

MIDDLETON-CROSS PLAINS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Minutes of Monday, November 14, 2011

1. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Ellen Lindgren.

Present.....President Ellen Lindgren, Vice President Tim Statz, Treasurer Bob Green, and Board Members Annette Ashley, Jim Greer, Leanne Hallquist, Bob Hesselbein and Stuart Rossmiller

Not Present..... Clerk Diane Hornung

Others Present..... Superintendent Don Johnson, Assistant Superintendent Tom Wohlleber, Assistant Superintendent George Mavroulis, West Middleton Principal Doug Rykal and Park Principal Monica Schommer

2. Recognition – German teacher Jolene Wochenske presented a copy of her published book “Basic German” to the Board of Education and Don Johnson.

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

MOVED by Statz, **SECONDED** by Greer **to approve** the Regular and Closed Minutes of October 24, 2011 and Board Development Minutes of November 7, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously, 8-0.**

4. Communications

A. Correspondence/Board Communication – Ellen Lindgren shared information on the National School Board Association conference which will be held in April in Boston. Ellen was wondering if there was any interest by the board in attending. The item will be placed on the board agenda for the November 28 meeting under Items for Discussion. Jim Greer announced that MASH students will be visiting AT&T for a job shadowing experience.

B. Citizen Comments – None

5. Superintendent’s Report

A. Upcoming Events and Updates – Don Johnson stated that the district employees contributed \$12,600 to United Way. MHS is looking at a new diploma format and administration will keep the board updated as it moves along. The mill rate for the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District is ranked 15 out of 21 in the immediate area.

6. Consent Agenda

MOVED by Greer **SECONDED** by Green **to approve** the following items for consent agenda: **6.A.a.** Approval of Bills Payable, **6.A.b.** Approval of Treasurer’s Report, **6.B.b.** Approval of Leaves of Absence, **6.B.c.** Approval of Staff Appointment, **6.C.a.** Approval of Foreign Travel – MHS Trip to Spain, **6.C.b.** Approval of Foreign Travel – MHS Trip to France and **8.A.** Initial Approval of Policy I-D. **Motion carried unanimously, 8-0.**

A. Administrative/Business Services

- a. Approval of Bills Payable** - Computer check numbers 219509 through 219859 totaling \$1,434,582.05 were reviewed by the Board Treasurer and **approved under consent agenda. (Exhibit A)**
- b. Approval of Treasurer's Report** – The board **approved** the September 2011 Treasurer's Report **under consent agenda. (Exhibit B)**

B. Employee Services

- a. Approval of Resignations** – There are no resignations to approve at this time.
- b. Approval of Leaves of Absence** – The following leaves of absence **were approved under consent agenda:**

Stacey Bohachek, Science teacher at MHS

- c. Approval of Staff Appointments** – The following staff appointment **was approved under consent agenda:**
Lindsey Hellenbrand, to a 0.27 FTE temporary contract School Counselor at Kromrey
- d. Approval of Staff Retirements** – There are no staff retirements to approve at this time.
- e. Approval of Lay Offs** – There are no lay offs to approve at this time.

C. District Consent Items

- a. Approval of Foreign Travel – MHS Trip to Spain** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the foreign travel to Spain by MHS students.
- b. Approval of Foreign Travel – MHS Trip to France** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the foreign travel to France by MHS students.

7. Items for Information/Discussion

- A. School Improvement Team Reports** – Principal Doug Rykal presented the school improvement team report for West Middleton. Doug reported on the demographics and school goals which cover math improvement, continued global awareness, and continued work on bullying prevention. Principal Monica Schommer presented the school improvement team report for Park. Monica shared information on the review of school goals and the process of aligning them with the new assessment framework. Goals at Park consist of math and language arts improvement and the PBIS behavior goal. **(Exhibit C and D)**
- B. Applied Population Lab Report** – Tom Wohlleber gave a brief summary on the APL report that was presented to the board as an attachment. Tom stated that the numbers used for the report were based on the Third Friday count and that the trends point to increased enrollment over the next several years. George Mavroulis referenced and explained specific information on the projections that we will be using. Don Johnson shared information on trends in the district. **(Exhibit E)**
- C. Education Foundation Update** – Perry Hibner presented an update on the foundation which included information on potential programs/priorities, accomplishments, matching grants, key tasks of the foundation and future involvement.

- D. WASB Education Convention Registration** – Ellen checked on the interest of the board in attending the WASB Education Convention in January. Ellen Lindgren, Don Johnson, Tom Wohlleber and possibly Annette Ashley (just for a day) will attend the conference. Cheryl Janssen will handle the registrations.
- E. Review Board Policy I-D.1 to I-D.6** – The board reviewed the policies and decided that there would be no changes to them. This item will move to Initial Approval at the November 28 board meeting.
- F. Concealed Carry Policy and Signs** – Don presented the board with an updated draft policy on weapons and reviewed some of the changes. The board also received some samples of signs to be posted in our buildings/facilities. This is an administrative policy and administration wanted to share the updated information with the board.
- G. Update on Limited High School Remodeling/Long Range Planning** – Don briefly shared information on the possible need for a small remodeling project in the technology education area at MHS to best utilize the space and to accommodate the Global Academy class.

8. Items for Action

- A. Initial Approval of Policy I-D** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the initial approval of Policy I-D.
- B. Appoint Board Self-Evaluation Committee** – Ellen Lindgren asked for any volunteers to lead the board self-evaluation. Bob Hesselbein volunteered to lead the self-evaluation process.
- C. Appoint Superintendent Evaluation Committee** – Ellen Lindgren asked for any volunteers to lead the superintendent evaluation. Annette Ashley stated she would lead the process if Diane Hornung was not interested. Ellen will check with Diane when she returns.

MOVED by Greer **SECONDED** by Hesselbein **to move into closed session** to discuss establishing salaries for District Labor Groups. **Motion carried unanimously, 8-0 on a roll call vote.**

- 9. Convene in Closed Session under S.S. 19.85 (1)(c)**
 - A. Establishing Salaries for District Labor Groups**

10. Reconvene Into Open Session

11. Next Meeting Dates and Adjournment –

Mon. 11.28.11 Regular Board Meeting DAC 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Cheryl Janssen, Board Secretary

Approved by Board President

Date