

**School Board Minutes**  
**Montpelier Public School District #14**  
**214 7<sup>th</sup> Ave**  
**Montpelier, ND 58472**  
**December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Board Members Present:** President Tony Roorda, Scott Harms, Abram Valenta, Robert Froehlich and Wade Dally. Absent: Lynn Boom, and Jeff Jensen.

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

**Visitors:** Senior Class Representatives Derek Smith, George Ringuette, and MaKenzie Knight.

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

**Agenda:** No changes.

**Consent Agenda:** Froehlich made a motion, seconded by Harms, to approve the following:

- a. Approval of the bills and financial reports.
  - b. Approval of the minutes from the November 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, as presented.
  - c. Approval of no charge tuition agreement and open enrollments for two students into the district.
- The motion carried unanimously.

**Secondary Principal /Technology Coordinator Report:** Mr. Bear reported: 1) 14 students participated at the Barnes County Music Festival in Valley City. 2) 4 students attended the State Student Council Conference in Bismarck. 3) Student art is on display in the gymnasium. Next semester art classes will be increased to 2-3 times per week and be available for ¼ credit. 4) Mr. Bear “shadowed” the tenth-grade class one day. He went through the day attending classes, participating, and doing assignments as if he were a tenth grader. He found it a very valuable experience in understanding the student experience and also plans to use it as a tool in teacher evaluations. He plans to follow each grade 7-12 by the end of the school year. 5) The first committee meeting to work on belief/mission statements for the district went well. Committee members include teachers, administrators, students, a parent and a board member: Mrs. Hansen, Mr. Wright, Mr. Bear, Mr. Waagen, Logan Rich, Lane Froehlich, Lucinda Lien, and Abram Valenta.

**Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report:** Mr. Waagen reported: 1) The K-3 teachers along with Mrs. Bear, and himself have been attending the Writing Workshop professional development in Jamestown. The teachers are finding this to be a very good program to improve writing understanding. 2) PTO Bingo night was a success with many people attending. 3) The PK-12 Christmas concert will be held on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p. 4) Teachers continue to work with EdDirection coaching.

**Senior Privileges:** The visiting seniors presented their requests for privileges. After discussion, Valenta made a motion, seconded by Froehlich to approve the following privileges effective beginning with the second semester: 1) Seniors with passing grades may be exempt from resource times. 2) Seniors will be allowed a skip day in the form of an educational field trip supervised by at least one staff member with adequate notice to the administration. All privileges are at the discretion of the administration. The motion carried unanimously.

**Storm Day Time for Support Staff:** Mr. Waagen requested clarification on storm days missed by support staff. The board concurred the superintendent could use his discretion in assigning extra work hours up to the time missed for those support staff affected who would like to make up the time. The motion carried unanimously.

**Board Meeting Calendar:** After discussion Harms made a motion, seconded by Dally, to approve the proposed 2020 school board meeting calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

**School Board Retreat:** The retreat will be on January 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. A proposed agenda was reviewed.

**2020-2021 School Calendar:** A preliminary 2020-2021 school calendar was reviewed.

**Frontline/Aplitrak:** The teacher employment/recruitment tool was discussed. Harms made a motion, seconded by Valenta, to approve the memo of understanding/purchase of services with SEEC of Frontline's Aplitrak at a cost of \$362.50. The motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

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Tony Roorda, Board President

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Amy Maurer, Business Manager

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Approval Date