

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER  
215 PINE AVENUE E, WISCONSIN  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024, 5:45 P.M.**

**I. OPENING ITEMS**

- A. Call to Order** – President Rachel Henderson called the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the Menomonie Area to order at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2024, in the Board Room of the Administrative Service Center at 215 Pine Avenue E, Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call showed all six board members present: Abe Smith, Dale Dahlke, Amber Kersting, Karl Palmer, Amy Riddle-Swanson, and Rachel Henderson. Mark Hillman, Dominique Stewart, and Angie Skillings were absent. President Henderson declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. The administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Brian Seguin, Katherine Krueger, Leah Theder, Bart Boettcher, Casey Drake, and Stacy Lee. Also, in attendance were recording secretary Jenny Mikesell and videographer Steve Hanson. Electors and others registering in attendance included Josie Pillman, Ruth Reneson, Cecil Cooper, and Mike Cooper.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance Reading of Mission Statement** - Henderson led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the district’s mission statement.
- D. Agenda Order and Approval/Revision** – The agenda was approved as presented.
- E. Recommendations & Commendations**- There were no board commendations.
- F. February Highlight on Youth** - The board reviewed the February Highlight on Youth presentation.
- G. Student Representative Communications** - The board heard from Student Council representatives Max Buhr and Teyha Johnson about current activities at Menomonie High School.
- H. Community Communications** - Community communications in attendance included Ruth Reneson, Josie Pillman, Cecil Cooper, and Mike Cooper. They each had three minutes to address the Board of Education regarding their topic or concern.
- I. Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the Month Ended January 2024**- The board reviewed the revenue and expenditure reports for January 2024.
- J. Monthly Employment Report (January 2024)** - The board reviewed the monthly non-certified staff employment report for January 2024.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve Consent Agenda**- Palmer made a motion, seconded by Smith, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: 1) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 8, 2024; and Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of January 22, 2024; 2) Financial Reports of January 2024; and 3) Donations Exceeding \$1,000 for January 2024. The motion passed 6-0 by a roll call vote.

**III. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda**– There were no personnel consent agenda items to approve.

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW**

- A. Review 2024-2025 MHS Course Recommendations-** The board reviewed the MHS Administration’s initial recommendations for courses not to run and courses to run with enrollments of less than 15 students for the 24-25 school year. Final updated numbers will be shared and the board is expected to take action on this recommendation on February 26, 2024.
- B. Discuss Policy 343.1, Class Size and Combined and Split Grades -** The board reviewed the current policy 343.1, along with a listing of class sizes in the SDMA. The board agreed the administrative staff should review the class size guidelines and bring back a recommendation for updated class size thresholds at a later date.
- C. Summer School Programming Update-** Downsview Elementary Principal and Summer School Coordinator Stacy Lee updated the board on plans for Summer School 2024. Highlights include 3-two-week sessions, continued AIM Art camp, Menomonie Parks and Rec, Boys & Girls Club, UW Stout, and Eau Claire Children’s Theater partnerships. Registration begins Monday, April 8th at Noon.
- D. Discuss Upcoming Referendum Election-** The board reviewed the referendum information provided on the district website.
- E. Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports-** SDMA Diversity Committee Meeting on February 19, 2024, 3:50 pm, ASC; Referendum Election on February 20, 2024; Special School Board Meeting on February 26, 2024, 5:45 pm, ASC; March 11-15, 2024- No school- Spring Break; Special School Board Meeting on March 18, 2024, 5:45 pm, ASC; No school on March 29, 2024. Joint Pac/Board Meeting, on April 4, 2024, at 6:00 pm in Turtle Lake; Regular Board Meeting, April 8, 2024, 5:45 pm., ASC. No school for students and Professional Development for Staff is on April 15, 2024. Special School Board Meeting, 5:45 pm., ASC.

**V. ADJOURNMENT-** Smith made a motion, seconded by Kersting, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

*Dominique Stewart*

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Dominique Stewart, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: March 18, 2024