

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER  
215 PINE AVENUE E., MENOMONIE, WISCONSIN  
MARCH 7, 2022, 5:30 P.M.**

**I. OPENING ITEMS**

- A. Call to Order** – President David Styer called the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the Menomonie Area to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2022, in the Board Room of the Administrative Service Center at 215 Pine Avenue E., Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call showed nine board members present: Chris Freeman, Mark Hillman, Tanya Husby, Clint Moses, Karl Palmer, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Charlie Schneider, Angie Skillings, and David Styer. President Styer declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. Administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Brian Seguin, Sam Hoyt, Katie Krueger, Tonia Kowieski, Leah Theder, John Samb, Casey Drake, Shannon Branch and Lori Smith. Also in attendance were Recording Secretary Jenny Mikesell and Janet Quinn, videographer Steve Hanson. Electors and/or others registering attendance included Josie Pillman, Jill Chase, Ruth Reneson, Son Pham, Craig Olson, Alex Brost, Abe Smith, Brittany Weiker, Dominique Stewart, Jodi Olson, Rachel Henderson and Jennifer Sakry.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance Reading of Mission Statement** - Styer led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the district's mission statement.
- D. Agenda Order and Approval/Revision** – The agenda was approved as presented. Skillings made a motion, seconded by Palmer, to change the discussion policy on agenda items back to free discussion with no limits. The motion passed by a 6-3 roll call vote, with Hillman, Husby and Schneider casting “nay” votes.
- E. Recommendations and Commendations** - There were no recommendations or commendations.
- F. Student Representative Communication** - Grace Hasse reported on different events and activities at MHS.
- G. Community Communications** - Board members were sent electronic communications from Margaret Breisch regarding Fund 46 and the MHS Sports Complex. Community communications in attendance included Josie Pillman and Craig Olson. Each speaker had three minutes to address the Board of Education regarding their topic of concern.
- H. Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the Month Ended February 2022** - Business Director, Leah Theder presented to the board the monthly expenses by function, expenses by object, and revenue reports for February 2022.
- I. Monthly Employment Report (February 2022)** - The board reviewed the monthly non-certified staff employment report for February 2022, which included six resignations, one new hire, and one transfer.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve Consent Agenda** - Skillings made a motion, seconded by Riddle-Swanson, that the board approve the following consent agenda items: 1) Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Electors of January 10, 2022; and Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2022; 2) Financial Reports for February 2022; and 3) Donations exceeding \$1,000 for February, 2022, as presented. The motion passed by 8-0-1 electronic vote, with Hillman abstaining.

**III. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda** – Skillings made a motion, seconded by Palmer, that the board approve the following personnel actions: 1) Resignation of Amanda Krueger-Kutcher, 6th grade

Special Education Teacher at Menomonie Middle School, effective March 18, 2022, as presented. The motion passed by unanimous electronic vote.

#### **IV. ACTION AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve CESA 10, Shared Services Contract 2022-2023-** Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Skillings, to approve the CESA 10, Shared Services Contract, as presented. The motion passed 8-0-1 by electronic vote, with Schneider abstaining.
- B. Action to Approve CESA 11, Shared Services Contract 2022-2023 -** Palmer made a motion, seconded by Skillings, to approve the CESA 11, Shared Services Contract, as presented. The motion passed 8-0-1 by electronic vote, with Schneider abstaining.
- C. Approve Addition of MHS Sports Complex Project to the Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan -** Skillings made a motion, seconded by Hillman, to approve the addition to MHS Sports Complex Project to the Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan. The motion passed 7-2 by electronic vote, with Riddle-Swanson and Freeman casting “nay” votes.

#### **V. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW**

- A. Clerk’s Report of the Results of the 2022 Primary School Board Election –** Board Clerk Moses shared the board of canvassers’ results of the 2022 primary school board election. The canvassed results were Henderson - 1,224, Stewart - 1,198, Smith - 1,190, Parker - 634, Weiker - 610, and Sakry - 574. Styer will not advance to the spring election. Drawing of lots took place at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 22, 2022, to determine the ballot order for the spring election. Jenny Mikesell drew names and the following individuals witnessed: Clint Moses and Lisa Keyes. The names will appear on the ballot as follows:
  - 1. Dominique Stewart
  - 2. Abe Smith
  - 3. Scott Parker
  - 4. Rachel Henderson
  - 5. Jennifer Sakry
  - 6. Brittany Weiker
- B. Results of Due Process Complaint -** The board reviewed the due process hearing decision related to the need for COVID-19 mitigation protocols for a special education student in the SDMA. The judge ruled in favor of the District on all issues.
- C. Review 2022-2023 MHS Course Recommendations –** Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Brian Seguin and Menomonie High School Principal Casey Drake shared a preliminary course recommendation with the Board which included a list of courses with less than 15 student requests that are expected to run, and a list of courses not expected to run during summer school and the 2022-2023 school year.
- D. Review Early College Credit Program Requests for Fall 2022 –** The board reviewed early college credit program requests for the summer and fall of 2022.
- E. Review 2022-2023 Early Budget Estimate -** Director of Business Services Leah Theder shared with the board the preliminary budget estimate for the 2022-2023 school year. Dr. Zydowsky noted that the budget will change as more becomes known about the state budget, staffing, compensation and insurance for next year.
- F. Discuss SDMA Employee Compensation for 2022-2023 -** Board members reviewed employee compensation recommendations for 2022-2023. The recommended compensation changes are calculated by using the CPI increase to pay for step changes. Skillings made a motion, seconded by Riddle-Swanson, to include the approval of employee compensation plans at 4.7% on the agenda for the next board meeting. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- G. Discuss Summer School Incentive -** The board agreed that the summer school staffing incentive program be brought back for approval at the next board meeting.
- H. Review Policy 850, Advertising and Promotion on School Premises -** The board discussed policy 850, and agreed that Dr. Zydowsky would provide recommended changes for the Board to review at an upcoming meeting.

- I. Discuss SDMA Curriculum Opt Out Procedures** - The board discussed the curriculum opt out procedures. The board agreed to have administration clean up and update language regarding the procedures in the 2022-2023 student handbooks.
- J. Review Policy 361, Educational Materials Selection and Evaluation** - The board discussed revisions of policy 361. Dr. Zydowsky will update the policy and bring it back for Board review at the next board meeting.
- K. Discuss School Board Retreat** - WASB Executive Director John Ashley is scheduled to provide a workshop for the Board at a retreat scheduled for 6:00 pm on Monday, June 6, 2022.
- L. Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports** – Spring Break is March 14 - 18, 2022. There is a School Board Candidate Forum scheduled Monday, March 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Menomonie High School Auditorium. Special School Board Meeting, on March 28, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the ASC. Spring Election April 5, 2022. Joint PAC/Board Member Meeting at Turtle Lake on April 6, 2022, and Regular School Board Meeting, on April 11, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the ASC. WASB New Board Member Gathering, on April 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Middle School.

## **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**Action to Adjourn** – Freeman made a motion, seconded by Hillman, to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

  
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Clinton Moses, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: April 11, 2022