

MINUTES OF THE MARGARETTA BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING OF
MAY 6, 2008.

The Margarettta Board of Education met in special session at 1:00 P.M. on May 6, 2008 at the Administrative Offices.

Mr. Lippert called the meeting to order with roll call; Mr. Stark, Mrs. Kuns, Mr. Bodey, and Mr. Lippert were present; Mr. Myers was absent.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Hammond led a discussion on the bids received last Thursday at the Bid Opening. He introduced Scott Deisler, Associate Project Manager from SHP Leading Design (fka Steed Hammond and Paul), who interviewed the bidders and has prepared recommendations for the Board to consider.

Regarding the Electrical bid, Mr. Deisler explained to the Board that All-Phase Power and Lighting was the only firm that bid. Their bid was for \$354,800. During the interview, All-Phase realized that they omitted a section of the specifications which dealt with the extension of electric and data from the existing Elementary building to the 6-unit modular classroom. Mr. Deisler recommendation is to award the bid and that we should solicit bids on the portion that was omitted. He stated that the additional cost should not exceed \$10,000 and that All-Phase will prepare a bid on the additional work.

Regarding the General Contractor bid, the Board received three competitive bids. Mr. Deisler met with Telamon Construction, who submitted the lowest bid of \$1,486,000, and he believes that they have met all the required specifications in their proposal. He also contacted other schools who have contracted with Telamon in the past and all indications are that they will perform to our expectations. Mr. Deisler recommends that the Board award the general construction bid to Telamon Construction.

Regarding the Plumbing and HVAC bids, Martinez Construction was the lone bidder for each. Mr. Deisler stated that he met with Martinez Construction and they have addressed all the areas in the specifications. He recommends awarding the plumbing and HVAC bids to Martinez Construction.

The Board had several good questions regarding the bids and the overall project. One area of concern from the Board was the use of non-union laborers for the project. The Board was told that School District are not bound by "prevailing wage" provisions as some other local and state governments. The specifications does not address whether the labor will be unionized or not.

The Board was also interested in the additional alternatives for the general construction bid. They included (1) casework for the office areas, (2) sound absorption material for the gym walls, and (3) concrete drainage from the proposed retention area to the existing stormwater infrastructure.

Motion by Mr. Bodey, seconded by Mrs. Kuns, to award the general construction bid to Telamon Construction, without the additional alternatives, award the electrical bid to All-Phase Power and Lighting, award the plumbing and HVAC to Martinez Construction; Roll Call: Mrs. Kuns: Aye, Mr. Bodey: Aye, Mr. Stark: Nay, and Mr. Lippert: Aye.

Mr. Hammond then led a discussion on the Reduction of Force (RIF) in accordance with the labor contract with Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE). He said that subsequent to meeting with representatives of the union and obtaining direction from the Board, the administration is prepared to recommend that effective August 15 the following positions will be subject to the reduction: 1 library aide, 3 educational aides, 1 office aide, 2 cooks, 1 assistant cook, 1 kitchen helper, 1 cashier, and 1 custodian, all from the Townsend Elementary building, and in addition one 5-hour per day calendar year custodian position at the High School.

The Board inquired about the process. It was explained that we will send notices to the employees in these positions next Wednesday May 14; they will then have five days to notify management of their intent to "bump" into an equal or lower classification within their department. This will lead to a series of bumping; once all bumping has occurred then management will post the new positions to be offered next school year at Margaretta Elementary.

Motion by Mr. Stark, seconded by Mr. Bodey, to adopt Board Resolution 07-08-77, to reduce the number of unionized classified positions and provide notice; Roll Call: All present aye.

Superintendent's Report

Personnel Actions:

Classified:

Motion by Mrs. Kuns, second by Mr. Stark, to employ the summer workers as presented in the agenda; Roll Call: All present aye.

Motion by Mr. Bodey, second by Mrs. Kuns to accept the resignation of James Selman, bus driver, effective April 28, 2008; Roll call: All present aye.

Motion by Mr. Bodey, second by Mrs. Kuns, to adjourn the special meeting and enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations with no business to follow; Roll Call: All present aye.

The Board entered Executive Session at 1:39 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Kuns, second by Mr. Bodey, to return from Executive Session; Roll Call: All present aye.

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:05 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Bodey, second by Mr. Stark, to adjourn the meeting having no further business to come before the board. Roll call: All present aye.

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Jude T. Hammond
Treasurer