**Minutes**

**Regular Board of Education Meeting**

**February 8, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session February 8, 2017 in the boardroom of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School. President Jeff Schmitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Jeff Schmitz, Jason Morton, Brian Werries, Scott Gregory and Miranda Liehr. Members Kevin Duesterhaus and Kevin Kleinschmidt were absent. Also present were Supt. Thad Walker, JH/HS principal Dan Carie, Christina Brant and Shirley Bilyeu.

Member Miranda Liehr made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; and Miranda Liehr, yea. Motion carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.

There were no public comments.

Reports:

Superintendent’s Report:

* I would like to put $25,000 toward the purchase of a new playground system that the PCA are fundraising for. I have looked at the budget and we have enough money in working cash to do this transaction.
* We need to set some dates to start negotiations with the teachers.
* We needed to accept the resignation of Candace Vortman and hire a replacement aide for her for the rest

of the year. Her replacement will be Melissa Kackley.

* The old grade school building clean up is going well. Teachers have been back over and retrieving more things they need for their classrooms.
* We sent the Co-op papers in for Track. We have 34 signed up for the track team. Looking at 9 from Griggsville.
* We took the white truck over to Thiele’s Garage in Perry. They are doing needed repairs and the cost will be under $1000. New tires on the front, tie rods, idler arm and new exhaust will be put on.
* We had a boiler leak on the weekend of January 14th. Second Generation came in and replaced a gasket

 and Jerry was in as well to assist.

* The prisoners were at the old grade school on January 25th. They moved everything down to the gym and

Cafeteria. The only items left are the library books. We have a new home for them – Mrs. Manker’s lending library in Detroit.

* Quincy Public Schools did an auction with a reserve for the sale of their buildings. Some of their buildings are going to be used for high end apartments.
* We will need to have our water tested for lead. If the building was built before 1987 the water will need to be tested. We have until 12/31/2017 to do this. My thoughts are that we wait and see what the guidelines are going to be. Final guidelines are to be released within 90 days.
* I am getting a proprosal for a barrier in the small gym. I have contacted Lashcon for a bid. They can build a barrier that will fit the stage.
* American Recycling has picked up 25 desktops, 13 laptops, 7 LCDs, 12 CRTs. They are based out of Nebraska.
* In January – 928 books were checked out of the library.

Dates: CEO Luncheon will be on February 15th

 SIP Day – February 17

 Leadership Summit in Springfield will be February 21 & 22.

JH/HS Principal’s Report:

* CSI meeting in Springfield – February 1
* ATI Testing starts February 13-24. Jeff Schmitz asked if they could show results at March meeting.
* Mid-terms – February 3rd
* DLT setting up 2nd semester SIP Days
* Senior Night Girls Basketball – January 31 – Brooke Walker, Taylor Moudy
* Senior Night Boys Bsaketball – Tuesday, February 14 – Grant Duesterhaus, Brooke Walker
* SIP Day – February 17
* HS Volleyball coach in 2017-2018 Position (2 applicants)
* February 4 – Tri-County Biddy Basketball at Meredosia
* February 8 – CSI Conference on Building Culture – Bloomington
* PARCC Testing will start March 13th
* Juniors are going to “Grapes of Wrath” performance at Sangamon Auditorium on March 8th
* Triopia accepted resignation of Travis Sievers as Head Softball Coach and he’s applying for assistant Baseball Coach

Member Miranda Liehr made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:38 p.m. to discuss litigation, land acquisition, negotiations, student disciplinary cases, and to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea; and Jeff Schmitz, yea. Motion carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.

Members came out of executive session at 8:21 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to accept the resignation of Candace Vortman, Grade School paraprofessional aide. Member Miranda Liehr seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea; Jeff Schmitz, yea and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.

The board authorized the school administration to spend up to $25,000 towards school playground equipment project.

Member Miranda Liehr made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Motion carried via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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President, Jeff Schmitz

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Secretary, Miranda Liehr