

Montgomery County R-II Board of Education
Regular Session Meeting
Thursday, February 11, 2021
Montgomery Co High School - Library
OFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present

Mr. Finke
Mr. Pottebaum
Mr. Queathem
Mrs. Stille
Mr. Scheid
Mrs. Hartman
Mr. Woods

Members Absent

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Stille called the February Regular Late Session of the Montgomery County R-II Board of Education to order at 7:40 p.m.

II. Roll Call

All board members were present.

III. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Finke made the motion to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Woods. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0**

IV. Mr. Finke made the motion to approve Consent Agenda items as follows:

Minutes

Treasurer's report

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Transfer of Funds
Payment of Bills
Substitutes

Mr. Pottebaum seconded the motion. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0**

V. Recognition

The Board was recognized for a job well done as part of Board of Education Week.

MCHS Reading Program – Nick Larson commented on how well the program was working. There were approximately twenty-eight kids that have been able to move out of the program.

VI. Regular Agenda

1. Patron Comments – None

2. Student Representative Report – FFA – the AG business class sold and made chocolate covered strawberries. FCCLA – the first of five restaurants is now operational. STUCO has started their fundraising for the Polar Plunge on March 7, 2021. They are beginning to make plans for the Winter Formal

The Math Club is getting ready for their competition on March 3, 2021. The competition includes engineering, aptitude, mathematics and science

Both girls and boys basketball teams are undefeated so far. The annual Pink Out game was February 8, 2021. They raised approximately \$3,000.00.

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3. Achievement Report

Mrs. Schluss stated that they would be having pre-school screenings. There are only two students that need to make up for missing EOC.

4. Old Business

- a) Facility Information – Need to talk to Rob, the seven year period is almost up. Need to find out who assumes liability. They are holding 200%. Need to schedule an additional meeting to discuss further.

The flooring company has now been in. We are planning on replacing the old high school floors in the halls and the middle school tiles in the halls.

- b) MCE/JBE – Four companies turned in bids to replace the interior doors, which includes all hardware. Demarco's bid was for thirty-eight doors for \$39,948. Mr. Finke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Queathem to accept this bid. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**
- c) CTS Contract – This will be tied into the CARES money. We are looking at technical upgrades for the students, professional development, text books for the SPED department and replacing the ceiling tiles and flooring in eight of the rooms at MCE. We received the HVAC bid for ten roof top units. Need to check further into the fire codes.
- d) Sharp Loan - There was a notice placed in the Montgomery newspaper asking people who have defaulted on their loans to contact us or their names will be posted in the newspaper.

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Discussed if the students need to start repaying their loan after they received their bachelor's degree or if they should wait until they completed their masters. It was agreed that as long as they were in school full time, they did not have to pay their loans yet. Mr. Finke made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Woods. The motion was accepted. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**

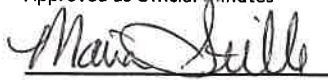
5. Program Summary

- a) Counseling Department – They have been working on updated job descriptions. They sent out a survey through google. They were not pleased with the outcome. They are having trouble finding support for students with some mental issues, mostly due to COVID. They are finding that having had so much time off, that students are not wanting to take responsibility. They seem to have less coping skills.
- b) PAT – They have been looking for ways to stay in contact with the families, including doing driveway visits. They have lost connections with some families due to COVID, the families do not want them in their homes.

6. New Business

- a) Jonesburg Summer Library Presentation – They are planning on having extended hours during the summer. They would like to have a traveling library and book swaps. Mr. Woods made a motion, seconded by Mr. Queathem to accept. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**
- b) Mr. Finke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Queathem to accept the 2021-2022 district calendar.

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- c) ELA/AG Embedded Credit Proposal – Suggested that we combine math, science and language art as a three in one embedded credit. Mr. Finke made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Queathem. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**
- d) MCHD MOU – Use of our facilities to offer COVID shots to the public. Mr. Finke made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Queathem. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**
- e) SURPLUS PROPERTY – Mr. Woods made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Queathem. The motion passed. **VOTE WAS 7-0.**

7. Reports

- a) Superintendent/Financial – Dr. Bottoms should have a preliminary budget ready in March 2021. Health insurance is increasing 5.3%.

Jonesburg, MCE and the SPED department are growing increasingly worried about the increases in class sizes. Jonesburg will have thirty-eight fifth graders next year and they only have one teacher. MCE stated that the kids were starting to fall behind. SPED has four students graduating this year and an additional sixteen kids coming into high school next year. The number of students are increasing as well as the needs of those students.

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b) MSBA – Mr. Finke reported that there is a meeting planned for April 21, 2021 in Mexico. There is a leadership conference in Springfield June 18 – June 19, 2021. The annual conference is in Kansas City November 4 – November 7, 2021. There is a legislative forum on April 12, 2021 in Jefferson City.

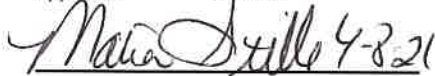
VIII. Announcements/Correspondence

The next Regular Session Board meeting will be Thursday, March 11, 2021 at the Montgomery County Middle School Conference Room.

IX. **Request for Executive Session (if needed) for the purpose of discussing issues associated with personnel as outlined by law (ref. 610.021.3) and all records of proceedings from said executive session be retained in accordance with the law (ref. 610.023).**

X. Adjournment – Mr. Queathem made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Pottebaum. The motion passed, the time was 9:25 p.m. **VOTE WAS 7-0**

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