

Board Work Session

March 10

2009

The Board of Education of the Mansfield City Schools District met in a Board work session at 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 10, 2009, at the Board of Education, 124 North Linden Road, Mansfield, Ohio.

Sondra Asher, President, called the meeting to order.

The roll, as taken by the treasurer, was as follows:

Members Present - Mrs. Sondra Asher, Dominic Danza, Mr. Dale Musilli, Ms. Deanne Osgood, Mr. George Rusiska -----	5
Members Absent – None -----	0

Dr. Lloyd Martin, Superintendent, and James Lehmann, Treasurer, were in attendance along with members of the Mansfield City Schools’ employees and community.

**09-054    Resolution to Affirm the Board of Education Statement**

Mr. Musilli moved and Mr. Danza seconded a resolution to affirm the Board of Education statement that was presented on Friday morning, March 6, 2009, at a Special Board Meeting. The statement is as follows:

On Thursday Superintendent Dr. Lloyd Martin was served a complaint charging him with aiding the obstruction of official business. The allegation is that Dr. Martin has obstructed the investigation of a Springmill Intermediate School teacher who Dr. Martin removed from her classroom on Feb. 3 for allegedly making inappropriate remarks to students. A similar complaint of obstruction was filed against Patricia Robinson, Executive Director of Human Resources.

In consultation with our attorney we have followed protocol throughout this process. We have abided by federal law by protecting the privacy rights of identifiable students and their parents while attempting to work cooperatively with local law enforcement. All information we have relative to this investigation was provided to law enforcement in February.

We, as a board, believe it is unfortunate that this issue distracts from our responsibilities to all of the students of Mansfield City Schools.

Because simultaneous investigations are under way, it would not be advisable for the board to comment further.

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Musilli, Mr. Danza, Mrs. Asher, Ms. Osgood, Mr. Rusiska -----	5
Nay: None -----	0
Motion passed	

**The Board discussed the environment of Board meetings and expectations of future meetings.**

**Open to the Public for Agenda Items – The following persons made comments on why Dr. Martin’s contract should be approved or not approved:**

- Pearl Howard
- Suzanne Banko
- Russ White
- Marcia Webb
- Elder Courtney Avery
- Reverend David Dennis
- James Cosby

**09-055 Resolution for a Recess**

Mr. Musilli moved and Mr. Danza seconded a resolution to hold a short recess.

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Musilli, Mr. Danza, Ms. Osgood, Mr. Rusiska, Mrs. Asher ----- 5  
Nay: None ----- 0  
Motion passed

The Board went into recess at 5:10 p.m.  
The Board returned from recess at 5:23 p.m.

**First Reading of the Revised Public Participation at Board Meetings Policy**

**09-056 Resolution to Approve Contracts for Security for Board Meetings**

Mr. Danza moved and Ms. Osgood seconded a resolution to approve contracts for security at Board work sessions and regular Board meetings as needed.

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Danza, Ms. Osgood, Mr. Rusiska, Mrs. Asher, Mr. Musilli ----- 5  
Nay: None ----- 0  
Motion passed

**09-057 Resolution to Affirm the Revised Central Office Administrators' Evaluation Forms**

Mr. Musilli moved and Ms. Osgood seconded a resolution to table this item.

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Musilli, Ms. Osgood, Mr. Rusiska, Mrs. Asher, Mr. Danza ----- 5  
Nay: None ----- 0  
Motion passed

**09-058 Resolution to Approve the Superintendent's Contract**

Mr. Rusiska moved and Mr. Danza second a resolution to approve Dr. Lloyd D. Martin's superintendent's contract with the Mansfield City Schools for the period of August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2012.

(A copy of Dr. Martin's contract is on file in the Treasurer's Office.)

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Rusiska, Mr. Danza, Mrs. Asher, Ms. Osgood ----- 4  
Nay: Mr. Musilli ----- 1  
Mr. Musilli stated that if the contract period had been for one year instead of two he may have voted differently.  
Motion passed

**09-059 Resolution to Adjourn**

Mr. Danza moved and Ms. Osgood seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Aye: Mr. Danza, Ms. Osgood, Mr. Rusiska, Mrs. Asher, Mr. Musilli ----- 5  
Nay: None ----- 0  
Motion passed

Mrs. Asher declared the meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

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Sondra Asher, President

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James Lehmann, Treasurer