

Milne-Kelvin Grove School District 91  
Lockport, IL  
January 23, 2007

The Board of Education of Milne-Kelvin Grove, District #91, Will County, Illinois met in a regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23, 2007. This meeting was held in the library at Kelvin Grove School.

President Mary Ann Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Roll call as follows: Present: Marge Otis, Mary Ann Murphy, Tom Murphy, Ann Lopez-Caneva, Pete Vasiliades, Adam Woodworth and Jeff Howell. Also present were superintendent Donna Gray, principals Mary Jo Slingerland and Tracy Carlson, and several teachers and community members.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Woodworth, to accept the Consent Agenda items:

1. Minutes from the December 5, 2006 Board Meeting.
2. Financial Reports
3. Payment of Bills
4. Treasurer's Report

Roll call as follows: Ayes: Otis, Murphy (Tom), Howell, Lopez-Caneva, Woodworth, Vasiliades, Murphy(Mary Ann).

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Mr. Robert Parker, parent of Jason Parker, addressed the Board of Education expressing his gratitude for all the support of the district. He expressed his special gratitude toward Coach Jon Gordon and Coach Mike Lindstrom. He stated that they were calm and in control through out the whole incident that involved his son. He briefly spoke on diversity.

Mrs. Kovacevich, the Director of LASEC gave a brief update on the IDEA grant, special education historical data, and updates related to the cooperative. Richland school district has delayed withdrawal from the co-op for one more year. LASEC has generously donated \$8500 from the IDEA grant to District 91 to assist in offsetting the \$10,000 commitment to the private and parochial schools within the district boundaries. Mrs. Kovacevich commended District 91 for stepping up and incorporating LASEC employees and programs within the district.

Tom Murphy gave a report on the Building & Grounds meeting that was held today prior to the board meeting. The minutes of the previous meetings were approved. Winter break projects were reviewed. The Health Life Safety & Building Infrastructure Upgrades Action Plan was reviewed. Snow removal at Milne Grove was reviewed. Installation of floodlights in the front of Kelvin Grove was discussed. A representative from Chevron gave a presentation on life safety issues.

Marge Otis reported on the finance committee meeting. The FY 06 financial profile and AFR was reviewed. Financial reports were reviewed. Planning for the fiscal year 2008 was discussed. A meeting was scheduled for 1/29/07 to compile a letter to the community in regards to the financial position of the district. At this time, the district does not need to issue TAW's to accommodate cash flow for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Mrs. Carlson gave a brief update on the District 91 Academy. The Academy has covered many topics so of which include plans for a pandemic flu, the junk food ban, a handbook review, and the possibility of creating a directory of district 91 families. Mrs. Slingerland will give a full report in June on additional topics and updates.

Mrs. Gray reported special education. Minutes from November and December 2006 were approved. Surcharges for non-member districts were discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 14, 2007, 9 am at LASEC.

Mrs. Gray gave an update on items discussed at the superintendents articulation meeting. Calendar planning will begin in February. Laraway School District has requested to join the Lockport Little 7 Conference. Discussion from districts planning on running referendums in April 2007 was held.

Mrs. Gray reported that no FOIA requests have been made since the last board meeting.

Mr. Dan Brandolino from Chevron Energy Solutions gave a presentation on possible solutions to the Life Safety Health issues. His proposal does not involve a referendum or tax increase.

A first reading of the following policies was held: 2:140, 2:150, 2:200, 2:210, 2:220, 2L240, 3:10, 3:40, 3:60, 4:10, 4:40, 4:170, 5:30, 5:90, 6:60, 6:250, 7:270, 8:30 and 8:60. These policies will be brought back in February for a second reading and approval.

Mrs. Gray reported on building and district AYP. ISAT scores have not been received from the state as of this date. However, a report has been posted on the ISBE website for AYP status. District 91 has made AYP in both school buildings and the district as a whole.

Mrs. Gray gave an update on the senior luncheon that was sponsored by the Student Council. The feedback was positive and appreciative. The students also enjoyed interacting with the senior citizens from the community.

Mrs. Gray reported that Mrs. Perkins (substitute caller and lunch/recess aide) will be taking an unpaid medical leave. The date has been changed, however, Mrs. Perkins will advise the Superintendent of the new date as soon as possible.

The planning document was reviewed. The February 07 board meeting has been changed to 2/12/07.

Motion was made by Lopez-Caneva, seconded by Howell, to approve the resolutions authorizing the Superintendent to publish an RFP addressing Health Life Safety items and

building infrastructure upgrade. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Murphy (Mary Ann), Woodworth, Lopez-Caneva, Otis, Murphy(Tom), Vasiliades, Howell.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Murphy (Tom), seconded by Lopez-Caneva, to table the resolution to approve the issue of General Obligation Bonds until February 2007. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Vasiliades, Howell, Otis, Murphy (Mary Ann), Woodworth, Lopez-Caneva, Murphy(Tom).

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Vasiliades, to accept the resignation of Jennifer Hogrefe, Suzanne Firesheets effective 1.23.07, and Lily Shinn effective 2.1.07. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Otis, Vasiliades, Murphy(Tom), Lopez-Caneva, Howell, Murphy(Mary Ann), Woodworth.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Vasiliades, to grant the request of ViAnn Rickey for an unpaid medical leave starting April 2, 2007. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Murphy(Tom), Vasiliades, Murphy(Mary Ann), Otis, Woodworth, Howell, Lopez-Caneva.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Woodworth, seconded by Otis, to approve the employment of Michaelene Bultman as a long-term substitute to replace Mrs. Firesheets in second grade. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Howell, Lopez-Caneva, Otis, Murphy (Tom), Vasiliades, Woodworth, Murphy(Mary Ann).

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Howell, to accept donations from the Des Plaines Valley Public Library and LTHS. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Murphy(Mary Ann), Otis, Howell, Murphy(Tom), Vasiliades, Woodworth, Lopez-Caneva.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Lopez-Caneva, to approve the following policies that were brought back for a second reading this month: 7:90, 7:150, 7:220, 7:260, 7:310, 8:10, 8:40, 8:100, 8:110, 2:10, 2:20, 2:50, 2:80, 2:110, 2:130. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Murphy (Mary Ann), Woodworth, Vasiliades, Murphy(Tom), Otis, Lopez-Caneva, Howell.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Invitation to address the board was given. No comments.

Informational items were reviewed.

Motion was made at 9:26 pm, by Vasiliades, seconded by Howell, to go into closed session for: Personnel 5 ILCA 120/2©, as amended by P. A. 93-0057. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee **OF** against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. Roll call as follows: Ayes: Howell, Murphy(Mary Ann), Woodworth, Lopez-Caneva, Murphy(Tom), Otis, Vasiliades.

Motion was made by Otis, seconded by Howell, at 10:23 pm to come out of closed session and adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

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Secretary to the Board

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President of School Board