

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNTAINBURG SCHOOL BOARD  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2007**

**5:30 P.M.**

**1. Call to order**

Presiding officer was Brett Peters. Other board members present were Robbie Dyer, Robin Willroth, and Carol Pense. Ron Gossage was absent due to the death of his father. Administrators present were Jim Bridges, Warren Bane, Marsha Crowder, and Martha Cochenour. Barton Hunter was absent due to basketball game. Peters asked for a moment of silence for Ron Gossage and his family.

**2. Consent agenda (attachments)**

**A. Minutes of October board meetings**

**B. Financial report**

Bridges recommended approval of the consent agenda. Willroth moved to approve the consent agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pense. Passed.

**3. Regular agenda**

**A. Debt capacity analysis - Stephens, Inc.**

Moved to later on agenda

**B. Honors course designation**

Bridges asked whether calculus should be weighted. Consensus of board members was college classes and AP classes should have weighting.

**C. Participation in ASBA unemployment compensation account**

Bridges recommended continuing participation in the ASBA unemployment compensation account. Willroth moved to accept recommendation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dyer. Passed.

**D. Resignations**

Bridges recommended accepting the resignation of Tracy Scott effective 11-20-07. Board members expressed concern that such a good teacher was resigning her position. Willroth moved to approve recommendation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pense. Passed.

**E. Personnel employment**

Bridges recommended Jessica Fisher to fill the position by continuing her contract through the end of the 2007-08 school year. Ms. Fisher has been on contract for Tina Sorensen's position, but Ms. Sorensen has returned from military duty. Willroth moved to approve recommendation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pense. Passed.

**F. Superintendent evaluation (executive session)**

Willroth moved to go to executive session. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pense. Passed.

Willroth moved to leave executive session. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dyer. Passed.

Statement by Peters on the evaluation of James Bridges, superintendent was that he meets or exceeds expectation. He and other board members also stated they felt he performs his job with the highest integrity and with the interest of Mountainburg Schools at heart. They also commended him on the

facilities improvements he has made as superintendent.

**(Moved on agenda)**

**A. Debt capacity analysis - Stephens, Inc.**

Dennis Hunt addressed the board concerning options on bonds to raise funds for building and renovations needed. Board members discussed options.

**4. Informational items/comments**

**A. Old lights at football field**

Bridges said Hughes Electric has provided a bid of \$7,650 to tear down the old light poles at the football field. He recommended postponing a decision on what to do about the poles.

**B. Booster Club**

Bridges said there has been discussion of an athletic booster club being formed and he has been asked about the funds being placed in the school activity account but he has concerns about that. Consensus of the board was they support a booster club being formed but would prefer that the funds are not placed in the school activity account.

**C. Semester tests**

There was discussion concerning the semester test schedule.

**Adjournment:**

Willroth moved to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pense. Passed.