

**Official Board Minutes of the Monticello Board of Education for the Regular  
Meeting of October 28, 2013**

Voting Order:  
Beitz  
Mere  
Gray  
Johnson  
Brokaw

The Board of Education regular meeting was called to order at 6:09 PM by President Chris Brokaw. The meeting started a little late due to members using MacBooks for their board packets for the first time. The following directors were present: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, and Brokaw. Absent: None.

It was moved by Beitz, seconded by Mere to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Congratulations were extended to Cameron McDonald on being selected for the ICDA OPUS Honor Choir. He is one of 200 ninth graders from the state of Iowa, out of 1,000 that auditioned to be selected. It has been a really long time since a 9<sup>th</sup> grader has made it into OPUS from Monticello and Cameron has put a lot of work this fall to make it happen. He will perform at Iowa State University with the other selected students on November 21, 2013; to Abbey Beem and Meredith Melchert for being selected for the NEIBA District Honor Band; to the football players and coaches on advancing to the state playoffs. First time since 1991!; to the Cross Country teams on finishing 1<sup>st</sup> for the boys and 2<sup>nd</sup> for the girls at the District meet and advancing to state; and to Michael Melchert and Ellen Schlarmann on being District Champs!

A motion was made by Gray, seconded by Mere to approve the minutes for the special meeting on September 19; regular Board Meeting on September 23, and Special Meeting on October 9, 2013 as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Bud Johnson abstained from voting on the September 19 and September 23 minutes due to the fact that he was not yet seated on the Board. Motion carried.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Beitz to approve the bills for the month of October as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mere, seconded by Beitz to approve the finance reports for the month of September as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Anderson gave a report on Certified Enrollment. Overall we are up 2.20 students.

Principals Joan Young and Brent Meier each gave a building report. Superintendent Anderson gave the elementary report due to the late arrival of Principal Denny Folken.

Curt Tauke, Sarah Goldsmith and students Emily Davis and Taylor White gave a report on the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Ed Day.

Gretchen Kriegel gave the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report and the Annual Progress Report (APR) noting the following goals.

**2012-2013 APR Goals: All Goals Met**

**Reading Goal:** To reduce the number of low-proficient students in the 4th grade in Reading Comprehension on the Iowa tests.

**Math Goal:** To reduce the number of low-proficient students on the Iowa Assessments 4<sup>th</sup> grade Math Assessment

**Science Goal:** To reduce the number of low-proficient 4th grade students in Science on the Iowa tests.

**2013-2014 APR Goals**

**Reading Goal:** The goal of the Monticello Community School district is to increase the percentage of proficient students in the 8th grade on the Iowa Assessments reading battery.

**Math Goal:** The goal of the Monticello Community School district is to increase the percentage of proficient students in the 8th grade on the Iowa Assessments mathematics battery

**Science Goal:** The goal of the Monticello Community School district is to increase the percentage of proficient students in the 8th grade on the Iowa Assessments science battery.

**Adequate Yearly Progress** - District level report was given on the following data as well as SINA action plans for the Middle School and Carpenter Elementary

All District Totals					
School	Participation	Reading	Participation	Math	Other Academic Indicators
		Assessment		Assessment	
Monticello Comm School District (0000)	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Biennium	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Biennium	Met AYP Goal
Monticello High School (0109)	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Biennium	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Biennium	Met AYP Goal
Monticello Middle School (0209)	Met AYP Goal	Missed AYP	Met AYP Goal	Missed AYP	Met AYP Goal
Carpenter Elementary School (0409)	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Safe Harbor	Met AYP Goal	Missed AYP	Met AYP Goal
Shannon Elementary School (0418)	Met AYP Goal	Met AYP - Triennium	Met AYP Goal	Missed AYP	Met AYP Goal

Gretchen Kriegel also reported on the goals for the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC). They are as follows:

1. Long Range Goals:

- Increase student achievement in reading, math and science
- Produce students that will exhibit respect for self, others, living things and property
- Produce students that will exhibit competency in essential knowledge and skills matching his or her ability
- Produce students that exhibit civic, global and environmental responsibility
- Produce students that exhibit technological skills

2. Student Learning Goals:

- By May of each year, 44% of students in grades 3-10 will meet their growth target on Reading MAP assessment. **Continue Goal**
- By May of each year, 48% of students in grades 3-10 will meet their growth target on Math MAP assessment. **Continue Goal**
- In October 2012, 88% of our students' grades 3-11 or above will score in the proficient range or above the reading national norms on the Iowa Assessments. **Continue Goal**
- In October 2012, 87.3% of our students grades 3-11 or above will score at the proficient range or above on the math national norms on the Iowa Assessments. **Continue Goal**

3. Major Educational Needs:

1. Focus on **facility improvements** to meet the needs of 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning and safety needs
2. Maintain efforts to **recruit and maintain quality teaching staff**
3. Continued focus on **Technology Upgrades**

4. Harassment and Bullying:

- Continue to utilize Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports as the districts Bullying and Harassment prevention program and to collect baseline data for new goals for the 2014-2015 school year on individual student intervention or Tier III.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Mere to approve the Interfund Loan Resolution stating the District will borrow \$88,279.21 from the PPEL Fund at an interest rate of 2% with the borrowed money to be deposited into the General Fund and will be repaid to the PPEL Fund no later than June 30, 2014. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Beitz, seconded by Gray to approve the eleven early graduation requests as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gray, seconded by Mere to approve the following Board Committee Appointments: Negotiations/Labor Relations: Bud Johnson; Grounds/Transportation: Angie Beitz; Education: Peg Mere; and Finance: Kevin Gray. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mere, seconded by Beitz to proclaim the week of November 18-22, 2013 as American Education Week in the Monticello Community School District. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Mere to approve the Dissemination Agent Agreement with Piper Jaffray as discussed at the work session and as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson. Nay: None. Brokaw abstained from voting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Beitz, seconded by Gray to approve the winter non-teaching coach's contracts as presented. Ayes: Beitz, Mere, Gray, Johnson, Brokaw. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mere, seconded by Beitz to approve the resignation of Joe Steen as Middle School Cross Country Coach effective immediately, pending finding a suitable replacement. By roll call vote: Beitz, aye; Mere, aye; Gray, aye; Johnson, aye; Brokaw, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Beitz, seconded by Gray to approve the appointment of Casey Reyner as Special Education Child Specific Associate at the High School for approximately 7 hours per day, 5 days a week at the six month probationary rate of \$12.00 per hour, retroactive to October 14, 2013. By roll call vote: Mere, aye; Gray, aye; Johnson, aye; Brokaw, aye; Beitz, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on board pamphlets "Rebuilding Confidence After a Scandal" and "Six Keys for Promoting Positive Public Engagement" and also a recap of Chapters 1-5 of "Switch".

It was announced that the next work session is November 13 at 6:00 PM where FEH & Associates will be in attendance to discuss the facilities study and the next steps; the next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, November 25, 2013 at 6:00 PM; the IASB Delegate Assembly is scheduled for November 20, 2013 and the IASB convention is scheduled for November 20-21, 2013 in Des Moines; American Education Week is November 18-22; and there is a charter bus going to the football game on Wednesday, October 30 and to contact Sarah Kraus if interested.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Approved:

Attest:

Chris Brokaw, President

Judy Hayen, Secretary