

**Medford Area Public School District  
Regular Board of Education Meeting  
Medford Area Middle School  
April 22, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Medford Area Public School District Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Fleegel, on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office Board Room.

**Roll Call**

Roll call indicated that Board Members Dave Fleegel, Kurt Werner, Brian Hallgren, Steve Deml, Aemus Balsis, Corey Dassow, John Zuleger, Jodi Nuernberger, and Don Everhard were present. District Administrator Pat Sullivan was present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Open Meeting Compliance**

Dave Fleegel stated, "This meeting has been posted in accordance with the state open meeting law."

**Organizational Business:**

**Jodi Nuernberger provided the report of the Spring Election Results.**

**Election of President:** John Zuleger/Cory Dassow nominated Dave Fleegel for President. (Everhard/Balsis) Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion Carried

**Election of Vice President:** Dave Fleegel nominated John Zuleger for Vice President. Kurt Werner nominated Don Everhard. Ballots were cast. Don Everhard 5 votes, John Zuleger 4 votes. Don Everhard is the new Vice President.

**Election of Clerk:** Dave Fleegel Jodi Nuernberger for Clerk. (Fleegel/Deml) Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried.

**Election of Treasurer:** Don Everhard nominated Brian Hallgren for Treasurer. (Fleegel/Nuernberger) Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried.

**Designation of Official Depositories:** Motion to approve designation of official depositories (Abby Bank, Nicolet, Mid America, Forward, Associated Bank) as presented. (Fleegel/Deml) Motion carried

**Designation of official Newspaper:** Motion to designate Star News as the official newspaper. (Fleegel/Deml) Motion carried.

**Appointment of WASB Delegate and Alternate Delegate:** Motion to appoint Jodi Nuernberger as the WASB Delegate (Fleegel/Hallgren) Motion carried. Motion to appoint John Zuleger as the WASB Alternate Delegate (Fleegel/Hallgren) Motion carried

**Appointment of CESA Representative:** Dave Fleegel nominated to appoint Dave Fleegel as the CESA Representative. Motion carried. John Zullerger nominated Don Everhard as the CESA Alternate Representative. Motion carried

**Discussion of Committee Appointment Process:** Dave Fleegel will distribute committee

assignments and share when complete.

**Swearing in of new board members:** New board members were sworn in.

**Period of Public Comment:**

**Correspondence:** There was an update about a threat at MASH that happened in the afternoon on 4/22/2024. The police immediately investigated. It was determined the threat was NOT valid. There is no threat to student safety.

**Good News:** Summer School Opened and went well

**MASH Student Council Report:** Update on Spring Fling Week and Prom

**Legislative Update:** None

**Consent Agenda**

Motion (Deml/Zuleger) to approve the consent agenda: Approval of Agenda; Secretary's Report; Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2024; Approval of treasurer's report, personnel reports, and approval of the international exchange student from France. Motion carried.

**Regular Business**

- 1. Board Committee Discussion:** This was discussed in organizational business.
- 2. Health Insurance:** Continued Discussion on health insurance continues. (Motion from finance) to discontinue the EAP program as of July 1st. Roll Call Vote: **Yes**, Zuleger, Hallgren, Everhard, Deml **No**, Nuernberger, Fleegel, Balsis, Dassow, Werner. Motion fails 4:5
- 3. Curriculum Director Duties / Position:** Laura Lundy presented on responsibilities and role of the curriculum director. Motion (Hallgren/Deml) to approve Elizabeth Rachu as the director of curriculum and instruction with a salary of \$85,000 + benefits, 235 contract days effective 7/1/2024. Motion carried.
- 4. Raider Hall / Bleachers:** Pat Sullivan and Adam Schwarz presented information on new bleachers. Motion (Fleegel/Hallgren) to go forward with the bleacher project. Roll Call Vote: No, none Yes, Werner, Zuleger, Hallgren, Fleegel, Dassow, Deml, Balsis, Nuernberger, Everhard. Motion passes
- 5. Graduation:** Friday, May 24, 2024 we will hold graduation rain or shine. They will not have the large screens on the track due to cost, but they will have it live streamed. There will be reserved seats for the best seats in the house, but for no other guests. There was confusion last year as to why there were some reserved seats and they were just for the best seat in the house winners. You can sit on the track and bring a lawn chair as an option as well. To clarify, fireworks are paid for by the classes if we have them, it is the senior class's decision about paying for them and having them as part of the ceremony.
- 6. City Easement:** There is a water line underneath our parking lot and the city is eligible for a grant if they have an easement. Motion (Fleegel/Deml) to pass the utility easement agreement with the city. Motion carried.
- 7. Class Size / Section Update:** Administrators gave an update on class sizes and sections.
- 8. Potential Referendum:** Discussion of potential referendum. Dave Koester will be holding another community meeting but no date is set at this time.
- 9. Fund 46 Plan:** Audra Brooks presented on fund 46 and the long term facility plan was reviewed.
- 10. Credit Reimbursement:** Recommendation from finance to increase credit reimbursement from \$125 per credit to \$175 per credit maximum of 3 credits per year for credits earned after July 1, 2024. Motion carried.
- 11. CD Renewal:** Audra Brooks presented on CD renewal. Our current CD expires at

the end of this month. Motion from finance to renew the CD for 9 months.

**12. Update on Finance Meeting:** Brian Hallgren and Audra Brooks presented an update on the finance meeting. Motion from finance to approve a 3% increase on the food service contract. Motion carried.

**13. Consideration/Discussion of Budget Study**

**a. 2024 - 25 Budget Study:** Audra Brooks presented on the 2024 - 25 budget study.

**b. Presentation of Instructional Budgets:** Audra Brooks presented on instructional budgets.

**14. Consideration of Board Policy Adoption and/or Deletion:**

**a. For Second Reading Adoption:** EEAEAA Drug and Alcohol Testing for Bus Drivers, EEBA Use of District-Owned Vehicles, EEBA Use of Private Vehicles on School Business, EF Food Services Management, IIBGA Internet Safety/Information Technology-Students, IIBGAB Internet Safety/District Website-Students

**b. For First Reading:** EFB Free and Reduced Price Food Services, EGAD District-Owned Cell Phone Use Guidelines, EI Insurance Management, FEA Developing Educational Specifications

**c. Review/Consideration:** RVA-DB Operational Budget and Agreements, (Motion to accept policy consideration)

Motion (Nuernberger/Dassow) to approve second reading as presented and for the drug and alcohol testing for bus drivers to maintain the use of safety sensitive functions. Motion carried.

Motion (Deml/Fleegel) to approve RVA-DB as presented. Motion carried.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn (Zulger/Ballsis) Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Nicole Gebert

Recording Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Jodi Nuernberger

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_