

# MINUTES OF MEETING

## MOORESVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION SCHOOL BOARD

October 7, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation was held in the Education Center Auditorium, 11 W. Carlisle Street, on Tuesday, October 7, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. The Chairman after calling the meeting to order noted the presence of the following: Dr. Bill Roberson, Mr. Perry King, Mr. Dave Oberle, Mr. Mark Meadows and Mr. Randy Davis. The Chairman noting the presence of a quorum declared the meeting duly constituted.

Dr. Roberson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Marcotte introduced Mr. Warren DuBois, Principal at Waverly Elementary, and Mrs. Sonya Cox, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Waverly Elementary. Mr. DuBois thanked the parents of Mrs. Cox's class for allowing the students to participate in the board meeting tonight. He stated Mrs. Cox has a passion for math and has been published with some of her creativity in math. Mrs. Cox stated she was looking for something to encourage her students to go further in math and found a website called Son Dog which goes up to 8<sup>th</sup> grade algebra. She stated as of last week the website was aligned with the Indiana Colleges and Career Readiness Standards. She introduced students Mitch Meadows and Lilly Wymer who explained that students compete in a game and earn coins by beating the games. Students were entered into several contests. Waverly received 1<sup>st</sup> place out of 27 schools in the West Central Math Contest with a score of 801 and 440 was the closest score to Waverly's. Mrs. Cox's students also placed 5<sup>th</sup> out of 2037 schools in the national contest with a score of 798. There were several Waverly students in the Top 10 which included: Hannah M., Isabella M., Mason W., Jady H., and Madison E. The students participated at home and at school. The scores for the team are an average of the team's scores and there has to be ten or more students playing at once. Mr. Marcotte then introduced Mr. Disney, Principal at Mooresville High School. Mr. Marcotte stated he had been involved in a lot of homecomings over the years, but had not seen festivities to the extent of Mooresville's which were amazing! Mr. Disney stated homecoming is a joint venture between the Athletic Department and Student Council. Marsha Green, Athletic Department; Mrs. Goddard, Student Council Sponsor; Mrs. Owens, Student Council Sponsor; Mrs. Selby, Spirit Week Activity Organizer; Luke Clair-Ficko, Student Body President; and Ashley Kelley, Student Body Vice-President were recognized. Ashley stated the students were allowed to duct tape the choir teacher to the goal post. Luke stated there were different themes throughout the week and the students dressed according to the themes. Friday included a pep session, parade, and we won the game which was fantastic! He stated the student activities went really well and Mr. Marcotte stated this could not have been done without a lot of people's hard work.

The first item on the agenda was the Consent Agenda.

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### **Approval of Board Minutes of September 9, 2014**

##### **Personnel**

Approval of Personnel Report #10-14 (Attached)

- Certified
- Support Staff
- ECA

##### **Claims**

Payroll – August 29, 2014 (Exception), September 12, 2014 & September 26, 2014

Claim Nos: Exception – (34753) – 19 – (34754) – 20 (34804) – Exception (34987)

Warrant Nos: 101027-101063 DD# 115597-116147  
101064-101073 DD# 116148-116720

Vendors – October 9, 2014

Claim Nos: 34740-34984

Warrant Nos: 15172-15384

##### **Support Staff Salary Schedule Revision**

- Part-Time Employees – Personal Days

##### **Proclamation of Employee Recognition Days**

**Donations**

- Greg Hubler Chevrolet, \$100.00 for Waverly Student Council

**Out-of-State Field Trips**

- High School Business Professionals of America to Chicago, IL – February 27, 2015 – March 1, 2015
- Business Classes to Chicago, IL – November 14, 2014

**Overnight Field Trips**

- Newby Guys Read Lock-In – January 9, 2015
- Newby 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to Bradford Woods – April 13-15, 2015

