

Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Special Board Meeting

October 17, 2018

Board President Marlane Anderson called the special board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Jeff Arzt. 7-12 Principal Rick Dobbs, ECH-6th Principal Corey Peterson. Board Members present: Rick Paisley, Shane Zeman, Terry Blaken, Becky Whalen, Kathy Dunn and Kim Sacia.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Administrator's Report: Last week was school board appreciation week and Mr. Arzt formally thanked the board members for the leadership they provide every year.

-40+ video cameras have been installed and another 20 more are on the way. This is part of the second round of the school safety grant the district received.

-Congratulations to the volleyball, football and girls cross country programs for winning the conference champion titles. All of our student athletes are accomplishing great things!

-A community member wanted to purchase one of the school flagpoles but it was decided that they will be sold at auction with the buildings.

-The Jackson County Sheriff's Department would like to use the Melrose building on October 25 for another round of training. They will coordinate with the new owners pending the sale of the building.

Other Business:

1. The Fund 10 expenses could be up from what was previously reported for the 2018-19 budget due to several scenarios which include:
 - a. Grant money: what comes in through grant money as revenue must also be included as expenses.
 - b. Expenses for a high needs student could be approximately \$80,000.
 - c. Additional expense for another elementary education aide.
 - d. School Resource Deputy costs-trying to get a final number on cost.
 - e. The district received a matching fund grant for distance learning opportunities. In order to receive this grant, the district must match the grant money.
 - f. May add a few hours to current custodial staff due to increased square footage.
 - g. Possible addition of an after school care coordinator
2. The district's former official newspaper, *The Jackson County Chronicle*, has ceased operations causing the district to select a new paper for required legal publications. Motion by Dunn, second by Paisley to select the *Banner Journal* as the newspaper for any required legal publications. Motion carried 6-0. The district website will continue to be utilized for future postings such as board agendas, minutes, special meetings, etc.
3. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to hire Phillip Wanke in Food Service, and Carrie Owen as custodial. Motion carried 6-0. Both positions are part time.
4. Motion by Blaken, second by Zeman to accept the resignation of head baseball coach Joey Arneson. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Motion by Zeman, second by roll call vote to adjourn to closed session to consider submitted offer(s) to purchase the Melrose Elementary building, Mindoro Elementary building and Mindoro Bus garage and lot, pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85(1)(e), which permits a closed session for deliberating or negotiation for the purchase of public properties and for conducting other business where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.
6. Motion by Paisley, second by Zeman to reconvene to Open Session at 6:54 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Sacia to accept the offer to purchase the Melrose Elementary building from Mondola Hemp for \$42,000 plus \$10,000 for its remaining contents and to authorize the president and the clerk to execute any and all contracts and documents necessary to effectuate the transfer of this property. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by Blaken to accept the offer to purchase the Mindoro Elementary building from Hixton Mall, LLC for \$32,500 and to authorize the president and the clerk to execute any and all contracts and documents necessary to effectuate the transfer of this property. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by Sacia to accept the offer to purchase the Mindoro Bus Garage from David Rucker for \$30,100 and to authorize the president and the clerk to execute any and all contracts and documents necessary to effectuate the transfer of this property. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Michelle Murray
Recorder of Minutes