

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

December 18, 2023

CONVENE

Board President Rick Paisley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Deanna Wiatt. Board Members present: Terry Blaken, Becky Whalen, Kim Sacia, Geoff Rozek, Shane Zeman & Kathy Dunn. All who were present then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Blaken, second by Sacia to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Superintendent Wiatt wrapped up meetings with elementary & junior high teachers this month and will reach out the special education team and high school teachers in January as well as the support staff groups. This has been a great opportunity to get to know the staff.

Mrs. Wiatt has also met with the superintendents from BRF and ACHM school districts to brainstorm planning three days of in-service for all our staff in the 24-25 school year. More information to come when these are finalized. She also continues to meet with Market & Johnson and River Valley Architects for the FEMA BRIC grant/building. We are collecting letters of support from community members and businesses for the application that is due in January.

The district office continues to work on the Self Evaluation of the Status of Non-Discrimination & Equality of Educational Opportunity. On December 6, the district office staff rang bells at the Melrose Express for the Salvation Army. The weather was good and it was a fun way to see community members who were so generous with their donations!

Sports and winter concerts for band and choir are in full swing. Mr. Hanson, Mrs. Hanson and Mrs. Bernau bring out the best of all of our talented students!

Our staff district Christmas party will be held 4-7pm this Thursday night at Young's Hideout. All are invited to attend.

CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY

1. **Correspondence:** None
2. **Public Comment:** No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting:** Motion by Sacia second by Dunn, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried 6-0.
2. **Finance:** Review of the expenditures and receipts through November. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to approve the check summary & vouchers in the amount of \$1,582,709.74. Motion carried 6-0. There were no budget changes. The cash flow and activity accounts were reviewed.
3. **Personnel Report:** Motion by Dunn, second by Blaken to approve the resignation of Athletic Director Connie Craig at the end of the 23-24 school year. Included in this motion was to hire Brant Young as the Head Girls Soccer coach & Stephanie McRoberts as the C-team Boys basketball coach and accept the retirements of IT Director David Speckeen and 6th grade Social Studies & Science teacher Janet Woodward at the end of the 23-24 school year. Motion carried 6-0.
4. **Approve 5-Year Strategic Plan:** Motion by Zeman, second by Whalen to approve the 5-Year Strategic Plan. Motion carried 6-0.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (f) "Considering the financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons." Motion made by Zeman, second by roll call vote to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Motion by Zeman, second by Dunn to adjourn from Closed Session at 6:58 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Michelle Murray, Recorder of Minutes