

**Medford Area Public School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Medford Area Public School District Office
April 26, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Medford Area Public School District Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Fleegel, on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Roll Call

Roll call indicated that Board Members Cheryl Wibben, John Zuleger, Brian Hallgren, Dave Fleegel, Paul Dixon, Steve Deml, Aemus Balsis, Jodi Nuernberger, and Don Everhard were present. District Administrator Pat Sullivan was present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Meeting Law Compliance

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

Organizational Business

1. Clerk's report of Spring Election Results
Cheryl Wibben presented the Spring 2021 Election results

2. Organization Meeting
 - a. Election of President, Vice President, Clerk and Treasurer
John Zuleger nominated Dave Fleegel for President
Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot (Dixon/Wibben) Motion carried.

Dave Fleegel nominated Paul Dixon for Vice President.
Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot (Fleegel/Wibben) Motion carried.

John Zuleger nominated Cheryl Wibben for Clerk.
Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot (Fleegel/Everhard) Motion carried.

Cheryl Wibben nominated Brian Hallgren for Treasurer.
Moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot (Fleegel/Zuleger) Motion carried.

3. Designation of Official Depositories
Motion to approve designation of official depositories as presented (Wibben/Deml)
 1. Nicolet National Bank, Medford, WI
 2. Local Government Investment Pool
 3. Forward Financial Bank, Medford, WI
 4. AbbyBank, Medford, WI
 5. Nicolet National Wealth Management, Medford, WI
 6. Mid-America Administrative Retirement Solutions, Florida

4. Designation of Official Newspaper
Motion to designate Star News as the official newspaper (Hallgren/Deml). Motion carried.

5. Appointment of WASB Delegate and Alternate Delegate
Motion to appoint Paul Dixon as the WASB Delegate (Fleegel/Zuleger) Motion passed.
Motion to appoint John Zuleger as the WASB Alternate Delegate (Fleegel/Deml) Motion passed.

6. Appointment of CESA Representative and Alternate Representative
Dave Fleegel nominated to appoint Steve Deml as the CESA Representative. Passed
Brian Hallgren nominated to appoint Jodi Nuernberger as the CESA Alternate Representative. Passed.

7. Discussion of Committee Appointment Process

Dave Fleegel will distribute committee assignments and share within the next week.

Period of Public Comment

Jessica Peterson, Mara Denzine, Quintin Denzine, Stacy Olson, Ethan Mottle, Sara Hamm, Mckenzie Smith, Nakitta Muehlbauer, Darla Scholls, Ann Mahner, Christopher Hughes, and Jerry Kohn addressed the board regarding mask requirements.

Barb Krug addressed the board regarding the 2021-22 school calendar.

Fred Ebert and Justin Olson addressed the board regarding mask requirements and the referendum.

Correspondence

1. Recognitions – Barb Knight was recognized for serving on the board since 2013
2. Good News
3. Legislative Update

Consent Agenda

Motion (Dixon/Wibben) to approve the consent agenda including [Approval of Agenda; Approval of Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes from March 22, 2021, Approval of Treasurer's Report; Approval of Personnel Report; Approval of RVA 66.0301 Agreements with Crandon, Chilton, Denmark, Gresham, East Troy, Kewaunee, New Holstein, North Crawford, and Weyauwega-Fremont School Districts for 2021-22 school year] Motion carried.

Regular Business

1. Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds, the establishment of an escrow account with respect to and the defeasance of certain of the general obligation promissory notes, dated June 22, 2016

Motion (from Finance committee Fleegel/Deml) to approve the adoption of the cash defeasance resolution as presented. Motion passed 9-0.

2. Mask Requirements

Motion (Fleegel/Wibben) that masks become optional for the entire Medford School District as long as the 7-day average reported by Taylor County stays below 15 cases. The Covid statistics of positive cases are reported on Tuesdays. This applies to all staff, all students, all visitors for the remainder of the current school year and through summer school.

WIAA Rules will still be followed. Bus riders will still be required to wear masks on the bus.

Motion to end mask requirement discussion (Everhard/Dixon) Roll call vote: Dixon, Everhard, Deml, Balsis, Fleegel, Wibben, Zuleger – Yes; Nuernberger, Hallgren – No. Passed 7-2

Roll call vote to make masks optional: Deml, Balsis, Fleegel, Zuleger, Everhard, Wibben – Yes; Hallgren, Dixon, Nuernberger – No. Passed 6-3

3. MASH Infrastructure Plan

The board discussed the MASH infrastructure plan and reviewed the 10-year facility plan.

4. Driver's Ed for 2021-22 School Year

Motion to approve Driver's Ed to be offered as it has in the past through Crabbman's Driver Education. (Hallgren/Deml) Motion passed.

5. Remote Learning Plan for 2021-22

Motion that remote learning for 2021-22 will not be offered like it is this year. Students that want to learn virtually can apply to RVA. (Hallgren/Dixon) Motion passed 8-1.

6. 2021-22 School Calendar

No discussion, school calendar for 2021-22 will stay as is

7. June Board Retreat

The board will choose a date in June to have the school attorney attend a meeting to learn more about school laws and board member duties

8. Update on Finance Meeting

Motion (from finance) to approve the Fund 38 plan as presented by Dave Makovsky and Audra. Motion carried.

Recommendation from finance to replace MAMS dishwasher for \$45,000. Motion carried.

Seamless Summer Option - school meals will continue for summer school and next school year.

Motion to reject Dave's donation made at the April 7, 2021 board meeting. (Hallgren/Wibben) Roll call vote: Zuleger, Nuernberger, Hallgren, Balsis, Everhard, Wibben, Deml – Yes; Fleegel, Dixon – No. Passed 7-2

9. Consideration of 2021-22 Budget Study

a. 2021-22 Budget Study

b. Presentation of Instructional, Operations and Maintenance Budgets

Audra Brooks provided the 21-22 budget study and instructional, operations, and maintenance budgets

10. Presentation of Curriculum Connection – One Book, One School

Laura Lundy presented Curriculum Connection – One Book, One School

Contemplate Adjourning to Closed Session

Motion (Zuleger/Deml) to adjourn to closed session. Roll call vote: Deml, Everhard, Wibben, Balsis, Dixon, Zuleger, Fleegel, Hallgren, Nuernberger-Yes. Motion carried 9-0. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:05 p.m.

Under Wisconsin Statutes to discuss: Professional Staff Termination Hearing/Possible Resignation

From time to time, the Board may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(b) to consider dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, or considering the grant or denial of tenure for a university faculty member, and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the faculty member or other public employee or person licensed is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action may be taken. The notice shall contain a statement that the person has the right to demand that the evidentiary hearing or meeting be held in open session.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn (Hallgren/Zuleger). Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Sara Budimlja
Recording Secretary

Cheryl Wibben
Clerk