

School Board Minutes
Montpelier Public School District #14
214 7th Ave
Montpelier, ND 58472
February 11th, 2015

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

Also Present: Superintendent Jerry Waagen, and Business Manager Amy Maurer.

Visitor: Orrin Kluting, senior class representative.

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

Agenda: The following items were added to the agenda: 1) Senior privileges 2) Committee meeting dates.

Consent Agenda: On motion by Froehlich, seconded by Rode, the following consent agenda items were approved. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Harms, Boom, Rode, Froehlich, Roorda, and Kjellberg. (6). Nay: None (0). Motion carried.

- a. Approval of the bills and financial reports.
- b. Approval of the minutes from the January 14th regular meeting, January 24th special meeting, and January 24th board retreat.
- c. Approval of one non-tuition agreement for a student from Jamestown to attend in Montpelier for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.

Secondary Principal/AD Report: 1) The Acalympics took place this month. 2) Mr. Godfrey will be attending the National Association of Secondary School Principals conference in San Diego this month. 3) Mr. Godfrey is reviewing increasing the number of credits needed for graduation. 4) Consideration is being given to teaching pre-algebra in 7th and 8th grade, rather than just 8th. 5) The security cameras have been installed.

Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report: 1) Mr. Waagen attended the ND Association of School Administrators conference in Bismarck on January 25-27. He attended the ND Small Organized Schools meeting on Sunday where much of the discussion was on increasing transportation funding. There was a presentation on methods to improve student learning. There was a ND High School Activities Association meeting which discussed new academic eligibility standards. TFFR presented an update. There may be research in the state on Closing the Achievement Gap in Rural Districts. 2) Common Core Bill 1461 failed in the house. The Smarter Balance testing failed by just 5 votes. 3) There was an early release today for teachers to attend training on the use of SLDS data. The training was presented by Amy Engelhard from DPI. 4) The county spelling bee was today with one student making it to orals and several students earning ribbons. 5) The elementary students have been really enjoying a two week session of roller skating sponsored by the PTO. 6) Mr. Waagen is working to arrange an asbestos inspection. 7) The ceiling in the kitchen has been repaired.

Student Education Record: Boom made a motion, seconded by Harms, to go into executive session 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. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Harms, Boom, Rode, Froehlich, Roorda, and Kjellberg. (6). Nay: None (0). Motion carried.

*Jansen arrived.

The executive session began at 6:13pm and was attended by: Board Members Scott Harms, Lynn Boom, Kirk Rode, Robert Froehlich, Julie Jansen, Tony Roorda, and Shane Kjellberg. Superintendent Jerry Waagen, and Business Manager Amy Maurer. The student and the students' parents.

The executive session adjourned at 6:18pm.

Froehlich made a motion, seconded by Kjellberg, to affirm the administration's recommendation for the student. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Harms, Boom, Rode, Froehlich, Jansen, Roorda, and Kjellberg (7). Nay: None (0). Motion carried.

Senior Privileges: Mr. Kluting requested several senior privileges on behalf of the class of 2015. After discussion, Jansen made a motion seconded by Boom to approve the senior privileges as follows: 1) Open study halls. Vehicles may not be used. 2) May cut to the front of the lunch line. 3) May use their Ipods/phones to listen to music. All privileges are at the discretion of the teachers and administration and only students with passing grades will get them. Assuming a roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

2015-2016 Calendar: The proposed 2015-2016 school calendar was reviewed and discussed. Rode made a motion, seconded by Harms to approve the recommended calendar. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Paraprofessional: Mr. Waagen recommends the hire of Joline Luck as a paraprofessional. This position has been approved through the JRSEU Cooperative. Jansen made a motion, seconded by Harms to approve hiring Joline Luck as paraprofessional at a rate of \$13.25 per hour. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

School Bus: Roorda shared information on a yellow 14 passenger bus that is for sale in Monticello, MN. It's a 14 passenger 2013 Chevy with a 6-liter gas engine and has 39,600 miles on it. They are asking \$39,900. He was told that similar new buses cost about \$50,000. After discussion, Kjellberg made a motion, seconded by Boom to post a request for bids for a new 14 passenger route bus. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The old spare bus was sold for \$1200.00.

Superintendent Evaluation: The final superintendent evaluation is due to be completed before March 15th. After discussion, Boom made a motion, seconded by Harms to approve the preliminary evaluation as the final evaluation. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Administration Negotiations: The best date to meet for negotiations was discussed.

Driver's Education: The summer driver's education program was discussed. Jansen made a motion, seconded by Rode to approve having a summer driver's education program and hiring Boyd Westman as teacher as long as there is at least four students. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

School Board Election: Boom made a motion, seconded by Harms to set the school board election date for June 9th and reschedule the regular June board meeting for June 15th. Assuming a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

School Board Retreat: The board concurred that the retreat was productive time spent.

Negotiations Seminar: Mr. Roorda said they were given lots of guidelines and heard the experiences of many other schools.

Committee Meetings: A finance committee meeting was set for 5:15pm on March 11th. A building committee meeting was set for 4:30 pm on March 11th. A policy committee meeting will be set for April.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

March 11th, 2015

Tony Roorda, Board President

Amy Maurer, Business Manager

Approval Date