**Sunday Facility Request**

- Mafia Sports Corporation – Softball Fields

Dr. Roberson pointed out the \$100.00 donation from Greg Hubler Chevrolet and the Proclamation of Employee Days that were listed on the Consent Agenda. Dr. Roberson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Meadows. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Taylor stated Form 3 for the 2015 Budget, 2015-16-17 CPF Plan, 2015-2026 School Bus Replacement Plan had been advertised on August 21 and August 28 in the local paper and it had been announced at the last board meeting that the budget would be adopted tonight. He stated approval includes the following resolutions: Tax Neutrality, Pension Bonds Levy Reduction; Adoption of the 2015-2016-2017 CPF Plan, Adoption of the 2015-2026 Bus Replacement Plan, Reduction to lines 1 & 2 if needed at DLGF hearing, Transfer CPF Interest to the General Fund, and permission to advertise the CPF Notice of Adoption on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. He asked the board for approval. Dr. Roberson made a motion to approve all resolutions for the 2015 Budget, 2015-16-17 CPF Plan, 2015-2026 School Bus Replacement Plan and advertisement of the CPF Plan, seconded by Mr. Meadows. Motion carried 5-0. Dr. Roberson stated the board is not raising taxes again this year for the fifth year in a row.

Mr. Marcotte stated we are moving forward with replacing the grass on the football field and running track with synthetic turf using the Design Build Process. He stated committees have been organized and we are ready to move forward. Dr. Roberson stated the corporation saved \$4,000,000 in soft costs on the high school project due to using the Design Build Process. He explained by saving in soft costs, this is money that can go back into the project and saves the taxpayers money. He further explained that hard costs are what you get out of construction. Mr. Meadows asked if the agreement had been signed by Franciscan St. Francis and Mr. Marcotte stated yes which is \$75,000 per year for three years with a confirmation of an additional three years at \$75,000 for a total of \$450,000. Mr. Marcotte stated the understanding is that the turf project will cost around \$650,000 - \$700,000, but will actually be around \$1,000,000 due to adding ADA compliancy, drainage, etc. The money will be coming out of athletics in the general fund. Mr. Taylor stated 5% of CPF money may be used for athletics. He stated we are within that 5% and recurring costs will at least make up the money due to less maintenance. Mr. Meadows does not want other sports to suffer and wanted to make sure that in three or four years, taxes would not be raised. Dr. Roberson stated taxes will not be raised in the future to provide for this project. Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the Design Build Process for the high school turf project, seconded by Mr. King. Motion carried 5-0.

The next item on the agenda was the re-appointment of Lynn Adams to the Library Board. Mr. Marcotte stated the corporation has three seats on the Library Board and the Library is asking that Lynn Adams be reappointed. Mr. King made a motion to reappoint Lynn Adams to the Library Board, seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion carried 5-0. Mrs. Huerkamp stated the three school appointments are doing a wonderful job.

Mr. Williams, Food Service Director, asked the board for permission to join the West Indianapolis Purchasing Cooperative. Mr. Williams explained the following benefits:

- Improvement of procurement activities.
- Enable getting supplies better.
- Ability to go out to bid together and increase buying power.
- Ability to go out to vendors and get more aggressive pricing.
- West Indy a newer co-op.
- Mooresville will be a seat on the board along with Decatur, Wayne Township, Roncalli High School and Lawrence Township Schools.

Mr. Williams stated we would need authorization to put our bid together for milk, dairy, food, and supplies. He stated Mooresville purchased 485,000 cartons of milk last year and the co-op used 5,000,000. He stated Mooresville would have saved approximately \$58,000 on milk if we had been a member this year. He also stated there is a cost of \$1.25 per student, but we do get some rebates back by being a member. Mr. Davis

made a motion to approve joining the West Indianapolis Purchasing Cooperative, seconded by Mr. Oberle. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Disney presented the board with a proposal to reestablish agriculture sciences at Mooresville High School. He stated students have asked if Ag could be reinstated at the high school. He also stated the high school administration has met with the State DOE's Ag representative, have talked to three schools (Beech Grove, Danville, and Franklin) that currently have Ag Programs, and have had discussions with Mr. Marcotte and Mrs. Frye to restart the program. Mr. Disney and Mrs. Perkins explained the following:

