

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MONTICELLO  
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting  
January 9, 2019

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President Tim Bruns at 7:31 p.m. Present: Tim Bruns, Ron Blumer, Randall Smith, Julie Havens, Becky Clark, Tyler Smith, and Trina Zanow. Administration: Al Brokopp, Mark Gustafson, Mary Cormican and Jean McMannes. Audience: Laura Curry, Rich Bailey, Tony DiCristina, Joe DiCristina.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- III. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Ron Blumer to approve the agenda, seconded by Julie Havens, motion carried.
- IV. **Communications/Concerns from the Public:** Thank you cards will be sent to Janet Jones, Amy Thoman and Kim and Joni Buehl for recent monetary donations.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** Ron Blumer reported total December cash receipts of \$533,569.89 and expenses of \$434,560.29. **Food Service Report:** None. **Faculty Report:** None.
- VI. **Administrative Team Reports: Bookkeeper (Audit Discussion):** Bookkeeper Laura Curry reported that auditors recommended making activity accounts district accounts and discussed possible changes. **Director of Pupil Services:** Mary Cormican reported that Special Ed monthly meetings have been very beneficial to staff. Improvements have been noted in reading levels. **PreK-12 Principal:** Mr. Gustafson reported that students in grades 8-11 will meet in groups with teachers for schedule planning. Transition meetings are being scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Meetings will be held to discuss JAMB Academic Co-op shared classes. Teachers have been meeting and brainstorming ideas to improve student math scores and develop skills to be successful. A team of math teachers will talk to individual grade levels to discuss ideas. Second semester starts January 22. Suicide Prevention Awareness Night will be held at the January 25 basketball game, and t-shirts will be sold at the game. **District Administrator:** Mr. Brokopp reported that the annual holiday meal was very successful and 593 meals were served. We may need extra tables next year. We are also looking at employee health insurance and may be able to get a 5 year freeze on our premium bid.
- VII. **Consent Agenda:** Motion by Becky Clark, second by Julie Havens to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 12, 2018, vouchers 51246-51308 and manual checks 1503-1513 and voided checks 51227 in the amount of \$265,026.11; and December payroll in the amount of \$169,534.18, motion carried.
- VIII. **Old Business:** The Academic Co-op is starting to plan shared classes for next school year. It was suggested that as we continue to discuss future referendum needs that board members talk to architects at the upcoming state school board convention.
- IX. **New Business:** Technology Director Rich Bailey discussed options for phone systems and printer/copiers. TDS says we are already receiving their best rate. Heartland would offer a Cisco phone system lease for \$1,723.67 per month for 36 months at 0%. We are currently paying TDS \$2,315.62 per month. Motion by Tyler Smith, second by Ron Blumer to switch to Heartland/Cisco, motion carried. Motion by Ron Blumer, second by Tyler Smith to approve the proposal presented by Gordon Flesch for printer/copiers, motion carried. Motion by Julie Havens, second by Becky Clark to approve the recommended Open Enrollment Special Ed maximum space availability as presented, motion carried. Motion by Randall Smith, second by Trina Zanow to approve the resignation of Middle School Education Assistant Christina Thoman, motion carried. Assistant Softball Coach interviews will be held Friday. Motion by Ron Blumer to approve Policy 5110.00 Open Enrollment revision and Policy 5103.00 Entrance Age revision, waiving the second reading. Motion was seconded by Julie Havens, motion carried.

- X. **Future Board Agenda Items:** Post Prom request.
- XI. **Future Meeting Dates:** State School Board Convention January 23-25, 2019; regular school board meeting February 13 at 7:30 p.m.; JAMB all school boards meeting March 27 at 7:00 p.m.
- XII. **Contemplated Executive Session for Consideration of 2019-2020 Staffing; Budgeting; and Administrative Contracts and Performance Pursuant to 19.85(1)(c)(e), Wis. State Statutes:** Motion by Julie Havens to go into closed session at 8:48 p.m. Motion was seconded by Trina Zanow and carried.
- XIII. **Reconvene into Open Session for Further Consideration and/or Action on the Above Referenced Items, Including Items Discussed in Closed Session, if Appropriate:** Motion by Julie Havens, second by Ron Blumer to reconvene into open session at 9:24 p.m., motion carried. The school board is very pleased with our administrative team and fully intends to honor full employment contracts.
- XIV. **Adjourn:** Motion by Becky Clark, second by Randall Smith to adjourn at 9:25 p.m., motion carried.
- XV. **Adjourn:** Motion by Julie Havens to adjourn at 8:39 p.m., second by Randall Smith and carried.

**Approving Official:**

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These minutes are subject to approval by the School District of Monticello Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting.