

**Medford Area Public School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Medford Area School District Office
February 24, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Medford Area Public School District Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Fleegel, on Monday, February 24, 2025, at 6:03 p.m. at the District Office Board Room.

Roll Call

Roll call indicated that Board Members Dave Fleegel, Don Everhard, Steve Deml, Aemus Balsis, Kurt Werner, John Zuleger, Brian Hallgren, and were present. Corey Dassow and Jodi Nuernberger were absent. District Administrator Laura Lundy 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: Dwayne Parkinson and his son presented.

Recognitions/Good News: Each building throughout the district shared good news that has been happening there.

MASH Student Council Report: N/A

Legislative Update: Laura Lundy presented the legislative update.

Consent Agenda

Motion (Zuleger/Deml) to approve the consent agenda: Approval of Agenda; Secretary's Report; Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2025, approval of treasurer's report and personnel reports. Approval of the New RVA Affiliated Member District Stanley-Boyd and New RVA Invested Member District, Shawno. Approval of 2 foreign exchange students from Switzerland. Motion carried.

Regular Business

1. **Educator of the Month:** Postponed to next month
2. **Legislative Dinner:** The dinner will be held on April 14th in the Red/White Theater at 5:30 p.m. As of today three legislators have confirmed: Senator Jesse James, Rep David Armstrong, and Rep John Spiros
3. **Curriculum Connection:** Elizabeth Rachu presented the curriculum connection on ACT 20.
4. **High School Testing Plan:** Elizabeth Rachu presented the high school testing plan. They would like to have a one and done testing day on March 25, 2025. This would combine the PreACT and ACT testing day for students in grades 9-11. It allows a post-secondary planning day for seniors. Motion (Fleegel/Hallgren) to approve the One and Done testing day including an optional check out for students finished testing and a post-secondary planning day for seniors. Motion carried.
5. **Student Fees:** The student fees were reviewed annually by the board. There are no changes at this time.
6. **Finance Meeting Update:** Brian Hallgren updated the board on the finance meeting. At the meeting there was a food service update, review of the 2025-2026 budget booklet and health insurance timeline discussed. The referendum bond rating is final. Interest rates are locked at 4.48%, we received a AA- rating, and funds will be deposited on April 3, 2025.
Laura Lundy presented on health insurance. The insurance timeline was reviewed. In March 2025 we will form an insurance committee and Spectrum (our current

broker) will go out to bid. In April/May/June 2025 the committee will review options available. In August/September the committee will present their recommendation to the full board.

- 7. Construction Update & Consideration of Wendel/Miron Contracts:** Dan Miller presented on the MAES remodel. Motion from finance to proceed with the MAES/special ed library remodel to be paid out of fund 46. Motion carried. Discussion on building project updates. Motion from finance to accept the Wendel contract for architect services as presented. Motion carried.
- 8. Consideration of Board Policy Adoption and/or Deletion:**
 - a. For Second Reading:** GBFA Staff Serving as Volunteers, GBG Staff Participation in Political Activities, GBH Staff-Student Relations, GBI Staff Gifts and Solicitations
 - b. For First Reading:** N/A
 - c. Review/Consideration:** BBE Unexpired Term Fulfillment, EEA Student Transportation Services/ Route Requests GBCBC Pre-Employment Drug Testing, JFCIA Co-Curricular Drug Testing, IGBF Homeless Children & Youths (DELETE) JLG Homeless Children & Youths (NEW), JFG Interviews and Searches, RVA-JE Virtual School Attendance/Participation

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

Motion (from policy) to approve consideration as presented, which did not include BBE and JFCIA. Motion carried.

Contemplate Adjourning to Closed Session

1. Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e).

Motion (Hallgren/Werner) to adjourn to closed session. Roll Call Vote: Yes, Dave Fleegel, Kurt Werner, Don Everhard, Aemus Balsis, Steve Deml, John Zuleger, Brian Hallgren.

Motion carried 7-0

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:04 p.m.

A short break was taken to clear the board room. Motion (Hallgren/Werner) to reconvene in closed session. Motion carried. Meeting convened in closed session at 7:10 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn (Hallgren/Everhard) at 7:19 p.m.

Nicole Gebert

Recording Secretary_____

Jodi Nuernberger

Clerk_____