

MIDDLETON-CROSS PLAINS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Minutes of Monday, June 28, 2010

1. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 10:05 p.m. by President Ellen Lindgren.

Present.....President Ellen Lindgren, Vice President Tim Statz, Treasurer Bob Green, Clerk Diane Hornung, Board Members Tom Engle, Leanne Hallquist, and Steve Hurd

Not Present..... Board Members Jim Greer and Stuart Rossmiller

Others Present..... Superintendent Don Johnson, Assistant Superintendent Tom Wohlleber, Assistant Superintendent George Mavroulis, and Michelle Larson Community Relations Specialist

2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

MOVED by Statz, **SECONDED** by Engle **to approve** the Regular and Closed Minutes of June 14, 2010. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.**

3. Communications

- A. Correspondence/Board Communication** – Ellen Lindgren shared a thank you note that the board received from the high school Destination Imagination team for the district’s donation to help with costs related to the Global DI Competition.
- B. Citizen Comments** – None
- C. Committee Reports** – None
- D. Recognition** – The board recognized a group of MHS students for their participation in the North American Canon Envirothon Competition.

4. Superintendent’s Report

- A. Upcoming Events and Updates** – Enrollment trends were updated by George Mavroulis. Don shared information on the administrative evaluation process and stated that Sauk Trail and Glacier Creek were selected for International Testing.
- B. Transportation Manager** – Tom and Don updated the board that the interview process is completed and they have offered the position to someone. The finalist declined the position and the administration is working on Plan B which is possibly looking into contracting the management position only.
- C. QSCB Authorizations** – The district applied for \$2.3 million dollars in QSCB funds. We were awarded \$1 million for safety and security upgrades in our buildings. This money is an interest free loan.

- D. Ski/Snowboard Team** – Don received a request several months ago regarding a ski/snowboard team at Middleton High School. This team would be treated as a club sport. The group is putting together a draft agreement stating that it will be fully funded through the team and not the district.
- E. AP Grant** – Jill Gurtner and Sherri Cyra wrote a grant for the district’s Advance Placement program. The district was awarded \$4,000.00.
- F. Blue Mounds Cave Student Experience** – Don shared an article and photos with the board which shows a special needs student at West Middleton receiving support to go through the Blue Mounds Caves during a field trip.

5. Consent Agenda

MOVED by Engle **to approve all the consent agenda items (as listed). Motion failed due to lack of SECOND to the motion. MOVED** by Engle **SECONDED** by Green **to approve** the following items for consent agenda: **5.A.a.** Approval of Bills Payable, **5.A.b.** Approval of Treasurer’s Report, **5.B.d.** Approval of Retirements, **5.C.a.** Approval of Parochial School Boundaries, **5.C.b.** Approval of Public Depositories for 2010-2011 Fiscal Year, **5.C.c.** Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements – Police Liaison and Crossing Guards and **6.A.** Initial Approval of Board Policy I-B.1. **Motion carried, 6-1.**

Diane Hornung shared concerns over the resignation and staff appointments. She stated we need to make sure we are fiscally responsible when replacing staff. **MOVED** by Hornung, **SECONDED** by Engle **to approve** the following consent agenda items: **5.B.a.** Approval of Resignation and **5.B.c.** Approval of Staff Appointments. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.**

A. Administrative/Business Services

- a. Approval of Bills Payable** - Computer check numbers 211146 through 211471 totaling \$1,440,094.14 were reviewed by the Board Treasurer and **approved under consent agenda. (Exhibit A)**
- b. Approval of Treasurer’s Report** –The Treasurer’s Report for May 2010 was reviewed by the Board Treasurer and **approved under consent agenda. (Exhibit B)**

B. Employee Services

- a. Approval of Resignations:** The following resignation **was approved under consent agenda:**

Sarah Minderman, special education teacher at MHS
- b. Approval of Leaves of Absence** – There are no leaves of absence to approve at this time.
- c. Approval of Staff Appointments** – The following staff appointments **were approved under consent agenda:**

Stephanie Bartholomew, to a 0.20 FTE regular contract French teacher at MHS.
Paula Bigham, to a 0.60 FTE regular contract English teacher at MHS.
Bridget Callahan, to a 1.0 regular contract grade 1 teacher at Sunset Ridge.
Mary Duffy, to a 0.10 FTE regular contract English teacher and to a 0.60 FTE temporary contract English teacher at MHS.
Kelly Gygi, to a 0.10 FTE regular contract English teacher at MHS.
Molly Herdrich, to a 1.0 regular contract kindergarten teacher at Sunset Ridge.
Julee Isenhower, to a 0.30 FTE regular contract science teacher at MHS.

