

School Board Minutes
Montpelier Public School District #14
214 7th Ave
Montpelier, ND 58472
April 12th, 2017

Board Members Present: President Tony Roorda, Julie Jansen, Scott Harms, Shane Steele, and Lynn Boom. Absent: Robert Froehlich, and Dave Jansen.

Also Present: Superintendent Jerry Waagen, Business Manager Amy Maurer, and Secondary Principal James Bear.

Call to Order: President Roorda called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Agenda: The following was added to the agenda: 1) Teacher resignation 2) Reconfiguration of time waiver.

Correspondence: 1) The James River Special Education cooperative met all IDEA regulations for 2015-16. 2) The technology grant that Mr. Bear applied for went to Park River.

Consent Agenda: Boom made a motion, seconded by Harms, to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approval of the bills and financial reports.
- b. Approval of the minutes from the March 8th, 2017 regular meeting, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Secondary Principal's Report: Mr. Bear reported 1) Mrs. Schuetz took several junior high girls to the Expanding Your Horizons conference on April 8th 2) Prom went well 3) High School Awards will be on May 19th at 2:00 pm 4) On the last day of school, high schoolers will go to the University of Jamestown for college career talks and tour Don Wilhelm's for career information 5) Former Montpelier science teacher, Mr. Jacob Haag, has donated \$500.00 to the district for the meals out that are awarded to the 4.0 GPA students 5) Mr. Bear attended the SEEC meeting where there was discussion of the Healthy Schools summit, keeping teacher evaluations impartial, and using data.

Superintendent/Elementary Principals Report: 1) Students in grades 3-5 attended workshops at the Prairie Waters Education and Research Center in Kathryn on March 21. 2) Elementary students participated in their annual roller skating classes during PE. The fee for the roller skating was covered by the PTO. 3) Mrs. Ratts attended a two-day training on early elementary childhood education in Bismarck on March 23 and 24. 4) Held our final early release on April 5. Elementary staff reviewed and discussed ELA curriculum for the upcoming year. High school staff had Mrs. Schuetz do QPR training relating to signs of suicide recognition and methods to assist students. 5) Mr. Wright and I attended the football, volleyball, and basketball cooperative meeting on April 5. Items discussed included Montpelier's share of cost for the football program and the number of home volleyball and basketball games at Edgeley and Kulm. Also discussed was the evaluation of coaches. 6) The group Tigirlily performed for our students along with students from Litchville/Marion and Gackle/Streeter on April 12. Montpelier's cost of the concert was paid by the PTO and Mr. Waagen. 7) We have received official notice that we received final approval by the AdvancED Accreditation Commission.

Student Records: Harms made a motion, seconded by Boom to go into executive session as allowed by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act to discuss student educational records. The motion carried unanimously.

The board went into executive session at 6:20 pm.

The board returned to open session at 6:26 pm.

Boom made a motion, seconded by Steele to uphold the high school principal's recommendation for the student. The motion carried unanimously.

Policies: The board did the first readings of the proposed hot lunch payment policy and the proposed support staff payday policy.

The payment of all support staff holidays over Christmas/winter break was discussed.

Summer Workers: Jansen made a motion, and Harms seconded to hire Hobie Bear as fulltime summer help and Ethan Meyer as as-needed summer help. The motion carried unanimously.

Bus Bids: The sealed bids were opened and discussed. Three from Harlow's for \$52,650.00, \$52,325, and \$51,550 all with \$1500.00 possible trade in, and two from Trucks of Bismarck for \$53,520 and \$50,499. Harms made a motion, seconded by Jansen to purchase the 2017, single axle, Starcraft, for \$51,500 with a \$1500.00 possible trade-in. The motion carried unanimously. The bid was awarded based on the heavier vehicle weight and possibility of trade in.

Building Update: Ottetail will be moving power lines and trimming the tree that's close to the power lines on Friday. Scherbenske's will be removing the old fuel tank and tree with roots close to power/fiber optic lines on Monday. Tony Roorda will be providing 60 yards of sand and will deliver it during the weekend.

There will be a construction meeting at 1:00 9m Tuesday, April 18th.

Committee Meeting Schedule: The negotiations committee will be meeting with teachers on Monday the 17th.

With no three-on-three fundraiser last year the athletic fund currently has a negative balance. This fund is used to pay for things like referees, balls and equipment, and participation fees.

SEEC Reconfiguration of Instructional time: Jansen made a motion, seconded by Boom to approve SEEC making the reconfiguration of instructional time request to NDDPI on our behalf. The motion carried unanimously.

Letter of resignation: A letter of resignation effective as of the end of the school year from music teacher, Mrs. Renee Bowen, was read. She has accepted a position as elementary principal in Litchville. Harms made a motion, seconded by Boom to reluctantly accept the resignation from Mrs. Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.

Teacher negotiations: Harms made a motion, seconded by Boom to go into executive session to discuss teacher negotiations strategy as allowed by NDCC44-04-19.1 (9) as discussion in open meeting would have an adverse effect on the bargaining position of the board. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

The board went into executive session at 7:28 pm.

The board returned to open session at 8:10 pm.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Tony Roorda, Board President

Amy Maurer, Business Manager

Approval Date