

Official Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education for the Regular Meeting of July 27, 2020

The Board of Education regular meeting was held on Monday, July 27, 2020 in the High School Commons at 850 East Oak Street, Monticello, Iowa. Board President John Schlarmann called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Schlarmann led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Monticello CSD mission statement. Board Secretary, Judy Hayen, did roll call. The following directors were present: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Absent: Johnson. Others present were Judy Hayen, Marcy Gillmore, Brian Jaeger, Pete Temple, Kim Brooks, Kelli Osterkamp, Denny Folken, Brent Meier, Todd Werner, Joan Young, Robyn Ponder, Morgan Murray-Zimmerman, Todd & Aimee Hospodarsky, Donna Wall, Shannon Guyer, Mary Jane Maher, Rebecca DeWitte, Keith Stamp, Nadia Dwight, Diane Temple, Kay & Mike Jesenovec, Emily Recker, Dale & Jackie Yousse, Brenton Greif, Liz Medina, Andrea Janssen, Jean Kehoe, Jamie Vroegh, Melissa Motley, and Lindsay Ryan.

It was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Brenneman to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the Panther Academy Parent Handbook to Item 4.04 – Consider Approval of 2020-21 Handbooks. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Congratulations were extended to Middle School Principal Brent Meier on his retirement! We wish him all the best!

Superintendent Brian Jaeger presented the Return to Learn Plan for the 2020-21 School year. The plan included offering all 3 options of learning: brick & mortar model, online learning model, and the hybrid learning model (both brick & mortar and online learning). Principals Denny Folken, Brent Meier, and Joan Young, and Curriculum Director Robyn Ponder also presented on specifics related to their buildings.

The Board then moved on to action item 4.01 Consider Approval of the Return to Learn Plan. We invited those present that signed in to speak on this agenda item. Per Board Policy, they were each given 3 minutes to talk. We had several guests speak on the Return to Learn Plan. They were: Diane Temple, Lindsay Ryan, Liz Medina, Todd Hospodarsky, Keith Stamp, Emily Recker, Melissa Motley, and Dale Yousse.

After much discussion, it was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Brenneman to approve the Return to Learn Plan as presented with a few changes: required facial coverings during the school day and allow exceptions for medical reasons, recess, PE, and lunches; will also allow music teachers and principals to work together to create a safe environment; and the Return to Learn Plan will be reviewed monthly at our Board meetings to determine if changes are needed on our current data. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board then took a short break.

At 9:20 pm, it was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Norton to approve the Portzen Construction Change Order #10 in the amount of \$28,658.16 as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stadtmueller, seconded by Brenneman to approve the 2020-21 IASB Legislative Priorities as follows: Mental Health, Preschool, School Funding, and Standards and Accountability. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Brenneman to approve the following 2020-21 handbooks as presented: Elementary Student & Parent Handbook, Elementary Faculty Handbook, Middle School Student & Parent Handbook, Middle School Faculty Handbook; High School Student & Parent Handbook, High School Faculty Handbook, Alternative High School Handbook, Activities Department Handbook, Panther Academy Parent Handbook, and the 1-to-1 Technology Handbook. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenneman, seconded by Norton to approve the second & final reading of Board Policy #411.1 Personal Business and Tutoring as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Norton to approve the second & final reading of Board Policy 1003.1 Community Use of School District Facilities as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenneman, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy 1003.1R1 School Facilities Rental and Fee Schedule as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Norton to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy 1003.1R2 School District Facilities Request Form as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Stadtmueller to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy 1003.1R3 Community Use of School District Facilities and/or Equipment Request Form (*deletion*) as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Stadtmueller, seconded by Norton to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy 1003.1R4 Community Use of School District Facilities and Equipment Regulations (*deletion*) as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stadtmueller, seconded by Brenneman to approve the second and final reading of Board Policy 1003.1R5 ICN Room Use Regulations (*deletion*) as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Norton to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Board Member Activity Reports – John Schlarmann stated that graduation went very well at the football field on Sunday, July 19 and thanked everyone that made it happen. Amanda Brenneman thanked Mr. Brent Meier for his dedication as Middle School Principal and wished him the best in his retirement.

The Board wanted to thank the administrative team for all their work on the Return to Learn Plan.

The following announcements were made:

- a. Next Work Session is Wednesday, August 12 @ 6:00pm
- b. New Teacher Orientation this year will be done individually with the teachers.
- c. Community Tours of New Middle School will be done in August. Date to be determined.
- d. School starts Monday, August 24, 2020
- e. Next Board Meeting is Monday, August 24 @ 6:00pm

There being no further business, Norton made a motion, seconded by Stadtmueller to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 pm. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, and Norton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Approved:

Attest:

John Schlarmann, President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary