

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Board Work Session Minutes

April 5, 2016

Work Session Meeting Minutes

A - Doug Levinson
 B - Paul Pitton
 C - John Williams
 D - Tom Parrish
 E - Greg Mikolai

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						AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION
Present	x	x	x	x	x	WORK SESSION SUMMARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Schultz welcomed everyone to the April Board Work Session. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Interest Based Bargaining Process – Mr. Steve Schultz, Superintendent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Board members heard and discussed the upcoming Interest Based Bargaining (IBS) process with Mesa Valley Education Association, which begins on April 16. Mr. Schultz asked Mrs. Colleen Martin, Executive Director of Human Resources, and Mr. Bill Vrettos, Facilitator of the bargaining process, to join him at the table. They distributed the IBS overview to the Board and explained the annual bargaining process. Mr. Schultz stated IBS is a productive and positive experience which starts with a language subcommittee briefing, allows negotiating parties to share their stories while others listen intently. The process encourages everyone at the table to weigh in on the issues and ideas at hand and generate as many solutions as possible. The group (MVEA and District 51) then work together to seek a mutual agreement. Mr. Williams asked Mr. Phil Onofrio, Chief Operations Officer, to provide a summary to the Board regarding the commitments which were made at the negotiations bargaining process last year. 2. Board Open Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Williams opened discussion regarding Mr. Pitton's residency. Mr. Williams stated Mr. Pitton had provided the Board with a letter discussing the challenges and predicaments his family is facing. Mr. Williams stated if any of the Board members would like to discuss the intent of Mr. Pitton, he would put an Agenda item on the April 19 Board Business Meeting. Mr. Pitton stated he had to leave the rental house in District B due to a sale by the owner. He has purchased property in District B and intends to build a home. Mr. Pitton stated he has a contract on his home in Whitewater and intends to move into District B. Mr. Mikolai stated the only action the Board would have is to declare a vacancy. Mr. Parrish stated he felt Mr. Pitton's intent would be good for him to stay on the Board. Mr. Parrish asked Mr. Pitton to keep the Board informed on the sale and building of his new home. Mr. Parrish stated by having a contract on property in District B shows Mr. Pitton's intent to move into the area. Mr. Williams stated there is no timeline defined within the statute of residency, which gives the Board latitude in this decision. ➤ Mr. Parrish discussed a visit he made with Mr. Schultz to school districts in New Mexico. This trip was funded by See the Change Organization. Mr. Parrish stated the cooperation with schools and legislatures in New Mexico work hand-in-hand to drive economics for education within the community and state. Mr. Parrish stated the public education approach in New Mexico is a refreshing approach to education. 3. Adjournment: 7:01 p.m. 	6:00 p.m.
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