- There are 300 different careers in Ag.
- In the Agricultural Education National Model, there are three circles and it is important to have all three working well and one not dominating the other:
  - FFA
  - Instruction
  - SAE
- Instructionally, there are different pathways, but all start off with the same course:
  - Animal Science
  - Food Science
  - Natural Resources
  - Plants and Soils
- Some schools have 8<sup>th</sup> graders take Ag all year.
- There are dual credit opportunities for students.
- SAE happens during the summer which allows the students an opportunity to focus in an area.
  - Fully funded just like every other summer school course in the state.
- The facilities area would be turned back into the Ag area and already has a greenhouse.
- There are a lot of opportunities for community partnerships throughout the state.
- Teachers work year-round.
- Grant opportunities.
- FFA has over 500,000 members nationwide.
- Area 31 has agreed to list in their program that Mooresville is offering Ag in order to let other students know we are offering the program.
- Timeline – need to get the posting out for a teacher in order to get the best.
  - Purdue Ag will be contacted for posting.
  - Open the position to other teachers.
- Student surveys will be sent out in November.
- A community meeting will be held.
- Students will be scheduled in the spring.
- Summer of 2015 – work on SAE.
- August 2015 – full implementation.

Dr. Roberson stated this is a great program. Mr. Davis asked about getting the Ag building ready. Mr. Marcotte stated the Tech Department is on the south side of the building and stated the Maintenance Department is being moved out which leaves the garage area and main work area. The back is the parts area which would be a classroom. Significant cost to move back is not anticipated. Mr. Marcotte stated the funding piece is important and stated Intro to Ag would be reimbursed at \$250 per student, but Plant and Soil Sciences would be reimbursed at \$450 per student. He stated our CTE has grown and we will be reimbursed \$150,000 more than last year. The total is over \$500,000 due to students taking courses. He also stated the concern is getting the right person to run the program. Mr. Marcotte stated if approved tonight to reinstate the Ag Program, the posting would go out on Wednesday. He stated having the opportunity to start the program from the ground up would be thrilling. Mr. Oberle approved reinstating the Ag Program, seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Marcotte presented the board with enrollment numbers for 2014-2015. He stated we have 4,265.5 students that were counted on ADM day and the middle school and elementary schools have a decline of 100 students. He also stated there will be another count day in February and students were lost during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of last year due to not having the Alternative Program. Dr. Roberson stated if we did not have the transfers in, we would be way down. He stated colleagues in the area have stated their counts are down also.

Mr. Marcotte stated we are an “A” district again designated by the Indiana Department of Education which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row for the A. He stated there were 5 “A’s” and 2 “B’s”. Mr. Marcotte stated Mrs. Frye will give a very detailed report at the October board meeting.

Mr. Williams presented the board with a Food Service presentation. He presented the following:

