

School Board Minutes
Montpelier Public School District #14
214 7th Ave
Montpelier, ND 58472
April 12th, 2016

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

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

Call to Order: President Roorda called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Agenda: The following items were added to the agenda: 1) Custodial position. 2) Student records. 3) Open enrollment was removed from the consent agenda.

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

1. Approval of the bills and financial reports.
2. Approval of the minutes from March 9th meeting, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Secondary Principal Report: Mr. Bear reported that thirteen students competed in the University of Jamestown math competition today. While they did not place, they tested very well. The 9-12 class schedules are sorted out with some small changes having been made to how they were done in the past.

Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report: Mr. Waagen reported: 1) Students in grades 6-8 traveled to Jamestown to participate in a day of STEM activities. 2) Our Literacy Event sponsored by PBS was big success with parents of children from both in and out of the district attended. 3) The oral hygienist was here on March 30 for follow visits with students he saw previously. 4) Barb Orr did presentation to students in grades 2, 3 and 5 concerning farm safety. 5) Luella Morehouse has begun her food and nutrition presentations to the elementary students. The program runs for a length of 5 weeks. 6) Mr. Waagen attended a NDPI update presentation of the new federal law *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA) in Fargo on April 7. 7) The state NDASA testing is completed with the technology portion running much better than last year. This was a statewide issue last year. 8) Elementary will be getting new textbooks, adopting the Houghton Mifflin Science Focus series. 9) The final early release date will be held on Wednesday, April 13 with students being released at 1:45. The staff will be learning about the effects of childhood trauma on student behavior and learning. 10) Mr. Waagen participated in an AdvancED external review and learned much about the process and the many aspects of the school it reviews which will be very helpful when our school is reviewed next spring. 11) Lunch prices for 2016-17 will be reviewed at the May meeting. 12) The teachers have requested that the policy committee readdress the sick leave policy. A committee meeting will need to be scheduled.

Student: The board concurred that they would go into executive session as allowed by as allowed by NDCC 44-04-19.2 and the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act for the purpose of discussing a student's educational record.

They went into executive session at 6:15 pm.

The board returned to open session at 6:22 pm.

Kjellberg made a motion, seconded by Froehlich to implement the secondary principal's recommendation for the student involved. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Teacher Resignation: Mr. Waagen read a letter of resignation effective as of the end of the school year from physical education/health teacher Mr. Brent Nelson who has accepted another position. Harms made a motion, seconded by Steele, to accept the resignation. A roll call vote was taken: Harms-aye, Steele-aye, Froehlich-aye, Boom-nay, Kjellberg-aye, Roorda-aye. (5-1) Motion carried.

Teacher Position: Mr. Waagen reported that he and Mr. Bear conducted five interviews with candidates for the physical education/health position. He recommended the hire of Mr. Tyler Schnaubert.

Harms made a motion, seconded by Froehlich to hire Mr. Schnaubert for the physical education/ health teacher position for the 2016-2017 school year. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Edgeley/Kulm/Montpelier Coop Agreement: Boom made a motion, seconded by Froehlich, to approve the cooperative agreement with Edgeley/Kulm/Montpelier with no changes from the previous agreement. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Parent Survey: A parent survey to be sent to parents of students being open enrolled out of the district was reviewed and concurred to be acceptable by the board.

7th/8th Grade Football Cooperative: Dissolving the 7th-8th grade football cooperative with Jamestown was discussed. The board will postpone action until next month and hopefully they will have a firm commitment from Ellendale, Edgeley and Kulm to allow Montpelier to join that cooperative. The 9-12 high school football cooperative with Jamestown will remain in place for next year.

Summer Workers: Mr. Waagen recommends hiring Carla Johnson and Cody Henne to help with cleaning and maintenance this summer. Kjellberg made a motion, seconded by Harms to hire Carla Johnson for \$13.00 per hour, and Cody Henne for \$10.00 per hour for cleaning and maintenance for the summer. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Janitorial Position: Froehlich made a motion, seconded by Steele to hire Mr. Randy Henne as full-time custodian/maintenance at a rate of \$14.00 per hour with the wage to be readdressed after 90 days. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Building Committee Update: Estimates to replace the flooring in the kitchen and on the stage with new no wax commercial flooring were received from Smitty's \$10,819.25 and Schubert's \$13,869.54. Smitty's would patch and level the current floor and install the new flooring over it. Schubert's would require the floor to be stripped by someone else prior to beginning work.

Harms made a motion, seconded by Froehlich to approve hiring Smitty's to replace the stage and kitchen flooring. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion on the proposed new building. Some concerns have been raised by parents about having only one unisex bathroom. It was noted that the bathrooms inside the school are not very far away. Mr. Waagen is not getting clear answers from the state electrical board. It was discussed that new furnishings would have to wait. The board concurred that a public meeting would wait until bids were received to see if the project is possible financially and to have real numbers prior to the meeting.

Harms made a motion, seconded by Boom to approve the building committee using their discretion for the details and putting the project out for bids. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Teacher Negotiations: Impasse laws were reviewed. Harms made a motion, seconded by Froehlich 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 7:20 pm.

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

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

May 12th, 2016

Tony Roorda, Board President

Amy Maurer, Business Manager

Approval Date