

**Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education**  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting  
Monday, February 24, 2020

Board President Rick Paisley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Jeff Arzt, 7-12<sup>th</sup> Gr. Principal Rick Dobb and ECH-6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Principal Corey Peterson. Board Members present: Shane Zeman, Terry Blaken, Kathy Dunn, Becky Whalen, Jodi Anderson and Kim Sacia. All who were present then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Sacia, second by Zeman to approve the minutes from last month's meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

**Correspondence:** Thank you cards acknowledging the memorials sent to Mike Hesse & Kim Bobo. Both of their mothers passed away recently.

**Administrator's Report:** Beginning with tonight's meeting the administrative team would like the school board meeting agenda to reflect our new mission statement "KIDS Come First". Our goal is to make sure one agenda item focuses on the accomplishments or activities of our students. Tonight will be a presentation from the Junior High Robotics Club.

Clint Selle from Bray Architects will be sending maps of the building to share with the local fire departments to use in case of an emergency at the school.

Sixty-one high school students successfully completed transcribed credits through Western Technical College. CADD classes had 16 students, Wood Tech with 21 and 24 students in Child Development.

Radon testing of the building began today and will conclude this Thursday. Results will be available within a few weeks.

Congratulations to all our athletes. Conference Champs: Girls Basketball-Undefeated in conference over the past four years. Co-op Wrestling: Three years in a row conference champions and Co-op Girls Gymnastics. In addition, seven wrestlers qualified for individual state competition. The Black River Falls co-op girls' hockey team won one of the longest games in high school history with 122 total minutes played and 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in Solo/Ensemble competition this past Thursday with great success.

A CDL prep class is open to the community and students over 18 who are interested in getting their CDL license. The cost is \$49 and will be held in our Distance Learning Lab March 30-April 2.

The new maintenance shed is nearing completion and will be inspected by the state on March 2.

**Open Forum:** Another great band performance by Mr. Hanson and his students along with guest triangle player, Mr. Arzt.

**Finance:** Review of the expenditures and receipts through January. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to approve the check summary & vouchers in the amount of \$752,378.08. Motion carried 6-0.

**Other Business:**

1. Head Football coach Tory Lockington requested approval to allow interested players to attend a football fundamentals camp in Ladysmith June 7-9. Motion carried 6-0.
2. Motion by Sacia, second by Dunn to approve Jim Stanton's request to start a high school fishing team. Motion carried 6-0. Students will join the Student Anglers Association.

3. Mr. Arzt presented the Building & Grounds report and provided the board members with a listing of items that need to be completed in high, medium and low priorities. This report was compiled by former Building & Grounds Director Tony Proft.
4. Elementary Principal Corey Peterson provided a report about the recent school safety drill conducted on February 7, 2020.
5. Motion by Blaken, second by Sacia to approve the modified schedule for Madysen Hintz for second semester. Motion carried 6-0.
6. Motion by Dunn, second by Whalen to approve the resignations of Building & Grounds Director Tony Proft, Transportation Director-Brant Young, effective July 1, 2020, and bus driver Dan Kettner . Resigning their coaching positions include Deanna Stanton as head softball coach and Lindsay Rozek as assistant softball coach. Motion carried 6-0.
7. Motion by Whalen, second by Zeman to hire Kristy Jaskiewicz as a special education paraprofessional, Lindsay Rozek, as head softball coach and Angela Osgood, as assistant softball coach. Motion carried 6-0.
8. Motion by Sacia, second by Anderson to hear the second reading and approve board policies: 330-Curriculum Development & Improvement and 342.1-Program for Students with Disabilities. Motion carried 6-0.
9. The first reading of board policies and therefore no action was taken: 333-Parent Rights in Relation to District Programs/Activities & Student Privacy, 346-Student Assessment & 346-Exhibit 1-Annual Notice of Student Assessment Information.
10. Motion by Sacia, second by Zeman to approve requests (FFA & AP Government, High school literature and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students) to travel outside the 100-mile field trip radius. Motion carried 6-0.
11. Motion by Dunn, second by Whalen to increase the field trip radius requiring board approval from 100 to 250 miles. Motion carried 6-0.
12. Motion by Zeman second by roll call vote to adjourn to Executive Session 19.85 1(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or evaluation of personnel at 8:07 p.m.
13. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to reconvene to Open Session at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.
14. Motion by Zeman, second by Dunn to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Michelle Murray  
Recorder of Minutes