

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
January 9, 2019
7:00 p.m.

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session January 9, 2019 in the boardroom of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School. President Jason Morton called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Jason Morton, Kevin Dueterhaus, Brian Werries, Madeline Buhlig, Jeff Browning, Scott Gregory, and Alan Taylor. Also present were Superintendent Thad Walker, Principal, Dan Carie, Carolyn Browning, secretary, Christina Brant, Shirley Bilyeu, Jenny Chute, Tessa Walker and Jordan Dixon.

Brian Werries made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

No Public Comments

Reports:

Tessa Walker, Jordan Dixon and Jenny Chute, senior class sponsor were in attendance to present the senior social class proposed trip to Hawaii. Tessa Walker passed out handouts to the board and went over the itinerary. They will leave April 30th and return May 5, 2019.

Superintendent's Report:

- Our bus lease will be up this year for the Micro Bird. I would like to replace it with the same model. I will have the packet if you would like to look at it in the meeting.
- I have requested some information on the Solar Powered Energy. I met with Brian Frericks from QFB Energy. They are energy brokers. He is going to send our information to the Solar girl and she is going to prepare a presentation for the board. He is also going to work with me on the Ameren grant for the lighting if we decide to proceed with ceiling tile. I will have more information for you at the meeting.
- Mr. Carie and I will be attending the ESSA Conference in Chicago on February 11 & 12th. This will be paid for out of our LEAD grant. There will be no cost to the school.
- We have had 3 people express interest about the transportation position. I will discuss this further in executive session. We had 2 take the initial class on Saturday, January 5th.
- We had an incident Wednesday morning, December 19th. A first grade student brought his medicine to school on the bus and broke the bottle on the bus. We are not sure how many pills he had in the bottle and he said he took a few extra. Mrs. Martin called poison control and we had an ambulance on standby in case we could not get in touch with the parent. Mom came and got the student so the ambulance was not needed. Thanks to Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Carmean. Great job! Everything went very smooth.
- Through the IL-Empower Grant I will be ordering 57 Dell Chromebooks and 3 charging carts. We will have those up and running by mid February – first March.
- The Christmas celebrations went very well. The staff and students seemed to enjoy the week long festivities. The staff party went well and we had enough gift cards and items donated for all staff to get something. They ranged from \$10 to \$25 and all were donated from area businesses. Thanks to Mrs. Rahe and the communities for the donations.
- We picked up the new van and it is very nice.
- Looking forward to the new year. We have a lot going on with the new assessment tool, new teaching practices in place and trauma training. It seems to be moving along well.
- Looking into getting a load of gravel by crosswalk and to the side of David Werries house where Lynelle Campbell parks car for crosswalk.

Principal's Report –JH/HS:

- Renaissance 360 webinar scheduled for Wednesday, January 9th was postponed due to trouble on Renaissance end. Will have them January 16 and 30th.
- M-C Giving tree: still raising money till January 11th
- January 21 – HS girls basketball game versus Meredosia
- February 9th – Tri-County Bidy basketball at Meredosia. Jason Mehaffy is the coach for 1st/2nd graders; Mr. Carie is coach for 3rd/4th graders.
- February 8th – Midterms
- February 13 and 14th – Parent/Teacher Conferences from 3-7 p.m.
- February 23rd – Dancing With The Stars K12 PCA. Money from this will benefit After Prom and K12PCA.
- HS boys basketball was a success on January 3rd at Meredosia
- ESSA Conference in Chicago February 11 & 12th with Mr. Walker. Paid out of the LEAD Grant.

Member Kevin Dueterhaus made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:26 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 Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

Members came out of executive session at 8:01 p.m.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve new IASB School District Polity updates. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, present; Jason Morton, yea; and Kevin Dueterhaus, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Member Brian Werries made the motion to accept letter of intent to retire at end of the school year from Bob Spoon, Head of Transportation/Bus Driver. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; and Brian Werries, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Dueterhaus made the motion to accept letter of intent to retire at end of the school year from John Wood - Bus Driver. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to accept letter of intent to retire at end of the school year from Randi Breckon – paraprofessional aide. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea and Jeff Browning, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Dueterhaus made the motion to approve lease agreement for 2019 Chevrolet Chassis 29 passenger school bus. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Scott Gregory, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Action Item 6.6 was not voted on at this meeting.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to approve senior class social trip. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 7 yea – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

President, Jason Morton

Secretary, Madeline Buhlig