

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

May 20, 2024

CONVENE

Board President Rick Paisley called the regular monthly meeting of the Melrose-Mindoro School Board of Education to order 6:15 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Deanna Wiatt, 7-12th Grade Principal Richard Dobbs, ECH-6th Principal Corey Peterson, and Finance Administrator Casey Pfaff. Board Members present: Terry Blaken, Becky Whalen, Kim Sacia, Geoff Rozek (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Shane Zeman, and Emily Stanton. All who were present then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Zeman, second by Sacia to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY:

1. **Correspondence:** Ms. Wiatt wanted to thank the board and administration for the donation in memory of her mother who recently passed away.
2. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

- State Highway 108 culvert & road work is progressing with minimal wait times. Project is scheduled for completion mid-June.
- May has been a busy month new health insurance training Janice Wavra from The Insurance Center was here May 7 to discuss the new health insurance plan. This meeting was recorded and sent out to staff to listen to. Another meeting is scheduled for May 31 for those who were not able to attend the meeting. Professional contracts have been sent out to staff.
- The 2023 Five-Year School Self-Evaluation Summary for Status of Pupil Nondiscrimination & Equality of Educational Opportunity report is nearing completion and will be available very soon online for review.
- A ribbon cutting ceremony was held last Thursday, May 16 for our new electric bus. Carol Blaken from Jackson Electric along with Deanna and other school staff and students were present.
- *HMH IntoMath* has been chosen as the math curriculum program for 7-12th grade students. After piloting different curriculums, elementary teachers have selected *CKLA* (English Language Arts) curriculum for their students.
- Ag teacher Steve Boe has been selected as NewsChannel 8's 'Top Notch Teacher'. Look for the segment coming in July. It is bittersweet as Mr. Boe is leaving the district to work in state government's Farm to Power program.
- Elementary building recently held their VIP Days along with Breakfast and Books. Both were a great success. Scholarship night for our graduating seniors was held last week and Ms. Wiatt was amazed at how generous our local community organizations and clubs are with the amount of monetary scholarships that are given.
- Graduation ceremonies were held for our Kindergarten, 8th grade and seniors.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting:** Motion by Stanton, second by Blaken to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
2. **Finance:** Review of the expenditures and receipts through April. There were no budget changes. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to approve the check summary & vouchers in the amount of \$791,742.54. Motion carried 5-0. Cash flow and activity accounts were reviewed.
3. **Personnel Report:** **Resignations:** Motion by Blaken, second by Whalen to approve the resignations of Darcy Sawyer & Laura Rhyme as co-head junior high volleyball coaches. Motion carried 5-0. **Hiring:** Motion by Stanton, second by Sacia to hire Darcy Sawyer & Laura Rhyme as co-head high school volleyball coaches. Motion carried 5-0. **Retirement:** None.

DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION

1. **Consider Request for Overnight Football Camp:** Motion by Zeman, second by Blaken to approve the request for the high school football team to attend an overnight football camp in Ladysmith, WI. Motion carried 5-0.

2. **Consider 2024-2025 LP Bids**-Three bids were received. Allied Coop: \$1.79/gal, Chippewa Valley Energy: \$1.2999/gal and Consolidated Energy at \$1.153/gal. Motion by Blaken, second by Zeman to accept the bid from Consolidated Energy. Motion carried 5-0.
3. **Consider 2024-2025 Open Enrollment Applications:** Motion by Sacia, second by Zeman to approve the applications from 17 students to open enroll out of the district and eight applications for students to open enroll in to the district. Motion carried 5-0.
4. **Consider Donations Over \$500**-Motion by Whalen, second by Blaken to accept donations over \$500 to go towards the Academic Decathlon and DECA. Motion carried 5-0.
5. **Consider Senior Request for Reduced Schedule in 2024-2025 school year:** Motion by Stanton, second by Zeman to allow Kadin Adams, Dante Flury and Ava Campbell's requests for a reduced schedule next school year. They all are on track to graduate. Motion carried 5-0.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Zeman, second by roll call vote to move to Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats 19.85 (1) (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility" and (1)(f) 'Considering financial medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data'. Motion by Blaken, second by Zeman to return to regular session at 8:10 PM.

Motion by Zeman, second by Sacia to agree to not offer dual sports for students in our athletic department. Motion carried 6-0. (Rozek arrived at 6:45 p.m.)

Motion by Sacia, second by Zeman to approve the support staff salary model as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Whalen, second by Zeman to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Michelle Murray
Recorder of Minutes