Education meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Hartley moved and Wood seconded the nomination of Lyle Koester as Board President for 2014. Dodson moved that nominations cease. The motion passed 4-0-1 (voting yes – Dodson, Hartley, Werkmeister, Wood; Abstaining – Koester).

Hartley moved for the nomination of David Dodson, while Wood moved for the nomination of Sheri Hartley as Board Vice-President for 2014. Werkmeister moved that nominations cease. Voting for Dodson (Hartley); voting for Hartley (Dodson, Koester, Werkmeister, Wood).

Koester moved and Dodson seconded the nomination of Donita Werkmeister as Board Secretary for 2014. Hartley moved that nominations cease. The motion passed 5-0.

Koester moved and Dodson the nomination of Brett Wood as Board Treasurer for 2014. Koester moved that nominations cease. The motion passed 5-0.

Board President Koester identified the following committees and their appointed members for 2014: Americanism/School Improvement – Hartley, Werkmeister, Wood; Building & Grounds – Hastings and Wood; Growth & Expansion – Dodson, Hastings, Koester; Negotiations – Hartley, Hastings, Werkmeister; Transportation – Dodson and Wood.

No patrons spoke during Community Input. The Board did confirm their intent to change the Board Meeting Protocol that calls for Community Input to occur four times a year, with the schedule to be January, April, July, and October.

Dodson moved and Wood seconded a motion to accept the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

Dodson moved and Werkmeister seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2013, regular Board of Education Meeting as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

Werkmeister moved and Koester seconded a motion to pay the bills, as presented, in the amount of \$56,021.46. The motion passed 5-0.

Dodson moved and Hartley seconded a motion to pay the payroll, as presented, in the amount of \$168,485.83. The motion passed 5-0.

Koester moved and Wood seconded a motion to accept the financial reports as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

Principal Benjamin reported on technology, assessment testing dates, upcoming activities and events, and gave an A-Team update which showed that the number of students receiving D's and F's as grades has reduced. It is a good start to this program and it will be interesting to watch its progress as the 2nd semester approaches.

Superintendent Williams reported on a K-8 technology improvement plan, administrative negotiations, Board policies, the February meeting, buildings and grounds, professional development, a boys' tennis cooperative with McCook, Board election filing dates, and a legislative update.

Werkmeister moved and Dodson seconded a motion to implement the K-8 Technology Plan, which includes technology purchases in the amount of \$32,950.00, as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

Dodson moved and Hartley seconded a motion to recognize the Maywood Education Association as the sole agent for collective bargaining with the teachers for the 2015-16 school year. The motion passed 5-0.

Werkmeister moved and Hartley seconded a motion to move into Executive Session at 8:04 p.m. for review of the superintendent's evaluation to avoid needless harm to a person's reputation, and administrative salary negotiation strategy for the protection of the public interest. The motion passed 5-0.

President Koester restated that the purpose of entering Executive Session was for review of the superintendent's evaluation to avoid needless harm to a person's reputation, and administrative salary negotiation strategy for the protection of the public interest. These are the only items that will be discussed.

Werkmeister moved and Wood seconded a motion to return to regular session of the January Board meeting at 9:41 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Koester moved and Dodson seconded a motion to adjourn the January 13, 2014, regular Board of Education Meeting at 9:42 p.m., and set the next regular Board of Education meeting for Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Williams
Superintendent