

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

May 20, 2013

Board President Marlane Anderson called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Melrose-Mindoro School Board of Education at 7:00 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Del DeBerg, High School Principal Jeff Arzt, K-8 Principal Corey Peterson, Finance Administrator Kim Bobo, Board Members present: Becky Gerdes, Rick Paisley, Joel Konze, Kathy Dunn, Shane Zeman and Terry Blaken.

Motion by Gerdes, second by Dunn to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Correspondence- Thank you card from Rod Everson was read to the Board. He thanked the employees of the district for the gift card he received.

Administrator's Report

1. Graduation ceremonies will be held this Friday, May 24 at 8:00 p.m. Kathy & Rick will be on stage handing out diplomas.
2. Thank you to the Town of Farmington for donating 12 loads of salt/sand to the district.
3. Congratulations to the Academic Decathlon for placing 5th out of 15 teams in their division at national competition.
4. The Yearbook staff received an award from Josten's/National Yearbook Program of Excellence for their 2012-13 yearbook. Great job done by the staff and Advisor Deb Hoerres.
5. WIAA granted schools permission to schedule games after the final rounds of competitions this year. Several events were canceled due to the weather.
6. There is a team of five administrators and teachers that are attending the Effective Educator training held in WI Dells this week.

Open Forum –None

Finance

Expenditures and Receipts through April were reviewed. Motion by Gerdes, second by Paisley to approve the check summary and vouchers in the amount of \$916,435.66. Motion carried 6-0. The Cash Flow and Activity accounts were reviewed.

Other Business

1. Mr. DeBerg provided updates to the state and local budgets. According to the DPI, a district should have a fund balance that is equal to approximately 20% of its Fund 10 budget. Our district has 10.95%. This fund balance changes daily, weekly, and monthly. Fund balance is not cash on hand. It is the difference between a district's assets minus liabilities.
2. After a review of the Vision Therapy program a motion was made to continue the program but scale it back to half the time and review results annually. An attempt to find other employment within the district for the aides affected by the cut will be made. Motion carried 5-1 with Gerdes abstaining and Blaken with the no vote.
3. Motion by Gerdes, second by Dunn to approve the 2013-14 open enrollment requests. Motion carried 7-0.
4. Motion by Gerdes, second by Paisley to approve the local government property insurance with the State of WI. Motion carried 7-0.
5. Motion by Dunn, second by Blaken to formally accept the donation of materials and labor for a new trophy case at the high school. Motion carried 7-0. Donators include ACT Concrete, Becker Homes, Zeman Flooring, Gerdes Flooring, and Pat Sacia Construction.
6. The first reading of the policy for displaying trophies and other awards was read. Motion by Gerdes second by Blaken to accept with some minor changes. Motion carried 7-0. The second reading will be next month.
7. Motion by Blaken second by Konze to approve Kari Johnson as the junior high athletic director. Motion carried 7-0.
8. Motion by Gerdes, second by Dunn to hire Christan Miller as the Mindoro building secretary. Motion carried 7-0.
9. Motion by Zeman, second by Dunn to pay Water Safety Instructors \$13.72 per hour and lifeguards a .10 increase per hour. Pool director Sandy Paisley will receive a \$200 increase in pay. Motion carried 6-0 with Paisley abstaining.

10. Motion by Paisley, second by Blaken to appoint Marlane Anderson as the CESA 4 representative for the June 5 CESA meeting. Motion carried 7-0. Marlane has submitted her resignation from the CESA Board of Control.
11. Motion by Dunn, second by Zeman to approve the Youth Options program for 2013-14. There are three students who have expressed an interest in spring classes next year. Motion carried 7-0.
12. Motion by Paisley, second by Konze to make soccer a varsity level sport. Motion carried 7-0.
13. Motion by Konze, second by Blaken to table the decision to drop long-term coverage until further information is received from WEA Insurance. Motion carried 7-0. Ruth Zielsdorf and Ilene Pavelko represented the retired teachers who currently have this insurance and interested teachers (retired and active) would have a large 'pay up' option in order to fulfill the 30-year premium payment. This is the 14th year the district has had long-term care coverage. Currently the district and teachers split the premiums equally.
14. Motion by Paisley, second by Zeman to switch health care providers from Gundersen Health Plan to WEA Insurance. WEA will also be the insurance carrier for dental instead of Delta Dental. Both changes will take effect July 1, 2013. Motion carried 7-0.
15. Motion by Dunn, second by Gerdes to approve a 2.07% increase in professional staff wages for the 2013-14 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
16. Motion by Konze, second by Blaken to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Michelle Murray
Recorder of Minutes