

## **Official Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education for the Regular Meeting of March 29, 2021**

President Craig Stadtmueller called the public hearing on the 2021-22 certified budget to order at 6:01pm on Monday, March 29, 2021 in the Board Room at 850 E Oak Street, Monticello, Iowa. No public comments were received. President Stadtmueller stated he was interested in increasing the income surtax and explained that in further detail. A motion was made by Schlarmann, seconded by Brenneman to close the public hearing at 6:05pm. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, McDermott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board of Education regular meeting was held on Monday, March 29, 2021 in the Board Room at the 850 E Oak Street, Monticello, Iowa, and was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Craig Stadtmueller. Superintendent Brian Jaeger 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 McDermott. Absent: Norton. Also present were: Judy Hayen, Marcy Gillmore, Brian Jaeger, Pete Temple, Mary Jane Maher, Connie Randolph, Robyn Ponder, Joan Young, Todd Werner, and Denny Folken.

It was moved by Brenneman, seconded by McDermott to approve the agenda as presented with one change - moving Item 3.04 Curriculum Director's Report to Item 3.03. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, McDermott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Dr. Jaeger then recognized Connie Randolph (associate at Carpenter Elementary) for her heroic life-saving action in performing the Heimlich maneuver on a student that was choking on March 11, 2021 and presented her with a certificate of recognition. Thank you, Connie!

Congratulations were extended to: Nick Thumma on receiving a \$500 Walgreens gift card from the WE.org teacher award. The award recognizes 1,000 teachers that go above and beyond with a \$500 gift card to use for their classroom; MHS Speech on advancing 31 events out of 35 to State! Of those 31 events 29 events received a 1 rating; the following for being nominated for Individual All-State: Grant Hospodarsky - Improv (for the second year in a row); Lauren Koehler – Storytelling; Megan Mahoney - After Dinner Speaking; and Levi Temple - Solo Musical Theater; the Monticello High School PBIS Team for being recognized and receiving the BANNER PLUS recognition for the 2019-20 school year; Tim Lambert on being named The Gazette's 2020-21 Area Coach of the Year; Gabrielle Guilford on making the 2nd Team Iowa Print Writers Association for Class 3A, All-Region, All-District, and is playing in the Iowa Basketball Coaches Association All-Star Game and the Iowa Girls Coaching Association All-Star Game for Class 3A; the High School Student Council on raising \$573 for Trees Forever to use for replacing trees lost in the derecho; Senior Levi Temple on being named first chair trombone for All-State Jazz.

Curriculum Director Robyn Ponder gave her Curriculum Director's report. Principals Denny Folken, Todd Werner, and Joan Young each gave their building report. Superintendent Jaeger also gave his report.

A motion was moved by Schlarmann, seconded by Brenneman to approve the 2021-22 certified budget as presented with \$100,000 going to the management fund, \$400,000 to the debt service fund, an increase in income surtax to 2%, for a total levy rate of \$14.11906. Ayes: Schlarmann, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, McDermott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Schlarmann to approve the resolution levying a tax for fiscal year 2021-2022 for the future optional redemption of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2019 as presented. By roll call vote: Schlarmann, aye; Stadtmueller, aye; Brenneman, aye; and McDermott, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was approved by Brenneman, seconded by McDermott to approve the resolution approving an escrow agreement and authorizing the call and partial redemption of the General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2019 as presented. By roll call vote: Stadtmueller, aye; Brenneman, aye; and McDermott, aye, and Schlarmann, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brenneman, seconded by Schlarman to approve the Monticello Sports invoices as presented. Ayes: Schlarman, Stadtmueller, and Brenneman. Nays: None. McDermott abstained. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Breneman, seconded by Schlarman to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, McDermott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Board Member Activity Reports – Board Member John Schlarman attended a track meet right before the meeting and noticed about 70% of the spectators were not wearing masks but they were social distancing as much as they could. It was a great turnout with it being the first track meet of the season.

The Board wanted the public to know that they commend Connie Randolph on her heroic efforts in saving a child from choking and that they try to keep everyone in mind and be as fair as they can when deciding on the budget and property taxes.

Agenda items for future work sessions included continued discussions on solar power.

The following announcements were made:

- Next Work Session is Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00pm
- Next Regular Board Meeting is Monday, April 26 at 6:00pm

There being no further business, Schlarman made a motion, seconded by McDermott to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm. Ayes: Schlarman, Stadtmueller, Brenneman, McDermott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Approved:

Attest:

Craig Stadtmueller, President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary