Minutes of the Madison-Plains Board of Education Meeting

Held Tuesday, December 13, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

The Madison-Plains Board of Education met this date for the Regular Meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Linda Blankenship, Board President.

Roll Call

The following members answered roll call:

Linda Blankenship	Present	Bernie Hall, Superintendent	Present
Dave Hunter	Present	Tim Dettwiller, Treasurer	Present
Michael Brandt	Present		
Don Swonger	Present		
Ken Morlock	Present		

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Communication

11-260 Motion by Mr. Swonger, seconded by Mr. Hunter to move the Board Work Session to the end of the meeting, prior to Executive Session.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Navs: None Motion carried.

11-261 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that the minutes of the meeting(s) of November 9, 2011 be approved as written.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-262 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Swonger that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the November 2011 financial statements be accepted, as presented.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Nays: None

Motion carried.

11-263 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Morlock that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board approve the transfer of \$43,875 from the General Fund to the 024 Employee Benefits Fund. This transfer is to pay the Board's \$325.00 contribution to each employees Flexible Spending Account as required by the negotiated agreement.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-264 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Morlock that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board authorize the Treasurer to payoff the COPS Note in the amount of \$2,157,750 (estimate). This note was taken out in December 2010 to partially finance the new facility project.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-265 Motion by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the 1st reading of the following Board Policy Updates (*required policies):

BDDF-E – Voting Method

CBC – Superintendent's Contract

JFG – Search and Seizure

*JN – Student Fees, Fines and Charges

*EFF – Food Sale Standards

*GBQ – Criminal Record Check

IIAA – Textbook Selection and Adoption

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*IGBB – Programs for Gifted and Talented Students JK – Employment of Students

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-266 Motion by Mr. Morlock, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the addition of the following to the substitute aide list for the 2011-2012 school year:

Lynda Junk Cindy Mace

Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Ayes:

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-267 Motion by Mr. Morlock, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the addition of the following to the substitute cook list for the 2011-2012 school year:

Lynda Junk Cindy Mace Deb Richards Pam Dennison

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Navs: None Motion carried.

11-268 Motion by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board employ Brian Garrett on a 169 day contract as Custodian, Step 0, effective November 7, 2011.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-269 Motion by Mr. Morlock, seconded by Mr. Swonger that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board employ Elizabeth Riggle on a 134 day contract as Bus Driver, Step 0, effective November 7, 2011.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-270 Motion by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board employ Steve Chaney as a substitute bus driver, effective December 16, 2011.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Nays: None Vote:

Motion carried.

11-271 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the reinstatement from reduction-in-force of Laura Vallery on a 1 year contract as Cook Helper, Step 4, effective August 23, 2011.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-272 Motion by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the reinstatement from reduction-in-force of Diane Hane on a 2 year contract as Aide, Step 4, effective December 1, 2011.

Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock Vote:

Nays: None Motion carried.

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11-273 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Swonger that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accept the resignation of Derek Scoles as Choir Director, effective November 17, 2011.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-274 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the following academic supplemental nominations, to be paid in accordance with the MPEA negotiated contract, effective 2011-2012 school year:

Betsy Ames Spelling Bee Advisor – Grade 5 Stefanie Kellenberger Spelling Bee Advisor – Grade 6

Derek Scoles Choir Director (contract to be split 50/50) Kylie Ogg Choir Director (contract to be split 50/50)

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-275 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Morlock that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accept the resignation of Mike Datz as Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach, effective December 13, 2011.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-276 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accept the resignation of Ashley Muska as 7th and 8th Grade Basketball Cheerleading Advisor, effective November 9, 2011.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-277 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Morlock that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the following athletic supplemental nominations, to be paid in accordance with the MPEA negotiated contract, effective 2011-2012 school year:

Mike Datz Volunteer Wrestling Coach

Michael Browning
Leanndra Yates
Volunteer 7th and 8th Grade Basketball Coach
7th Grade Basketball Cheerleading Advisor
Leanndra Yates
Kendra Hatfield
Volunteer 7th and 8th Grade Basketball Cheerleading Advisor
Freshman Basketball Cheerleading Advisor

Ryan Browning Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach

Mike Siders Reserve Wrestling Coach

Zachary Durban 7th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach Chris Laslo 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach

Kiersten Isaacs Reserve Softball Coach

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-278 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accept the following donations:

Donor	Account/Department
Jeanne Wilt	Athletics
Morlock Family	Dual Enrollment
Walmart	JH Principal Fund
	Jeanne Wilt Morlock Family

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\$20.00 MaryLou Shoemaker In Memory of Beverly Ann Connell Johnston

\$159.51 Kroger High School Principal Account

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger

Nays: None Abstain: Mr. Morlock Motion carried.

11-279 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Morlock that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accept the following grants:

Amount	Grant	Recipient Property of the Recipient
\$275.00	The Columbus Foundation	Shannon Christian, PE
\$500.00	The Columbus Foundation	Brian Knowles
\$243.00	The Columbus Foundation	Corinne Brewster
\$388.00	The Columbus Foundation	Diane Halloran
\$300.00	The Columbus Foundation	Sharie Shoaf

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-280 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Swonger that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board recognize that Kara Reninger has met the graduation requirements for Madison-Plains Local Schools and the State of Ohio and grant her High School diploma.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-281 Motion by Mr. Morlock, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board recognize that Cameron Whiteside has met the graduation requirements for Madison-Plains Local Schools and the State of Ohio and grant his High School diploma.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-282 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board authorize travel to Orlando, Florida for the Madison-Plains High School Marching Band, Grades 7-12, for the purpose of observing professional musicians, experiencing different musical cultures and performing in the unique and special venue of Walt Disney World. All travel expenses will be paid through student payments. The trip will take place December 27-31, 2012. There are no financial obligations to the Board.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-283 Motion by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Hunter that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve reimbursement-in-lieu-of-transportation, for Caleb and Timothy Sullivan to Grove City Christian School at a rate established by state guidelines, for the 2011-2012 school year.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

11-284 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer and Superintendent, the following resolution opposing House Bill 136 be approved, as presented.

WHEREAS, the Ohio House of Representative is currently considering legislation that would significantly expand the availability of vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools; and

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WHEREAS, this legislation would grant vouchers to any public school student in Ohio to request and be granted a voucher, subject only to a family income standard of \$95,000 or less; and

WHEREAS, such vouchers would be granted without regard to the academic performance of the public school that the student is assigned to attend; and

WHEREAS, the bill provides that students already enrolled in private or parochial schools would be eligible for such vouchers; and

WHEREAS, students receiving vouchers would be able to retain any excess funds in those instances where the cost of tuition is less than the value of the voucher for use in any private school or college in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the proposed program would take dollars directly from the already financially beleaguered local public school districts resulting in fewer resources for the education of the remaining students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Madison-Plains Board of Education does hereby express its opposition to this legislation, HB 136 School Choice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Madison-Plains Board of Education expresses its opposition to any legislation that seeks to transfer public dollars to support private education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio House of Representatives

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock

Nays: None Motion carried.

Board Work Session

- 1. Dave Hunter
 - a. Dress Code Issues
 - b. Security Lighting at High School
- 2. Don Swonger
 - a. Need for a Strategic Plan

11-285 Motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brandt that the Board adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Vote: Ayes: Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Swonger, Mr. Morlock
Nays: None
Motion carried.

Signed

Upcoming Board Meeting(s):

Attest To

Regular Meeting: January 10, 2012 7:00 pm