

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
August 14, 2019
7:00 p.m.

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session August 14, 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 Duesterhaus, Brian Werries, Madeline Buhlig, Jeff Browning, Scott Gregory and Alan Taylor. Also present were Superintendent Thad Walker, Principal Jeff Abell, Carolyn Browning, secretary, Christina Brant, and Shirley Bilyeu.

Member Madeline Buhlig had a couple questions on the bills which was answered. Brian Werries made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Kevin Duesterhaus seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, 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:

Superintendent's Report:

- Plumbing work is complete. I will have a video for you at the September board meeting. Had water damage to the carpet in the board room which they will replace.
- To asphalt the basketball/tennis court was going to be \$41,000. Was given another company that repairs asphalt –CASCO out of Pittsfield.
- The scoreboard has arrived and Jerry and Rob got it put up and Jeff Browning got it wired and working.
- The lighting company should be here soon to finish up the free lighting. They will work in the evening to get them finished up.
- We have a new science teacher – Jill Kilver. She is also teaching an Algebra class.
- On the Teacher's Institute day we have Flow 360 and Star 360 training scheduled for high school and elementary. Staff meetings and working in their class room is also built in.
- We have an addition to the school calendar We can take the day off after parent teacher conferences. I will need to have the staff vote again since there has been a change. We will then approve in September.
- IDEAL environmental came down to give us a quote of the removal of the ceiling tile. He also looked at the floors and his recommendation was to keep the floors since they are in good shape.
- We will be using a new fingerprint scanner for the school lunch program. All students and staff will be scanned this way.
- We did not receive the Early Childhood grant. We scored high enough to receive it but insufficient funds in the state to fund it all.
- We have a new elementary P.E. teacher – Ashley Sanders and a new 6th grade teacher – Victoria Miller. I am working with the ROE to get them certified. Ashley will also serve as a counselor for the district.
- We have received an estimate on our CPPRT Tax for the coming year - \$1,000,676.
- It has been a pleasure working with Mr. Abell and Mr. Graham this summer preparing for the upcoming year. I have great expectations for our school.

JH/HS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Mr. Bowman and the band students have had a great week at Band Camp. They had a decent turnout and Mr. Bowman had a swimming party for them at the end of camp.
- We had a fantastic turnout for registration on August 6th and some of the new forms helped streamline the process.
- I have started putting information and news on Instagram. If you would like to follow the new address is: mcsd11_schools

JH/HS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT –CONTINUED:

- The month of July was a whirlwind of activity throughout the building. A big thank you to our custodial and grounds staff for their hard work.
- Jeannie, Ronda, Kirk and I participated in a comprehensive SDS training on July 23rd and 24th.
- Mr. Walker and I attended a Budget Basics Workshop in Quincy on July 22nd.
- I met with Triopia and Virginia principals and student council sponsors on July 18th to discuss Homecoming 2019. The homecoming game will be October 4th vs. Routt. The Homecoming parade will be in Virginia on October 5th at 10 a.m. The dance will be held at Triopia at 7 p.m.
- I've got to meet a lot of staff and appreciate the opportunity to be here and looking forward to the upcoming school year.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:31 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 Duesterhaus, 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.

Came out of executive session at 8:28 p.m.

Member Madeline Buhlig made the motion to approve resolution to set budget hearing for September 11th at 6:50 p.m. Member Alan Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea and Kevin Duesterhaus, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Scott Gregory made the motion to accept resignation of Michelle Tucker, 6th grade 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; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; and Brian Werries, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to accept resignation of Jason Martin, Science Teacher. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, nay; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 6 yeas – 1 nay.

Member Alan Taylor made the motion to approve Travis Sievers as Junior Social Class Sponsor, HS Student Council Sponsor, HS Head Track Coach, and WYSE Sponsor. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; and Jeff Browning, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Jeff Browning made the motion to approve Victoria Miller as 6th grade teacher. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Scott Gregory, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

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

Member Scott Gregory made the motion to approve Ashley Sanders as Elementary P.E. teacher. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Kevin Duesterhaus, 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.

Member Brian Werries made the motion to approve Andy Stremlau as JH Track Coach. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Madeline Buhlig, nay; Jeff Browning; yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, nay; Jason Morton, yea; and Kevin Duesterhaus, yea. Motion carried 5 yeas – 2 nays.

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to approve Ryan Link as JH Girls Assistant Basketball coach. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; and Brian Werries, yea. Motion carried 7 yeas – 0 nays.

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

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

Member Kevin Duesterhaus made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Motion carried via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

President, Jason Morton

Secretary, Madeline Buhlig