

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
MITCHELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17-2  
January 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Deb Olson at 5:00 PM at the Mitchell High School Library 920 N. Capital Street, Mitchell, South Dakota, Davison County.

Roll call of members present: Deb Olson, Kevin Kenkel, Neil Putnam, Matthew Christiansen, and Lacey Musick. Absent: None Others Present: Dr. Joseph Graves, Superintendent, Jared Hofer MTI Business Manager.

**Action #3351096**

Motion made by Musick, seconded by Putnam to amend the agenda to remove item IV from the agenda. Motion carried. Motion made by Kenkel, seconded by Christiansen to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

**Action #3351097**

Motion by Putnam, seconded by Musick to approve the consent agenda with removal of Action Item #3351096 from the December 12, 2016 minutes. These minutes had been furnished to the Daily Republic in unapproved form all in accordance as per SDCL 13-8-35. Also on the consent agenda were claims and personnel items. On the claims, board member Christiansen abstained on the payment to Avera Queen of Peace Hospital.

**New Hires (Classified):** Linnea Cooper, Paraeducator/MHS, \$12.00/hr., 7 hrs./day, effective Dec 22, 2016. Katie Buschbach, Paraeducator/MHS, \$14.00/hr., 7 hrs./day, effective Dec 14, 2016.

**MTI New Hires:** Greg VonWald, SDLA Adjunct Instructor, \$50/hr. X 120 hrs. = \$6,000, effective Spring 2017 Semester. Joseph Thornell, SDLA Adjunct Instructor, \$50/hr. X 120 hrs. = \$6,000, effective Spring 2017 Semester. Jason Jennings, Power Sports Adjunct Instructor, \$50/hr. x 96hrs. = \$4,800.00, effective Spring 2017 Semester. Motion Carried.

**Action #3351098**

Motion made by Putnam, seconded by Kenkel to approve the K-14 Audit Report for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year following the presentation by Jay Tolsma of ELO.

**Action #3351099**

Motion by Kenkel, seconded by Musick to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Associated School Boards of South Dakota Protective Trust, South Dakota School District Benefits Fund, to Continue Participation in the Health Insurance Program and Provide for the Retirement of Fund Deficit. Motion Carried.

**Action #3351100**

Motion by Christiansen, seconded by Putnam to approve the Revision to MTI Board Policies 747, 1035, and 1037 on Second Reading. Motion Carried

At this time, the School Board Members reported on the meetings they had attended since the last school board meeting.

During Dr. Graves' report, he announced Mitchell student Jordan Beukelman in attendance as part of a project towards earning a merit badge in scouting. He presented a copy of the

updated 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Mitchell School District Goals to board members and indicated any changes from prior version were bold and italicized.

At this time, board members toured Mitchell High School to view some recent updates with High School Principal Joe Childs.

**Action #3351101**

**Motion by Musick, seconded by Kenkel to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, character or fitness of any public officer in order to conduct the annual evaluation of the superintendent of schools at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried.**

**President Olson declared the Board back in open session at 7:20 p.m.**

**Action #3351102**

**Motion by Putnam, seconded by Kenkel to extend the contract of Superintendent Joseph Graves by one additional year. Motion carried.**

**There being no further business, President Olson adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.**