- Food Service has 45 department members.
- 75% of all food service staff members work less than 30 hours per week.
- Six cafeteria managers and two of the six are new this year.
- We primarily operate the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP).
- Mooresville's Breakfast Program:
  - Served 92,365 federally reimbursed breakfast meals last school year.
  - \$142,827 received in federal reimbursement.
- Mooresville's Lunch Program:
  - Served 405,345 federally reimbursed lunch meals last school year.
  - \$699,195 received in federal reimbursement.
- 6 Cents Certification:
  - Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, School Food Authorities stated certifying their menus with the USDA to be compliant with new federal regulations.
    - Currently, Mooresville has not had their menus certified.
    - We are working with our USDA/Department of Education Field Consultant to have our menus certified.
    - Once we receive certification, we will receive an additional 6 cents in federal reimbursement per lunch meal.
      - Based on last year's number of 405,345 lunches x \$.06 = \$24,320.70 in additional funding for our program.
- Smart Snacks in School:
  - The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 required the USDA to establish nutrition standards for all foods sold in schools (not just the NSLP and SBP).
  - In June 2013, the USDA published the rule on these standards based on the most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
  - The rule is to be implemented beginning July 1, 2014.
  - The USDA has the authority to impose penalties of up to 10% of federal reimbursements for not following regulations. This fine would be required to be paid from non-federal funds.
  - All foods sold on a school's campus, during a school day are required to meet particular nutrient standards.
    - We are making adjustments to many items sold ala carte in order to meet the guidelines.
  - Competitive Food:
    - All food and beverages sold to students on the school campus during the school day, other than those meals reimbursable under programs authorized by the CNPs.
  - School Campus:
    - All areas of the property under the jurisdiction of the school that are accessible to students during the school day.
  - School Day:
    - The period from the midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day.
  - Any food sold in schools must:
    - Be a "whole grain-rich" grain product; or
    - Have as the first ingredient a fruit, a vegetable, a dairy product, or a protein food; or
    - Be a combination food that contains at least ¼ cup of fruit and/or vegetable; or
    - Contain 10% of the Daily Value of one of the nutrients of public health concern in the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans (calcium, potassium, vitamin D, or dietary fiber).
  - Foods must also meet several nutrient requirements:
    - Calorie limits:
      - Snack items < 200 calories
      - Entrée items < 350 calories
    - Sodium limits:
      - Snack items < 230 mg
      - Entrée items < 480 mg
    - Fat limits:
      - Total fat < 35% of calories
      - Saturated fat < 10% of calories
      - Trans fat: zero grams
    - Sugar limit:
      - < 35% of weight from total sugars in foods
    - There are guidelines on beverages as well.
- Food Service Budget:
  - Is expected to be self-sufficient.
  - The Food Service Department ran a deficit of about 6.5% last year.

- Correction will be as follows:
    - Making wise financial decisions.
    - Addressing operational issues and reducing waste.
    - Increase federal funding through 6 cent certification.
    - Increase our buying power and streamlining procurement activities.
  - Cooperative Purchasing:
    - In order to increase our buying power, we would like to pool our purchases together with other school food service departments.
    - The West Indy Cooperative has invited Mooresville Schools to join, and for Mr. Williams to sit on their Board of Directors.
      - Other Board of Director Member Districts:
        - Wayne Township Schools
        - Decatur Township Schools
        - Lawrence Township Schools
        - Roncalli High School
      - Purchasing will be for more than 45,000 students and purchasing in volume will allow us to save money on our purchases.
- Goals:
  - Already changes made at the high school, there are not 2 ala carte lines and 3 lunch lines.
  - Want each principal to be proud.
  - Increase appeal of lunch and breakfast all students can enjoy.
    - Offer build-your-own lunch options at the high school.
    - Evaluate items that are popular and implement new items.
    - Offer more options to students.
    - Offer more fresh fruits and vegetables.
  - Strengthen our financial position.
  - Have our menus 6 cent certified.
  - Streamline procurement activities.
  - Implement Summer Food Program operated by our department.
  - Increase awareness and participation in Free/Reduced meal programs.
  - Make every cafeteria an asset to that school.

Mr. Meadows stated he had heard schools were dropping out of the program. Mr. Williams stated we would have to make that money up somehow and does not recommend it. Mr. King stated we now have deep fryers we are not using and asked if we have enough ovens. Mr. Williams stated we are moving ovens around instead of buying more equipment.

Dr. Roberson reminded the board that Fall Break will be October 13-17 and October 17 is the last home football game.

The next school board meeting will be on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Education Center.

There being no further business to come before the board and upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. King, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried 5-0.

Attest:

Respectfully submitted,

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President

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Perry King  
Secretary

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Vice-President

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