

Medford Area Public School District Regular Board of Education Meeting March 16, 2017

The regular meeting of the Medford Area Public School District Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Fleegel, on Thursday, March 16, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Medford Area Public School District, District Office.

Roll Call

Roll call indicated that Board Members Brandon Brunner, Paul Dixon, Dave Fleegel, Barb Knight, Mark Reuter, DeDe Strama and Mark Temme were present. Jeff Peterson and Cheryl Wibben were absent. Administrator Pat Sullivan was present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Meeting Law Compliance

Dave Fleegel stated that a copy of the agenda was sent to the Medford Area Public Schools, Star News, WKEB/WIGM Radio and was posted at the District Office.

Public Comment

Mark Temme shared some menu items his daughter has been cooking for the family, while on spring break, that she learned in school. He indicated that there is a lot that is/can be learned while going to college.

Correspondence

1. Student Council Presentation
Jay Czerniak, Student Council President, updated the board on the Spring Blood Drive, Educator of the Year, Spring Fling, upcoming Student Council officer elections, and this may be his last board presentation due to participation in baseball and pending graduation.
2. Good News
Charlie Heckel shared with the board a new brochure which was created to provide to families attending and interested in attending the RVA.

Jill Lybert congratulated Command Sergeant Major Timothy Guden, Harvey Malchow, James Kauss and Russ Wanke for being inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame. Congratulations also went to five seniors and 37 juniors for being inducted into the National Honor Society.
3. Legislative Meeting Update
Board members reviewed the March 6 Legislative Meeting and were told that the 2018 meeting has been scheduled for March 5, 2018.
4. Legislative Update
None.
5. April Board of Education Meetings
The board was reminded that there are two meetings scheduled in April. The regular board meeting will be held on April 20 and the reorganizational meeting will be held on April 24.

Consent Agenda

Motion (Dixon/Reuter) to approve the consent agenda [Approval of Agenda; Secretary's Report - Approval of Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes from February 16, 2017 (open & closed); Approval of Treasurer's Report; Approval of the Personnel Report; and Approval of Gilman and Tomah RVA Consortium Agreements]. Motion carried.

Regular Business

1. Update on Referendum Projects
 - a. Swimming Pool & Locker Rooms
The board was updated that Jeff Albers, Dennis Huotari, Dave Makovsky, Pat Sullivan and Marc Zettler reviewed the project bids (along with alternate bids) this afternoon. Due to the fact that the bids were significantly over budget, Dennis Huotari and Marc Zettler will conduct a "value engineering" process with all bidders. A special board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 6 p.m. to review the updated bids.
 - b. MAMS Campus – Pick Up/Drop Off Plans
The bids still need to be reviewed. The board will discuss more at the next meeting.
 - c. MASH Athletic Fields
The board briefly discussed the bleacher bids.
2. Consideration of Aspirus Wellness Service Agreement
Motion (Finance Committee) to approve the Wellness Service Agreement as presented. Motion carried.
3. Consideration of Make Up Day
Motion (Fleegel/Temme) to use Monday, April 17, as a make up day for staff and students. Motion carried.
4. 2017-18 Budget Study and Consideration of 2017-18 Budget
 - a. Consideration of Support (non-instructional) Budget
Jeff Albers reviewed the budget booklet and the following budgets: Transportation (Fund 10 and 27), Central Administration, Fiscal, Central Services, and Other Services (including Insurance, Debt Service and Miscellaneous).

Cheryl Wibben arrived at 6:44 p.m.

- b. Update on Section / Class Sizes
The class sizes/sections were reviewed.
 - c. Update on 2017-18 Staffing
The board reviewed 2017-18 staffing, including the transfer of Charlie Heckel from MAMS Assistant Principal / RVA Principal to RVA Principal only. With this transfer, the district will be posting for a full-time MAMS Assistant Principal position.
5. Consideration of Budget Adjustments for 2016-17
Motion (Finance Committee) to approve the 2016-17 budget adjustments as presented. Motion carried.
 6. Consideration of Board Policy Adoption and Deletion
 - a. For Second Reading Adoption: DFEA Free Admissions; DGA Authorized Signatures; IGDF Fund Raising Activities; RVA-IGCA High School Summer School; RVA-IGHA Physical Education Exemptions; and RVA-JHG Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting

Motion (Policy Committee) to approve policies: DFEA Free Admissions; DGA Authorized Signatures; IGDF Fund Raising Activities; RVA-IGCA High School Summer School; RVA-IGHA Physical Education Exemptions; and RVA-JHG Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting. Motion carried.
 - b. For First Reading: DGD Procurement Card Program; DH Bonded Employees and Officers; and EFA School Wellness

Paul Dixon reviewed policies: DGD Procurement Card Program; DH Bonded Employees and Officers; and EFA School Wellness.

- c. Discussion / Consideration / Review: KH - Sponsorships, Partnerships and Gifts/Bequests; Add crowdfunding wording to IGDF, KH or make it a separate policy; Support Staff Handbook – 7.3 Vacation Time; Specific District Staff Handbook – 7.3 Vacation Time; Professional Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition; Support Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition; and Specific District Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition

Paul Dixon reviewed editorial changes to: KH - Sponsorships, Partnerships and Gifts/Bequests; Add crowdfunding wording to IGDF, KH or make it a separate policy; Support Staff Handbook – 7.3 Vacation Time; and Specific District Staff Handbook – 7.3 Vacation Time.

Professional Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition; Support Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition; and Specific District Staff Handbook - 6.10 Retirement Benefits & Recognition were discussed by the board and will be brought back in the future.

7. Update on the Strategic Planning Process

The board reviewed the updated Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan will be discussed in greater detail at the Reorganizational Meeting scheduled for Monday, April 24, 2017.

8. Presentation of Curriculum Connection – The New Elementary Reading Curriculum

Laura Lundy presented this month's Curriculum Connection regarding "The New Elementary Reading Curriculum."

Contemplate Adjourning to Closed Session

Motion (Wibben/Reuter) to adjourn to closed session. Roll call vote: Brunner, Dixon, Fleegel, Knight, Reuter, Strama, Temme and Wibben – Yes. Peterson – Absent. Motion carried 8-0. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 7:40 p.m.

Reconvene Into Open Session

Motion (Reuter/Wibben) to adjourn. Roll call vote: Brunner, Dixon, Fleegel, Knight, Reuter, Strama, Temme and Wibben – Yes. Peterson – Absent. Motion carried 8 - 0. The meeting was reconvened into open session at 8:32 p.m.

Motion (Reuter/Wibben) to transfer Brenda Ann McNary from a teaching position to a support staff position in 2017-18. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion (Reuter/Wibben) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Jennifer Kuenne
Recording Secretary

Cheryl Wibben
Clerk