

Official Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education for the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2018

The Board of Education regular meeting was held on Monday, December 17, 2018 in the Board Room at the District Office at 711 S Maple Street, Monticello, Iowa, and was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Bud Johnson. Board Member Craig Stadtmueller led the Pledge of Allegiance and also read the Monticello CSD mission statement. Roll call was done by Board Secretary, Judy Hayen. The following directors were present: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Absent: None.

It was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Melchert to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

Middle School band students Brendan Pasker, and Bella Mullen, along with Ms. Walker performed a few holiday songs for the Board. They did a great job!

Congratulations were extended to: the Panther Dance Team on the following State Honors: Class 1 Contemporary- 2nd Place; Class 4 Jazz- 2nd Place; Class 8 Pom- 2nd Place; Team Academic Award; and the Community Service Award; Sophia Ahlrichs, Clara Finger, Olivia Goodyear, and Levi Temple who all receive first chair on their instrument at the NEIBA Honor Band that took place on Saturday, December 1st! They represented Monticello well and had a fantastic concert; every 5th grade student made their first Accelerated Reader goal. The 5th and 6th grade students have read a total of 1,841 books and 23,376,762 words so far this year! Way to go; Carpenter students collected 1,063 items for the Monticello Food Pantry! Congratulations on a job well done and thank you to all of our students and families for helping a great cause; Megan Broadbent and her English IV students for receiving a \$305 Amazon gift card (to be used on classroom supplies) for holding the blood drive and having over 50 donors!

Vicki Hyland, Andru Meiners, and Katie Harms from OPN Architects were at the meeting to update us on their progress and presented on the program and budget tracking for the project. Currently we are refining the plan to send it out for pricing estimates in January. These estimates are based on square footage only and more detailed plans will be developed after the preliminary pricing is complete. They showed a 3D exterior view of the new 5-8 building and the group discussed the parking lots for the new building. They will be back at our January meeting with another update.

Principals Denny Folken and Brent Meier each gave a building report. Joan Young was absent. Gretchen Kriegel gave her curriculum report and Dr. Jaeger gave his Superintendent's report.

It was moved by Melchert, seconded by Norton to approve the resolution for Modified Allowable Growth Request for At-Risk/Dropout Prevention in the amount of \$249,478 as presented. By roll call vote: Stadtmueller, aye; Johnson, aye; Melchert, aye; Norton, aye; and Schlarmann, aye. Nay: None.

A motion was made by Schlarmann, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the amendment to the resolution for designation of official depositories for Citizens State Bank, Monticello, Iowa to change the maximum limit that may be kept on deposit from \$13,000,000 to \$23,000,000 (due to bond sale) as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

It was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Melchert to approve Foreign Exchange Student for 2019-20 School Year as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the First Reading of Board Policy #608.3 Title I Parent and Family Engagement as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

It was moved by Norton, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #702.6 School Transportation Usage by Non-School Entities as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #702.7 Transportation Insurance Program as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

It was moved by Norton, seconded by Melchert to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #702.9 School Bus Safety Instruction as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Norton to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #702.10 School District Bus Routes as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

It was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Melchert to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #704.1 State Aid for Medical Assistance Fund (*Deletion*) as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

Board member Stadtmueller reported that he is a member of the SIAC Committee and attended the first meeting in November. The meeting started with some data tracking of our students in reading and math and compared with other districts comparable to us in size we rank really strong. Our ACT scores are also at the top with an average of 23.2. It's a testament that what our principals and staff are doing is working. Great job!

The Board wanted the public to know that we are we are working earnestly towards the best possible solutions for our building project with the inflated prices and we are holding the line on the instructional spaces. Thank you to Dr. Jaeger and the staff that are working with OPN, they are doing a great job! And thank you to OPN for listening to our suggestions and comments, the plan has really progressed from the last meeting.

The following announcements were made:

- Winter Break is from December 22 – January 1. Collaboration day on Jan. 2 and first day back for students is Thursday, January 3.
- Next Work Session is Wednesday, January 9 @ 6:00 pm
- Next Board Meeting is Monday, January 28 @ 6:00 pm

There being no further business, Schlarmann made a motion, seconded by Melchert to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 pm. Ayes: Stadtmueller, Johnson, Melchert, Norton, and Schlarmann. Nay: None.

Approved:

Attest:

Bud Johnson, President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary