

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MONTICELLO  
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting  
September 14, 2022

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Randall Smith at 7:30 p.m. Present: Tyler Smith, Mike Aquino, Sally Roe, and Elise Constantini. Absent: Ron Blumer and Becky Clark. Administration: Al Brokopp, Mark Gustafson, Carley Francois, and Denise Swanson. Faculty: Alma Mentz, Deb Freitag, Mackenzie Sarbacker, Chris Pickett, and Dawson Babcock (Sarah Quade?). Audience: Lita Appel.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- III. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Tyler Smith to approve the agenda and to approve the addition of a WIAA Coop discussion to the agenda, seconded by Mike Aquino, motion carried.
- IV. **Communications/Concerns from the Public:** Lita Appel addressed the board about a safety protocol. Certification of Participation in WASB was passed around. Thank you to MPPM Insurance for their annual monetary donation of school supplies. Thank you to Jacob's SWAG for the mental health floor stickers. Thank you to Lt. Harkey for serving custard at our Open House on August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- V. **Faculty Report:** Ms. Mentz informed the board about how all day 4K is going. Though tiring, they are accomplishing a lot due to a full time aide and 2 teachers and getting a lot of individual work time. There's a great guidance program they're using that helps the students understand their feelings. Mrs. Freitag said all is going well in middle school. She also said Ms. Sarbacker and Mr. Pickett are great additions to the middle school. **Treasurer's Report:** Tyler Smith reported total cash receipts of \$700,241.48 and total expenses of \$402,206.62 for August. **Food Service Report:** None.
- VI. **Administrative Team Reports:** Mr. Gustafson introduced our new staff members and a few who have switched positions – Dawson Babcock, MS/HS Band Director; Chris Pickett, MS Math Teacher; Mackenzie Sarbacker – MS Special Education; Carley Francois – Director of Pupil Services. Mr. Gustafson also stated school started off well. Mr. Brokopp reported UW Oshkosh is up and going for our College English courses. Mr. Brokopp also updated the board on an annual committee policy meeting about human growth and development and wellness.
- VII. **Approval of Minutes, Payroll and Vouchers:** Motion by Tyler Smith, seconded by Sally Roe to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 10, 2022 and vouchers 54298-54327 and manual checks #2135, 2137-2150 and voided checks 5429 & 54316 in the amount of \$240,296.59 and August payroll in the amount of \$161,910.03.
- VIII. **Old Business:** None.
- IX. **New Business:** Motion by Elise Constantini to approve the Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,500,000 and Calling a Public Hearing in Connection Therewith, seconded by Tyler Smith, motion carried. Motion by Sally Roe to approve the 2023 Costa Rica trip, seconded by Elise Constantini, motion carried. Motion by Sally Roe to approve the 2023 Washington D.C. trip, seconded by Mike Aquino, motion carried. **Referendum Planning:** Bus garage needs to be approved and a contractor chosen at the special meeting on September 26. Motion by Tyler Smith to approve the resignation of Amber White, K-12 art teacher, seconded by Mike Aquino, motion carried. Motion by Mike Aquino to approve the retirement of John Baebler, custodian, seconded by Sally Roe, motion carried. There were no contracts. Mr. Brokopp stated he met with the New Glarus superintendent and they discussed our

football co-op with them. There is talk that they would like to end the co-op with us which means we may do a tri-op with Argyle and Pecatonica or a co-op with Albany may be an option.

**X. Future Meeting Topics:** Food Service needs

**XI. Future Meeting Dates:** Policy Committee Meeting September 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. Special Meeting September 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting October 12, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. Annual Board Meeting October 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

**XII. Adjourn:** Motion by Sally Roe to adjourn at 8:47 p.m., seconded by Tyler Smith. Motion 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.