MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MACOMB C.U.S.D. #185
AUGUST 16, 2010
7:00 P.M.

Board President Robert Shouse called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at Macomb Jr./Sr. High School. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was taken with the following persons answering “present”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson.

Board President Shouse announced that the Board would hold a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed 2010-2011 budget during the Monday, September 20, 2010, regular meeting of the Board.

Superintendent Reuschel provided information regarding the following:
- Received a note of thanks from Jeff DeJoode regarding the land exchange between Macomb C.U.S.D. #185 and West Prairie.
- Thanks to Purdum Gray Ingeldue for donation to McDonald’s school supply drive. Employees donated their casual Friday money to purchase school supplies for the drive.
- Thanks to McDonald’s West for school supply drive.
- Thanks to Pella Corporation for donation to MSHS Ecology Club.
- MACC/MDDC Legislative Lunch will be held on Thursday, September 30.
- IASB Governing Board Representative: Larry Adams will continue.
- Request from Bomber Booster Club to sell space for advertising at District athletic venues.

Mr. Ed Basch, City Administrator, presented a resolution repealing the property tax abatement incentive eligibility with the Macomb/McDonough County Enterprise Zone, City of Macomb, West Side Tax Increment Financing District. Superintendent Reuschel advised that the District’s attorney, Mr. Paul Millichap, had reviewed the resolution and that the recommendation is to approve the resolution.

Mrs. Heather Overstreet, District Technology/Integration Coordinator, presented the District’s new website. The site went live August 1 and Mrs. Overstreet noted that hard work by Kate Shattuck, Pam Hensley, Amy Morris, Lorna Provine, and Emily Platt played a big part in getting the website up as planned.

Member Adams moved, and member Colvin seconded, to approve the items on the Consent Calendar as presented, which included the following: Minutes from the July 19, 2010, regular Board meeting; minutes from the July 28, 2010, special Board meeting, Treasurer’s Report; Investment Report; Monthly Board Report; Bills and Payroll; Financial Update on Life Safety Projects (.05 levy); Financial Update on Life Safety Projects (combined); Activity Account Reports; Monthly Food Service Report; and, Financial Authorizations. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Colvin moved, and member Klems seconded, to approve and hold indefinitely the minutes from the closed meeting held during the July 28, 2010, special Board meeting. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.
Member Thompson moved, and member Colvin seconded, to approve personnel recommendations as presented. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding the Bomber Booster Club request to sell advertising in the form of banners to be displayed at the fields and gyms in the District. Questions were raised regarding size and placement of signage and the number to be sold. The Board requested that Superintendent Reuschel seek answers to the following questions from the Booster Club:

- What size will the signs be?
- How many will be sold?
- Will one sponsor be allowed to purchase multiple signs?
- How will placement be determined?
- Who is responsible for maintenance of signs?

Member Colvin, co-chair of the ad hoc Survey Committee, presented information regarding the committee’s August 4 meeting. The committee brought forth a two-part recommendation:

- Conduct a community survey, which should be brief, open ended and promulgated as soon as possible. The proposed form is before the Board for consideration.
- Administer a second survey that would be used by a variety of audiences as a tool to enhance building atmosphere, student learning, strengthen good areas and remedy weak areas. This survey would, for the most part, not be available publicly. The committee will work with the administration to find the best possible time to administer the survey, most likely not the beginning or end of the school year. Ideally, the survey and collection of data will be done electronically.

Member Colvin moved, and member Thompson seconded, to approve the proposed survey for distribution. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Member Adams abstained. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Adams seconded, to approve the list of proposed overnight trips for Macomb Jr./Sr. High School Athletics during the 2010-2011 school year. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Adams moved, and member Klems seconded, to appoint Superintendent Reuschel as the District Homeless Liaison effective during the 2010-2011 school year. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Klems moved, and member Thompson seconded, to approve the resolution repealing the property tax abatement incentive eligibility with the Macomb/McDonough County Enterprise Zone, City of Macomb, West Side Tax Increment Financing District. Members voting “yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

At 7:58 p.m., member Thompson moved, and member Colvin seconded, to hold a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and to review minutes and audio recordings of closed meetings, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) and 120/2.06(d). Members voting
“yes”: Colvin, Kiah, Klems, Adams, Shouse, Clark, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:06 p.m.

Member Adams moved, and member Klems seconded, to adjourn at 9:07 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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