

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MOKENA SCHOOL DISTRICT 159  
MOKENA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
March 9, 2011**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mr. Tim King – President		✓
Mrs. Katherine Moore – Vice President	✓	
Mr. Scott Peters – Secretary	✓	
Mr. Tony Bruozas	✓	
Mrs. Denise Falbo		✓
Mr. John Troy	✓	
Mr. Frank Ventura	✓	Arrived at 7:07 p.m.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Karen Perry, Superintendent; Chuck Vitton, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction; Ellen Belotti, Student Services Director; Barbara Germany, Business Manager; Michael Krugman, Principal; Mike Rolinitis, Principal; Steve Stein, Principal; Patti Bogdan, Asst. Principal; Judy Splayt, Asst. Principal; Chris Clavenna, Asst. Principal; Ryan Adkins, Technology Administrator, Ann Lewandowski, Director of Food Services, Ken Stanley, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Mary Louise Knoerzer, Board Secretary.

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Larry Jourdan, Carrie Zakula, Kate Wojtulewicz, Sheryl McEvoy, Jack McDermott, Craig Nass, Melinda Corjean, Robert, Cochran, Mike Ford, Gina Zovlet, Joe Spalla, Dorelle Ackerman.

**PRESS**

Amanda Jacobs, Mokena Messenger; Caroline Evans, Patch.com; Ginger Brashinger; Southtown Star.

**OPENING AND ROLL CALL**

President Pro-tem Mrs. Moore called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Mokena Public School District 159 to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 9, 2011.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Clavenna along with representatives of Rachel's challenge: Connor Riley and Josh Currier led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASE**

Mrs. Clavenna, assistant principal of MJH, along with four student representatives of "Friends of Rachel" presented information on the activities planned for MJH for Rachel's Challenge. The students designated the next five weeks to represent each of the five challenges.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- **MTA-** no comment
- **Superintendent Report:** ISAT Testing scheduled one week later; thanked Dr. Wolfe for the \$1300 donation on behalf of "Do the The Griff" race last Spring; next race is May 1, 2011; finalizing plans for registration etc. for students for 2011-2012.



Herman, William	Bus Driver	2/28/2011	4.00/day to 4.25/day Increase hours from 3.00/day to 4.25/day
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**C. Certified – Resignation**

Horn, Joey	Teacher-PE	MJH	03/11/2011
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**D. Certified-Leave of Absence**

Darnell, Meghan	Teacher-1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	MES	2011-2012	Leave of Absence
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**E. Certified-Rehire Tenure Teacher**

Shaughnessy, Donald	Teacher	MJH	2011-2012	Salary Pending Negotiations
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**Recommended Motion:**

Mr. Troy moved to approve personnel recommendations A and E as presented, seconded by Mr. Bruozas.

**On Roll Call**

Ayes: Mr. Bruozas, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Peters, Mr. Troy, Mr. Ventura

Nays: None

Abstain: None

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT**

**Recommended Motion:**

Mr. Troy moved, seconded by Mr. Peters, that the Board of Education approve the disposal of the broken and outdated equipment.

**On Roll Call**

Ayes: Mr. Bruozas, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Peters, Mr. Troy, Mr. Ventura

Nays: None

Abstain: None

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**REQUEST TO PREPARE TENTATIVE BUDGET**

Mr. Troy moved that the Board of Education authorize preparation of the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 for Mokena School District 159, seconded by Mr. Peters.

**On Roll Call**

Ayes: Mr. Bruozas, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Peters, Mr. Troy, Mr. Ventura

Nays: None

Abstain: None

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO ACTION REQUESTS**

No questions.

**ITEMS FOR MARCH 23, 2011 AGENDA**

- Reduction in Force (bldg/instruct. aides)
- First Readings of Policies (possibly)

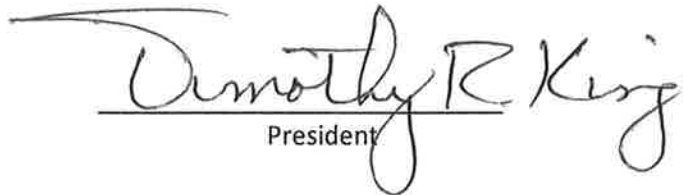
**GOOD OF MOKENA**

- Mr. Krugman announced the donation to St. Jude's from their 6<sup>th</sup> annual Math-A-thon was \$7,792.
- Outdoor Ed. is scheduled for May 11-13; \$190/student for trip; at home student- \$45; looking at PTA mini-grants and scholarships for students in need. MIS received \$1,000 from the Camp High fund.

- Mr. Rolinitis announced our Geography Bee winner, Christian Geoppo has qualified for the State Level; he is one of 100 students.
- MJH received \$1,000 from the Camp High fund to use towards "Rachel's Challenge" program.
- "Do the Griff" information is on virtual backpack.
- MPS will be hosting another rummage Sale to benefit all school organizations.
- Mokena Health and Business Expo - Saturday March 12 from 10- 1:00 p.m. at MES.
- MES will be participating later this year in a jump-a-thon for the American Heart Association.
- Community Rally for the referendum is March 20 at downtown Metra lot from 1-4:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:38 p.m. Mr. Troy moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Peters the March 9, 2011 Regular meeting to adjourn to Close Session for purposes of negotiations; not to return. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.

  
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President

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Secretary