

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
February 22, 2016

Board President Marlane Anderson called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Del DeBerg, High School Principal Jeff Arzt, ECH-8th Gr. Principal Corey Peterson, Finance Administrator Kim Bobo. Board Members present: Shane Zeman and Terry Blaken, Rick Paisley, Becky Whalen and Kathy Dunn.

Motion by Dunn, second by Zeman to approve the minutes from last month's meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: An email was read by Mr. DeBerg from the officiating team of the girls' basketball game at C-FC. They were very complimentary and spoke highly of the coaches, spectators, and athletes for their sportsmanship at this particular game.

Administrator's Report

1. The spring play, 'Once Upon a High School' will be performed Feb. 25 & 26.
2. Congratulations to Titan wrestlers Sam Higley and Dakota Daffinson. They will be heading to individual state wrestling competition this weekend.
3. Congratulations are also in order for the High School Boys Basketball team; they are the Dairyland Conference Champs.
4. The district has an official Facebook page up and running.
5. Budget Committee meeting will be held on March 18 at 6:30 a.m.
6. In 2018 the WIAA will start a tournament series for 8-player football.

Open Forum- Kathy Dunn complimented Mr. Erik Hanson and his band students. Another great band concert was performed by the 6-12th grade students this past week.

Finance

Expenditures and Receipts through January were reviewed. Motion by Whalen, second by Dunn to approve the check summary and vouchers in the amount of \$1,275,061.63. Motion carried 5-0. The Cash Flow and, Activity accounts were reviewed. It was also noted that the last bond payment was made and the school district is currently debt free.

Other Business

1. High School Spanish teacher Samantha Schmidt presented information and a request to allow her students to travel to Costa Rica for eight days in June 2017. She gave an overview of the schedule and costs. A minimum of 6 students must commit to go or the trip won't take place. Motion by Paisley, second by Whalen to approve the trip. Motion carried 5-0. In a second request, Sharon Pfaff requested to travel to Chanhassen Dinner Theater to watch a play. Motion by Paisley, second by Blaken. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Motion by Blaken, second by Whalen to keep the March board meeting on March 28. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Motion by Blaken, second by Whalen to hire Bray Architectural firm for our facility analysis. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Motion by Dunn, second by Paisley to approve the early graduation request for Amber Anderson. The Navy requires a letter from the district confirming that she has graduated. By graduating early she will be excluded from scholarship and the senior class trip. Amber and her mom are aware of this. Motion by Dunn, second by Paisley to approve this special request. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Motion by Dunn, second by Blaken to approve a one-year sabbatical from head football coach for Tom Wisnewski. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Since the sabbatical for Tom Wisnewski was approved, no action was necessary regarding the resignation of head football coach. Motion by Whalen, second by Zeman to approve the resignations of Jen Lefler as C-Team Volleyball, Brent Hangartner as Assistant Track & Field, and Ed Hoskins as volunteer Soccer coaching positions. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Motion by Dunn, second by Zeman to approve 2nd grade teacher Kathy Reid's request for time off without pay in order to attend her husband's Army graduation ceremony. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Motion by Paisley, second by Blaken to keep the Debt Service account open. Motion carried 5-0.
9. Motion by Whalen, second by Paisley to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Michelle Murray
Recorder of Minutes