

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Monday, November 14, 2022

Board President Rick Paisley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Jeff Arzt, 7-12 Principal Rick Dobbs, ECH-6 Principal Corey Peterson and Finance Administrator Casey Pfaff. Board Members present: Terry Blaken, Geoffrey Rozek, Kim Sacia, Becky Whalen, Kathy Dunn & Shane Zeman. All who were present then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Sacia, second by Whalen, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Correspondence: None

Administrator's Report: Thank you to Mr. Peterson, Mr. Dobbs and Mr. Leland along with our 6th grade students and teachers for the wonderful Veteran's Day program held on Friday, November 11. The district also extends our thanks to those Veterans who attended. The student and staff did a great job honoring our local veterans.

Academic Decathlon won the local competition and finished third overall in the state.

High School Racing Association honored Mel-Min students Mitchell Berg, Kennedy Krueger and Braydon Lockington who became the first students in the nation to letter in high school stock car auto racing. The HSRA club also received the first place traveling trophy ahead of second place Royall Panthers and third place finisher Onalaska High School. Congratulations racers!

The board members were asked to contact Mr. Arzt or Michelle Murray if they were interested in attending the annual WASB convention in Milwaukee in January 2023.

The district has received several donations in memory of Donald Vinger. We are extremely grateful for the donations and they will be used by the High School Student Council which organizes activities for all our students.

The district was a grant recipient from the EPA's 2022 Clean School Bus Rebates. The district is eligible for up to \$375,000 and includes \$20,000 towards charging infrastructure. One of our older buses will need to be taken out of service.

Mr. Arzt & Mr. Dan Stetzer met with Craig Namyst from Market & Johnson to discuss developing proposal for the possible remodel or construction of a larger wrestling area & weight room.

Voters on November 8 approved 64 of the 81 school district referendum questions placed before them, reflecting a 79% overall passage rate.

Open Forum: None.

Finance: Review of the expenditures and receipts through October. Motion by Whalen, second by Dunn to approve the check summary & vouchers in the amount of \$718,254.85. Motion carried 6-0.

Other Business:

1. Motion by Blaken, second by Rozek to approve the waiver request for early start of 2023-2024 school year per WI Stat. 118.045(3)-request waiver to early start of school year due to coronavirus pandemic. Motion carried 6-0.
2. Motion by Zeman, second by Sacia to approve the first year building and grounds improvement projects. These projects include completion of the lighting/sound system in high school auditorium, moving scoreboards from the high school gym to the junior high gym and installing new scoreboards in the high school gym. Motion carried 6-0.

3. The first reading of policy 453.1 Emergency Nursing Services and 453.1 Rule Emergency Care Procedures.
4. Motion by Blaken, second by Dunn to approve and adopt policy 453.4 Administering Medication to Students and rule 453.4 Medication Administration Procedures. Motion carried 6-0.
5. Motion by Zeman, second by Whalen to approve the modified schedules for Jennifer Chama-Acosta and Carter Sacia. Motion carried 5-0 with Sacia abstaining.
6. Motion by Zeman, second by Blaken to approve the request for Maya Sbraggia to enroll in classes through PSEO (postsecondary enrollment options). Motion carried 6-0.
7. Motion by Dunn, second by Rozek to accept the resignation of head baseball coach Nat Turner. Motion carried 6-0.
8. Motion by Sacia second by Zeman to approve hiring Allison Gerdes as a part-time behavior interventionist and move Marissa Edmison from paraprofessional to substitute teacher position. Motion carried 5-0 with Whalen abstaining. There were no coaching positions to act on and no action was taken.
9. Discussion between the board members to change the start time of future regular monthly board meetings at 6:00 p.m. vs. 7:00 p.m. Action to be taken at next month's meeting.
10. Motion by Sacia, second by Dunn to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Michelle Murray
Recorder of Minutes