

**Official Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting of October 23, 2017**

The Board of Education regular meeting was held in the Board Room at the District Office and was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Bud Johnson. Board Member Mandy Norton 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: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Absent: None.

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

Congratulations were extended to: the Varsity Volleyball team and coaches for being Conference Champions; Bo Kramer on winning a day at the capitol with representatives Dave Jacoby and John Landon at the BPA Fall Leadership Conference; XC Coach Dan Sauser on receiving the Golden Plaque Award for distinguished coaching in the sport of cross country. Coach Sauser will be recognized during the State Cross Country Meet on October 28, 2017; the following seniors on being nominated for the National Council on Youth Leadership (NCYL) and also for being selected as semi-finalists for Monticello High School: Courtney Campbell, Paige Holub, Maddie G. Lambert, Rileigh Lambert, Rachel Larabee, Anna Loes, Taylor McDonald, Meredith Melchert, Jordyn Patterson, and Kate Tuetken; the following 8<sup>th</sup> graders on being accepted for the 2017 River Valley Conference Honor Band: Heather Burrow, flute; Grant Hospodarsky, percussion; and Karle Kramer, clarinet; the HS Marching Band on making it to the State Contest in almost 20 years and for placing 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 13 bands at the Wilton Festival of Bands on October 7, 2017; the HS Band for the following outstanding achievement awards at Wilton: Drum Major, Horn Line, Color Guard, Drumline, Drill Design, Marching Execution, and Soloist – Makayla Coffey; October is, "National Principals Month". The key to student success is a great school, and the key to a great school is great leadership. That starts with the principal. Thank you to each of our principals for their leadership, hard work ethic, and positive attitude; Mike Kowbel for being selected as KCRG's A+ for Education recipient. This is a program in which they honor and highlight educators going above and beyond in the classroom. Mr. Kowbel was nominated by Ashleigh Matheny.

Principals Joan Young and Denny Folken each gave their building report. Brent Meier was absent. Gretchen Kriegel gave her Curriculum report. Superintendent Jaeger also gave his report. Business Manager Marcy Gillmore did a school finance presentation and Gretchen Kriegel, Curt Tauke, and Brian Jaeger gave a Strategic Operating Plan Update.

A motion was made by Norton, seconded by Melchert to approve the Student Support Organizations as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the 2017-18 School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC) as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stadtmueller, seconded by Schlarmann to approve creating an Elementary Student Council and a Middle School Student Council but to wait on funding these sponsor positions as well as a High School National Honor Society Sponsor until a later time. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the High School Science field trip to the Monticello Public Works - Sewage Plant from Tanya Manternach as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Norton to approve the early graduation requests as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Melchert, seconded by Schlarman to approve the first reading of Board Policy #600.1 Educational Program as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Schlarman, seconded by Melchert to approve the first reading of Board Policy #601.1 School Calendar as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Melchert, seconded by Schlarman to approve the first reading of Board Policy #601.2 School Day as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stadtmueller, seconded by Norton to approve the Proclamation for American Education Week for November 13-17, 2017 with one change: change *democracy* to *representative republic*. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Schlarman, seconded by Melchert to approve the Instructional Support Program Levy (ISL) Resolution of Intent for one year and set the public hearing date for November 27, 2017 at 5:00pm in the Board Room. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Melchert, seconded by Norton to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #406.3 Unpaid Leaves of Absence as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Norton, seconded by Schlarman to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy #1001.2 School District - Community Group Relations as presented. Ayes: Norton, Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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

Board Member Schlarman wanted to thank the Monticello FFA and Eric Schmitt for the "Feed the Farmers" meal that they served to over 100 farmers and that it was a great idea!

Board members wanted the public to know that we are a debt free district. We are not currently paying on any bonds! Board member Johnson also stated that Curt Tauke has done a great job so far in moving the district forward with 1 to 1 technology and has come up with a savings of over \$100,000 with this project with the help of the Foundation, the PTO, and our E-rate program. This is an exciting time for our students and the community. Board member Schlarman also stated that he appreciated the principals being at the home football games and disciplining students when needed and thanked them for the time they put in after hours. Board member Johnson also noted that at our next work session that we will hear from four architect/engineering firms for their services for possible new construction and/or renovation to the existing Monticello Community School District facilities and that our work sessions and regular board meetings are open to the public.

There were no items suggested for future work sessions.

The following announcements were made:

- Next Work Session – Wednesday, November 8 @ 6:00 PM
- American Education Week – November 13-17, 2017
- Next Board Meeting – Monday, November 27 @ 5:00 PM; Legislative Forum at 6:30 PM at Maquoketa Valley Schools in Delhi
- IASB Annual Convention is November 15-17 – early bird registration ends Oct. 29

There being no further business, Stadtmueller made a motion, seconded by Melchert to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Ayes: Norton, Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Johnson, and Melchert. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Approved:

Attest:

Bud Johnson, President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary