

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
May 8, 2019
7:00 p.m.

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session May 8, 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, Madeline Buhlig, Jeff Browning, and Alan Taylor. Member Brian Werries was absent and member Scott Gregory arrived later at 7:35 p.m. Also present were Superintendent Thad Walker, Principal Dan Carie, Carolyn Browning, secretary, Christina Brant, and Shirley Bilyeu.

Kevin Dueterhaus made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Dueterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

No Public Comments

Superintendent's Report:

- We are accepting bids for the TORT Fund projects on May 7th, 2019 at 2 p.m. I will have them for you at the meeting.
- Mrs. Pool has turned in her letter of resignation. She has accepted a position at Liberty to teach Spanish. I have a few thoughts on how to cover her position and handle our needs. I would like to discuss them with Mr. Abell at some point before making a decision.
- We had 2 calendars we presented to the staff for a vote. Calendar #1 won.
- I would also like to put into place the Late-In for next year. We would do a 2 hour late start for emergency days starting school at 9:15 a.m. This will be on the agenda to vote on. I believe that this would have saved us a few snow days this year if it had been in place.
- I have gotten everything to Mr. Yow for Mr. Abells' contract and just waiting to hear back.
- We have revised the job descriptions for groundskeeper/transportation foreman and custodians. We will need to vote on these changes as well. I have put a copy of them in the board packet for you to compare.
- Mr. Windell is working through the process to get his bus driver license. He only needs to take the bus driver test to finish up.
- The summer reading program and summer Apex Academy will be happening again this summer. We will have dates for you later in May.
- We will be moving \$175,000 from the IMRF Fund in the regular fund checking account to the existing IMRF money market. We have enough money in that account to cover our needs for the next year.
- We are waiting to see what our last allocation for CPPRT money will be before we move any monies around. We will need to have another meeting to move the money.
- We have allowed \$4000 for summer help. We only spend \$4200 last year.

Upcoming Dates:

May 5 – Spring Concert 7th -12th grades

May 7 - Elementary Concert

May 8 – Old Time baseball

May 16 – Last day of Pre-K

May 17 – Elementary Field Day

JH/HS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- April 14 – School Play was a big success. Thank you especially to Mrs. Rahe and Mr. Sievers
- April 17 – History Fair – good job to the students
- April 28 – Sports Banquet – good attendance
- April 29 – Blood Drive was held in the small gym
- April 30 – May 5th was Senior Social Class Trip to Hawaii. I believe it all went well.
- April 30 – May 7th was skating week. Victoria Miller was in charge and it all went very well.
- May 3 – JH track sectionals in Carlinville
- May 5 – Spring Concert 7th-12th grades
- May 8 – HS girls sectional – Rushville
- May 9 – Spring Concert Pre-K-6th grade 6:30 p.m.
- May 10 – ROE LEAD Team – JWCC in Pittsfield
- May 16 – Academic Awards – 2:15 p.m.
- May 17 – HS Boys sectional – Beardstown
- May 19 – National Honor Society Inductions – 7 p.m.

Finals schedule:

- a. 20th Monday study 1,3,5,7
- b. 21st Tuesday Exams 1,3,5,7
- c. 22nd Wednesday study 2,4,6,8
- d. 23rd Thursday Exams 2,4,6,8

May 23rd – 8th grade Promotions 7 p.m.

May 24th – HS Graduation 7 p.m.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:51 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 Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to come out of executive session at 8:43 p.m. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous via voice vote.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve moving \$175,000 IMRF money from regular checking to IMRF existing money market. 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; and Kevin Duesterhaus, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to approve hiring Jeff Abell as JH/HS Principal. Member Kevin Duesterhaus seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea and Madeline Buhlig, nay. Motion carried 5 yeas – 1 nay.

Member Scott Gregory made the motion to approve Jason Martin and Monica Martin as Junior Class sponsors for 2019-2020. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to approve Jason Mehaffy as Senior Class sponsor for 2019-2020. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Scott Gregory, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve new job descriptions for custodians and transportation/grounds keeper. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve 1st reading of IASB school district policy updates. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to accept resignation Lori Pool- Guidance/Art/Spanish teacher. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea and Kevin Duesterhaus, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to approve 2019-2020 school calendar. Member Kevin Duesterhaus seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve 2 hour late start on emergency days. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea and Jeff Browning, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve elementary handbook for 2019-2020. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Scott Gregory, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to approve \$4000 for summer help. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to accept the bid for repair of HS gym roof using TORT money accepting low bid. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to accept the bid to replace HS flat roof using TORT money accepting low bid. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea and Kevin Duesterhaus, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to accept the bid to cover old small gym ceiling with metal using TORT money. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 0 nays.

Table Action Item 7.5 – accepting bid for sewer repair using TORT money.

Member Jeff Browning made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Motion carried via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

President, Jason Morton

Secretary, Madeline Buhlig