**Minutes**

**Regular Board of Education Meeting**

**April 13, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session April 13, 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, and Miranda Liehr. Members Kevin Duesterhaus, Kevin Kleinschmidt and Scott Gregory were absent. Also present were Supt. Thad Walker, JH/HS principal Dan Carie, Carolyn Browning, bookkeeper/secretary, Mike Gadberry, Christina Brant and Shirley Bilyeu.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Miranda Liehr seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; and Miranda Liehr, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

There were no public comments.

Reports:

Superintendent’s Report:

* We have a new insurance quote from American Central Insurance. The carrier is Blue Cross Blue Shield still and the rates went down with the dedutible going up but the out-of-pocket maximum went down.
* I am in the process of getting free breakfast/lunches for all for the next school year. There is a new report coming out Monday, April 3rd. We will run the numbers and send it into the State. We could get a reimbursement of $3.20 per meal for every student. At the present time we are getting $3.24 per meal for all free and reduced students. The free/reduced number is currently at 90 students. I hope to have all the details or you by the board meeting.
* We did the state audit. We are waiting on the final report which should be in May.
* We were approved for $7300 in Pre-K money. $1200 for storage unit and $6100 for transportation. I applied for the extra money in February.
* We need to set a new date for special board meeting to declare results of the election and seat new officers/elect officers. A date of Saturday, April 29th at 8:30 a.m. was set.
* We had our School Nutrition Programs Resource Management review and we were compliant. Thanks to Mrs. Browning for providing and keeping all of the proper documentation for the audit.
* We met with the K-6 teachers on the reading curriculum and we are close to a decision. Thanks to Mr. Reiss for heading this up. The plan is to visit schools that use “Journeys” curriculum.
* Sports Co-Op will need to be renewed with Virginia, Triopia and us.
* There is now electricity in the crows nest for the Little League batting cage to use.
* Staff voted on the calendar and chose “Calendar A”. This has students first day as August 18th and ending school before Memorial Day.
* There was a water leak down by the bus garage. It was decided to replace the water line from the hydrant down. Metz Plumbing brought in a line to locate everything. There will be a shut off by the shop end.

Dates: Spring break will be April 14-19th.

JH/HS Principal’s Report:

* Foundation 501 (c) 3
* ATI testing complete – data was presented and discussed. Mr. Gadberry said staff sees value in ATI but the problem is getting students on board and to take it seriously.
* March 14-17th PARCC testing is complete and it went well.
* April 21st – Talent Show – no meal

JH/HS Principal’s Report continued:

* DLT administration met April 7th. Discussion was held on using folders to follow students through the years and track their progress.
* There is 20 in JH track and 18 in HS track. Co-op is working well.
* Volleyball coach (5th-6th grade team) Mrs. Davis is working with the girls and planning a summer camp.
* May 2-7 – Senior Class Trip to Hawaii
* May 16th – National Honor Society inductees
* Dancing With The Stars fundraiser was successful – raised over $4000 for playground fund

Member Brian Werries made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:35 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 Miranda Liehr seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea; and Jeff Schmitz, yea.

Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Members came out of executive session at 7:52 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Member Jason Morton made a motion to approve the annual school district hazardous routes approved by IDOT. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea; Jeff Schmitz, yea; and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Jason Morton made a motion to approve the 1st reading of the IASB School District policy updates. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Miranda Liehr, yea; Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea and Brian Werries, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Jason Morton made a motion to approve setting a special meeting for Saturday, April 29th at 8:30 a.m. to declare the results of the 2017 school board election. Then have a second organizational meeting of new board shortly after at 8:35 a.m. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; and Miranda Liehr, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to renew the sports cooperative between Triopia and Virginia School districts for two years for boys baseball, boys basketball, girls basketball, boys golf, girls golf and girls softball. Member Miranda Liehr seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea and Jeff Schmitz, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

President Jeff Schmitz wanted to thank Mr. Walker and Mr. Carie for making multiple calendars and for setting a calendar that ended school before Memorial Day.

Member Miranda Liehr made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar “A” as read. Member Brian Werries seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Miranda Liehr, yea; Jeff Schmitz, yea; and Jason Morton, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield G511BCE as the 2017-2018 insurance. Member Miranda Liehr seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Miranda Liehr, yea; Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea and Brian Werries, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to approve a salary increase of 3% for non-certified members for the 2017-2018 school year. Member Jason Morton seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea and Miranda Liehr, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Brian Werries made a motion to approve Little League building a batting cage on the school baseball field. Member Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Schmitz, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Brian Werries, yea and Miranda Liehr, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Old Business:

President Jeff Schmitz asked where are we in getting either the outside sign fixed or replaced? Mr. Carie is to call about the sign.

New Business:

Member Jason Morton said he noticed the bus garage is being left open. We need to be more aware of this since there is a lot of equipment that could be messed with or taken. Mr. Walker said he would bring this to Bob’s attention.

Member Miranda Liehr said we have enough to purchase playground equipment now. We will probably purchase and start working on that this summer. The surface material still hasn’t been decided upon.

Member Brian Werries made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Secretary, Miranda Liehr