

**Medford Area Public School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Medford Area Middle School
October 30, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Medford Area Public School District Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Fleegel, on Monday, October 30, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Roll Call

Roll call indicated that Board Members Kurt Werner, Brian Hallgren, Steve Deml, Aemus Balsis, Don Everhard, Jodi Nuernberger, Corey Dassow, and Dave Feegel were present. Absent: John Zuleger. 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."

Period of Public Comment: Duane Parkinson: He would like to see a difference in how bullies are handled within the school district. Kaci Rachu: Introduced herself as the president of the Medford Education Association.

Correspondence

1. Student Council Update: none
2. Recognitions: Girls Cross Country team and Tanner Hrabý qualified for state.
3. Legislative Update: No Update

Consent Agenda

Motion (Hallgren/Nuernberger) to approve the consent agenda: Approval of Agenda; Secretary's Report; of Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2023; Approval of treasurer's report, personnel reports, seclusion & restraint report, and approval of student overnight/out of state travel.

Regular Business

1. **2024-2025 & 2025-2026 Calendar:** Laura Lundy presented on the upcoming calendars. Motion (Deml/Nuernberger) to accept calendars as presented. Roll Call Vote, Yes: Deml, Everhard, Neuernberger, No: Werner, Balsis, Dassow, Fleegel, Hallgren. Motion Fails
Discussion on having school done prior to Memorial Day. Motion (Fleegel/Hallgren) to accept the calendars with only 3 days for snow/weather. Motion carried.
2. **MASH Entrance:** Adam Schwarz gave an update on the MASH entrance project. They are hoping to be moved into the space in November. Jill presented signage that they would like to have at MASH, which consists of indoor and outdoor signs for the building.
Motion from finance to approve main entrance sign and additional indoor office, room signs and lighting for front entrance not to exceed \$9000. Motion carried
Motion (Hallgren/Nuernberger) to approve \$12,923.13 for the side of the building sign quote #26983. Roll call vote: Yes, Dassow, Everhard, Hallgren, Werner, Balsis, Nuernberger. No, Fleegel, Deml. Motion Carried
Motion (Hallgren) to approve quote number 26982 for a large digital sign. Motion does not receive a second. Motion fails
3. **Football/Soccer Field Plaza:** Pat Sullivan presented on the football/soccer field plaza. Photos were shared of possibilities of what a finished product could look like.

Discussion if we should go forward with the project and start inquiring about any donations that area business or community members would want to make towards this project. Motion (Fleegel/Hallgren) to proceed with the project and the cost not to exceed \$200,000. Roll call vote: Yes, Balsis, Dassow, Fleegel, Deml, Hallgren, Werner. No, Everhard, Nuernberger. Motion Carried

4. **Kuse Land Agreement:** Al Leonard was present for any questions about the agreement to use the Nature Preserve. We would be able to continue cross country meets at this location. Motion (Deml/Fleegel) to pay \$500 per year to use the Kuse Farm Museum and Nature Preserve. Motion Carried
5. **Potential November 2024 Referendum:** Discussion on possible referendum for November of 2024. They would like to hold community meetings to get an idea from the public what they would like to see in a referendum. More discussion to come on this topic.
6. **Health, Dental, and Vision Renewals:** Cory Toth presented on insurance renewals. Motion (Hallgren/Everhard) to accept the proposal as presented, including the increase to the HSA. Motion carried Motion (Fleegel/Hallgren) to approve the vision and dental plans as presented. Motion carried .
7. **Update on Finance Meeting:** Brian Hallgren and Audra Brooks presented updates from the finance meeting.
8. **Fund 46 CD:** Motion from finance to approve moving dollars from fund 46 into a 6 month CD with Forward Bank at 5.5% interest. Motion carried
9. **Approval of the 2023/2024 Revised Budget:** Audra Brooks presented on the revised 2023/2024 budget. Motion from finance to approve the 2023/2024 revised budget as presented. Motion carried
10. **Tax Levy and Mill Rate:** Audra Brooks presented on the tax levy and mill rate. Our mill rate will be 5.87.
In accordance with Wisconsin Statute 120.12(3) it is resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of Medford adopt a tax levy for the 2023-24 year in the amount of \$8,042,125 which calls for an estimated all fund tax levy mill rate of 5.87 mills (\$5.87 per \$1000 of equalized property value). [Understanding that "on or before, November 1 the school board shall determine the amount necessary to be raised to operate and maintain the schools of the school district if the annual meeting has not voted a tax sufficient for such purposes for the school year. "Wisconsin Statute 120.12(3)(a)]. A motion is needed to adopt a tax levy for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$8,042,125 which calls for an estimated tax levy mill rate of 5.87 mills. Motion from finance to adopt full budget and tax levy as presented. Motion carried
11. **A. For Second Reading Adoption:** EBCA Staff/Student Death, ECA Buildings and Grounds Security, ECAA Access to Buildings, ECAB Vandalism, ECAC Unmanned Aerial Vehicles on School Property
B. For First Reading: ECD Traffic and Parking Controls, ED Material Resource Management, EDCB Purchase and/or Use of School, Equipment for Students/Staff, EDE Management of Hazardous Substances
C. Consideration: RVA-JECBE Shared Enrollment

Motion (from policy) to approve second reading as presented. Motion carried.

Motion (Fleegel/Everhard) to approve consideration (RVA-JECBE) shared enrollment as presented. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn (Dassow/Deml) Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Nicole Gebert

Recording secretary_____

Jodi Nuernberger

Clerk_____