

FEBRUARY 8, 2010
CHOCONUT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – L.G.I. AREA

MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION MINUTES

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED MARCH 8, 2010

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Mr. Douglas Wilcox
President, Board of Directors

Mr. Michael F. Ognosky
Superintendent of Schools

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Montrose Area School District Board of Directors Work Session was called to order by Board President Mr. Doug Wilcox at 7:35 PM in the Choconut Valley Elementary School L.G.I. room, RR 1 Box 1730, Friendsville, PA, 18818.

A. Roll Call Attendance – Mrs. Judith Sample, Co-Board Secretary

PRESENT: Mr. Christopher Cation, Mr. George Gow, Mrs. Mary Homan, Ms. Julie Humphrey, Mrs. Kathleen Mordovancey, Mrs. Gloria Smith, Mrs. Pamela Staats, Mr. Douglas Wilcox

ABSENT: Mr. Karl Wimmer

ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS: Mr. Michael Ognosky, Mrs. Michelle Lusk, Mr. Russ Canevari, Mr. Greg Adams, Mr. Craig Owens, Mr. Rickie Clapper

II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Administrators' Reports – Electronically sent to members of the Board

1. Miss Elizabeth O'Malley
2. Dr. Donald Golden
3. Mr. Owens complimented Mr. Michael Clifford, computer teacher at the Junior-Senior High School for his accomplishments as the coordinator of the computer fair and also recognized Mrs. Sandra Kaub's contributions to the district over these past years.
4. Mr. Canevari reported that he attended the "Student of the Marking Period" luncheon with four students and all had a very nice time. Mr. Canevari also informed those in attendance that student Julia Koloski has signed with the University of Pittsburgh and that the Student Council is working to raise money for the *Smile Train* organization which is devoted to helping children with cleft palates.
5. Mr. Adams reported that the *Rain Forest* program will be at both elementary schools on Wednesday, February 10th and invited all to attend the evening performance to be held at Lathrop Street Elementary School. Mr. Adams also thanked Mrs. Robyn Lubash for arranging a penny drive at Lathrop Street which raised \$1100.00 for the Haiti relief fund and further reported that he and Mr. McComb will be attending a 21st Century Grant conference in Harrisburg in March. Both Mr. Adams and Mr. Owens answered questions from members of the Board regarding the proposed new sound systems for each building and the bidding process was reviewed.
6. Mr. Clapper expressed his thanks for the sympathy expressed by the district to himself and his family members on the recent loss of his mother. Mr. Clapper answered questions from the Board on various district projects.
7. Mrs. Lusk thanked the administration, Business Office staff and members of the Board for their support during the budgeting process.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Administration Building Bid

Mrs. Lusk presented the latest specifications and designs for the proposed new Administration Building and she and Mr. Ognosky answered questions from members of the Board.

B. 2010-2011 School Calendar

Mr. Ognosky reported that the process has started to develop the 2010/2011 school calendar and that he hopes to have a draft ready for review by the March Board meeting. Mr. Ognosky also informed the Board members that he will be sending them a draft of a letter to the PSBA regarding the increasing retirement system rates.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Items from members of Board of Directors
Ms. Humphrey complimented the work Mr. Duane Benedict, Business teacher at the Junior-Senior High School has done in working with the relatively new Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) club and mentioned the club's accomplishments to date.

VI. COMMITTEES

- A. Schedule meetings
1. Student Council / Board Forum
Following a discussion by the members of the Board Mr. Ognosky asked committee members to get back to him with dates for Building & Grounds, Extra Curricular, Finance, and Transportation Committee meetings between now and the end of March. Mr. Ognosky also reported that he will check on a date for the next Student Council/Board Forum.

VII. VISITORS' COMMENTS - None

(Visitors must speak directly into the public microphone for accurate transcription of minutes. Even if the person speaks loud enough to be heard by meeting attendees, they cannot be heard on the tape transcription unless they speak directly into the microphone.)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by Ms. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Caterson to adjourn this meeting at 8:25 PM.

Mr. Caterson, Yes, Mr. Gow, Yes; Mrs. Homan, Yes; Ms. Humphrey, Yes;
Mrs. Mordovancey, Yes; Mrs. Smith, Yes; Mrs. Staats, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes

YES – 8 NO – 0 ABSTAIN – 0

Michael Ognosky, Superintendent of Schools