



*Mastering New Worlds*

## Manson Northwest Webster Community School Board of Education Meeting November 23, 2010

The Manson Northwest Webster School Board held their regular business board meeting on Tuesday, November 23, 2010, in the library at the Elementary Building.

President Paterson opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Paterson, DeWall, Swartzendruber, Jacobsen, Johnson arrived at 7:12. Absent: Lawler, Hewitt.

Others present: Supt. Egli, Board Secretary Schroeder, Business Mgr./Treas. Wood, Mark Pugh, and Don Ludwig of Reliable Controls.

Motion by Swartzendruber, second by Jacobsen to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Paterson welcomed the group and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the reports, bills and minutes of 10/21 business meeting, 11/04 education meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Swartzendruber, to approve the second reading of the following policies:

502.1 – 502.14 – Portion of Students section

All ayes, motion carried.

Don Ludwig, systems technician for Reliable Controls of Duncombe, Iowa, presented their bid for system controls at the Barnum building site. Digital system controls would replace pneumatic heating and cooling controls that currently exist there. The advantage would be a building that is evenly heated and cooled without surges in demand that result in large utility bills. Pneumatic systems are also being phased out and parts are hard to find and extremely expensive. With digital control systems, building temperatures can be controlled through internet connections from a computer anywhere that the authorized user has access. Motion by DeWall, second by Swartzendruber, to approve the bid by Reliable Controls for digital temperature controls at a cost of \$38,750. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve an out of state trip. Mr. Gaul will be taking a group of students to Oklahoma City for FFA Nationals May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Swartzendruber to approve snow removal bids from Andrew Carlson for the Barnum Center and Donny King for the Manson Centers.

Motion by DeWall, second by Jacobsen, to approve the following open enrollment requests:

Four girls, grades K, 4, 7 and 8 out to PV due to move of residence.

One boy, grade 1 out to RC-L due to move of residence.

One boy, grade 10 in from GCB due to move of residence.  
All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the Resolution of Intent for Instructional Support Levy. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

A public hearing will be set for December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Superintendent Mark Egli presented a financial report for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. The MNW District saw a drop in General Fund Balance of approximately \$100,000, with a slight increase in Accumulated Budget Authority. The financial picture for the District appears to be strong for the next two to three years with uncertainty thereafter due to continued population decline in the area. The student number for the current year held steady compared to last year's number. Open enrollments are important to the district with 20 more coming in than are open enrolled out. With several major areas of expenditure—the bus barn, demolition needed on wings of the Manson elementary, and the laptop computer initiative—Egli stated that a small asking in the PPEL levy might be in order for the fall of 2011. The PPEL tax was previously one dollar per thousand. It is now 33 cents. Adding 25 cents would cover the District's computer expenditures.

Motion by DeWall, second by Jacobsen, to approve a bid of \$21,500 from Gelhausen Construction for installation of trusses and roof sheeting for the bus barn. All ayes, motion carried. Due to the immediate need for assistance with the bus barn, a second bid was sought but could not be obtained.

Motion by DeWall, second by Swartzendruber, to table action on bids for abatement and demolition for old elementary wing. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the early retirement incentive. The incentive offers single health insurance for a maximum of 8 years or to age 65 to any employee 55 years of age or older who has been with the district 10 years or longer. The incentive will not be offered again for at least 2 years. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the resignations of Tom Beacom as JH/HS Science teacher and Sally VanHouten as MS Softball coach with appreciation for their service. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Swartzendruber, second by Jacobsen, to approve the SBRC Application. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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Board Secretary

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Board President