Barbara Jarugumilli, to a 0.20 FTE regular contract English teacher at MHS.
Jennifer Mathison-Ohly, to a 0.60 FTE regular contract English teacher at MHS.
Kirk Nichols, to a 1.0 regular contract kindergarten teacher at West Middleton.
Kristine Nordeng, to a 0.40 FTE regular contract Spanish teacher at MHS.
Jason Rogers, to a 1.0 regular contract health and physical education teacher at MHS.
Rachael Ryan, to a 1.0 temporary contract grade 2 teacher at Elm Lawn.
Katelyn Sarch, to a 1.0 FTE regular contract math teacher at MHS.
Laura Thompson, to a 1.0 FTE regular contract bilingual grade 1 teacher at Sauk Trail.
Andrea Weber, to a 1.0 FTE regular contract grade 6 teacher at Glacier Creek.
Rachel Wimer, to a 1.0 FTE regular contract special education/math teacher at MHS.
Jolene Wochenske, to a 0.80 FTE regular contract German teacher at MHS.

Correction

*Meredith Tunison was inaccurately reported on the June 14, 2010 board agenda.
Meredith will not be in a temporary contract, she will be in a regular contract.*

- d. **Approval of Staff Retirements** – The following retirement was approved under consent agenda:

Patricia Donaldson, special education teacher at Kromrey.
- e. **Approval of Lay Offs** – There are no lay offs to approve at this time.
- C. **District Consent Items**
 - a. **Approval of Parochial School Boundaries** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the Parochial School Boundaries for the 2010-11 school year.
 - b. **Approval of Public Depositories for 2010-11 Fiscal Year** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the public depositories for 2010-11 fiscal year.
 - c. **Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements – Police Liaison and Crossing Guards** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the police liaison and crossing guards intergovernmental agreements. (Exhibit C)

6. Items for Action

- A. **Initial Approval of Board Policy I-B.1** – The board **approved under consent agenda** the initial reading of Board Policy I-B.1. (Exhibit D)
- B. **School District Goals for 2010-11** – Don presented the board with updated 2010-11 district goals. Don made modifications to the present goals to reflect the next steps. The board discussed the goals with administration. (Exhibit E)
- C. **Approval of Lease/Purchase Bids** – **MOVED** by Engle, **SECONDED** by Statz **to approve** the Lease/Purchase bids presented to the board. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0. (Exhibit F)**
- D. **Approval of 2010-11 Board Goals** – **MOVED** by Statz, **SECONDED** Engle **to approve** the proposed 2010-11 board goals. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0. (Exhibit G)**

7. Items for Information/Work Session

- A. **Education Foundation Update** – Michelle Larson and Don reviewed the Education Foundation information with the board. The district met with consultants and presented a proposal from them to help start the Education Foundation. The board discussed looking at several other consultants who provide this service, look into other models of starting the foundation and then bringing the

strongest options to the board for approval. Leeanne Hallquist, Jim Greer, Diane Hornung and Bob Green will work with Michelle on reviewing the internal proposal developed by Michelle and bringing that proposal to the board.

- B. Superintendent Report on China Visit** – Don shared information and pictures from his trip to China in April. The trip was outstanding and he gained insight on American versus Chinese education.
- C. Citizen Advocacy Committees** – Forming an advocacy group made up of citizens was discussed by the board.
- D 2010-11 Budget Planning** – Budget challenges for the upcoming years were discussed. The board talked about looking ahead for solutions, engaging booster clubs and citizens, funding proposals, and how do we cut our budget. The board and administration will continue to talk about the budget planning.

MOVED by Engle **SECONDED** by Green **to move into closed session** to discuss the superintendent evaluation and contract renewal and negotiations planning and parameters. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0 on a roll call vote.**

- 8. Adjourn to Closed Session under S.S. 19.85 (1)(c)(e)**
 - A. Superintendent Evaluation and Contract Renewal**
 - B. Negotiations Strategy and Parameters**

9. Reconvene into Open Session

10. Next Meeting Dates and Adjournment –

Mon. 07.26.10 Regular Board Meeting DAC 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Cheryl Janssen, Board Secretary

Approved by Board President

Date