

**Official Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education for the
Regular Meeting of October 28, 2024**

The Board of Education regular meeting was held on Monday, October 28, 2024, in the Board Room at 850 East Oak Street, Monticello, Iowa. Board Vice President Mandy Norton called the meeting to order, in lieu of Craig Stadtmueller's absence, at 6:00 pm. Board member Tony Amsler led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Monticello CSD mission statement. Board Secretary, Judy Hayen, did roll call. The following directors were present: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Absent: Stadtmueller. Others present were Judy Hayen, Marcy Gillmore, Brian Jaeger, Pete Temple, Nick Schauf, Todd Werner, Robyn Ponder, and Shannon Guyer.

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Rieken to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Congratulations were extended to: our principals Nick, Todd, and Shannon for their dedication and teamwork. Thank you and happy principals' month; the following all conference volleyball players: Jayden Kuper - 1st team & Co-Player of the Year, Mya Hansen- 2nd team setter, Madilynn Kromminga- 2nd team, Hailey Henderson- Honorable mention.

Marcy Gillmore gave her annual treasurer's report.

Elementary Principal Shannon Kehoe was absent.

Middle school Principal Todd Werner's report: In September we held 'Shadow a Student' day and had over 110 visitors and received lots of great feedback; 7th grade had their outdoor ed day, always a fun day; we've been practicing our safety drills; and we have our first night of parent teacher conferences this week.

High school Principal Nick Schauf's report: Mr. Schauf gave the board members bracelets with the wording '*kulia i ka nu'u*' (strive to reach the summit), which is their theme this year; Fall sports and activities are winding down; the musical is coming up; the high school created their own Instagram and Facebook page; virtual learning for the high school includes students doing a job shadow or college visit – students are liking this so far; and with the new attendance policies we are seeing some positive changes.

Robyn Ponder curriculum director's report: Kudos to our secretaries on adapting to the changes due to our new guidance on attendance; the Tech team and a teacher from each grade level attended the ITEC conference last week; updated the Board on changes to the Technology policies that are on the agenda for approval; the Special Education District Developed Service Delivery Plan is up for review this year and we are asking for approval of the committee that will be reviewing this plan tonight.

Superintendent Jaeger's report: Thank you to our principals who do a wonderful job and also to Robyn Ponder, our Curriculum Director (who doesn't get her own month) but is the glue that keeps everything together; we've been busy getting the word out about the school bond election on November 5; I did the rotary presentation today on what's happening in our district. Shannon Guyer then gave an update on how our Therapy Dog, Fidget is doing, today was his first full day and he did great. The students and staff are enjoying him!

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Rieken to approve the 2024-25 nine early graduation requests as presented. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Rieken to appoint Tony Amsler as our Delegate for the IASB Convention on November 20. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Amsler to approve the application to the SBRC for English Language (EL) excess costs in the amount of \$73,215.21 as presented. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Rieken to approve the Special Education District Developed Service Delivery Plan Committee as presented. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rieken, seconded by Schlarmann to approve the first reading of the following Board policies as presented: #503.8 Student Use of Motor Vehicles, #604.3E2 Objection to and Reconsideration of Instructional Sample Letter Response to Request (*deletion*), #604.4 Use of Information Resources, #605.1 Appropriate Use of District Technology, Network Systems, and Internet Access, #605.2 Issuing District Technology to Staff and Students, #605.2E1 Staff Technology Acceptance Form and Consent to Use of District Technology, Network Systems and Internet Access (*deletion*), #605.2E2 Student Technology Acceptance Form and Consent to Use of District Technology, Network Systems and Internet Access (*deletion*), #605.3E1 Modification of Technology Protection Measures Forms (*deletion*). Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schlarmann, seconded by Amsler to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Board Member Activity Reports: John Schlarmann thanked Marcy Gillmore for her Treasurer's report and the great job she does. We've slowly built our unspent balance back up. Mandy Norton congratulated the volleyball team on their success and being the first team to make it to the regional finals.

Board members wanted the public to know that our finances are in the range/goals of where we want to be.

The following announcements were made:

- Next Work Session is Wednesday, November 13 @ 6:00pm
- IASB Delegate Assembly is November 20
- IASB Annual Convention is November 20-21
- Next Board Meeting is Monday, November 25 @ 6:00pm

There being no further business, Schlarmann made a motion, seconded by Rieken to adjourn the meeting at 6:59pm. Ayes: Amsler, Norton, Schlarmann, and Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Approved:

Attest:

Mandy Norton, Vice President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary