

September 17,
2018

Quick Board Summary

The Board of Education met in regular session at
7:00 pm in the Board Conference Room at
Middletown Prairie Elementary

Board of Education

President
Max McComb

Vice President
Jenny Park

Secretary
Lance Raver

Member
Merle Giles

Member
Dr. Jeremy Henrichs

Member
Nezar Kassem

Member
Lori Larson

Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Lindsey Hall

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Overview

The Budget Hearing was called to order by President McComb at 6:30 p.m. The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President McComb at 7:01 p.m. Max McComb, Merle Giles, Dr. Jeremy Henrichs, Jenny Park, Lance Raver and Nezar Kassem were in attendance. Lori Larson was absent.

Consent Agenda Items: All minutes, personnel changes, bills, activity funds, High School graduation date and record management items were approved as presented.

Dr. Rummel introduced a new hire for the District.

Reports, Updates, Public Participation & Informational Items:

PTO: Ken Keefe shared that the PTO Dawg Walk Fundraiser raised over \$102,000. The PTO is thankful and grateful to the community for their continued support. The Dawg Walk will be held September 27th and 28th.

Foundation: Dr Hall shared that the 2nd annual Hall of Fame Induction will be held during the homecoming football game on September 28th.

Reports, Updates & Informational Items:

Board Communication:

- Mr. Kassem is proud of our students. He witnessed a student give the last hotdog to the elderly women behind him in line, and one of our cheerleaders helped a little girl find her mom. "I know the parents are doing a great job raising their children."
- Mr. Raver is glad that the bus drop off and pick up is running smoothly, and that Middletown Prairie is using washable trays and silverware, and has stopped using straws. Mr. Raver also thanked the swim team coaches and team. The meet was a very encouraging environment.
- Dr. Henrichs said he is proud of the boys' soccer team and how they present themselves. Opposing coaches have also expressed how well mannered the team is.
- Mrs. Park said the Special Friends Day at Lincoln Trail was fantastic despite the rain.
- President McComb expressed his thanks to the transportation department. It is a major undertaking every year to get the school year started. This year was huge with the changes at Middletown Prairie.

Financial Report: Chief School Business Official, Trent Nuxoll, shared that the financial report was included in the board packet.

Superintendent Report:

- Thank you to the Athletic and Music Boosters as well as all volunteers for a very successful Dawgpalooza 2018 on August 31!
- Also on August 31, we honored Jason Seaman prior to kickoff of our football game—being able to work with the Village of Mahomet in this endeavor made this a very special night in thanking Jason and welcoming him home.
- "Special Friends Day" at Lincoln Trail was a huge success—literally hundreds of special people graced us with their attendance at this event—even on the rainiest of days!
- The new video board is up at running in the HS gym. This is an amazing piece of technology—that does not go without a learning curve. Thanks to Matt Hensley for his time in becoming very proficient in operating the board.

Discussion/Action Items:

1. **Natural Gas Rate Proposal:** Chris Landstrom with Twin City Energy Services is recommending that the district go with the Constellation 100% swing program at .30270 per therm for 48 months. The district will also get a \$1,000 credit as a new customer. The Board approved this item.
2. **Electricity Rate Proposal:** Chris Landstrom with Twin City Energy is recommending a 23-month electric contract with Homefield Energy on an all-in commodity rate of .04579 per kWh. The motion was approved.
3. **2017-2018 Annual District Audit:** Hope Wheeler with CliftonLarsonAllen shared a summary of the audit. The audit was performed using a risk-based approach. Time was spent understanding and testing each audit area. The full audit packet is included in the meeting packet. The district audit was approved.
4. **2018-2019 Budget Adoption:** CSBO, Trent Nuxoll, asked if there were any questions following the Budget Hearing that was held at 6:30 p.m. There were no questions, and the Board approved the Budget.
5. **Administrative Salary Compensation Report:** CSBO Nuxoll shared that this is an annual item and the report will be posted on the district website.
6. **Extra-Curricular Activities Review:** Doug Fisher, Jr. High Assistant Principal and Matt Hensley, High School Assistant Principal, reviewed the highlights from last year's activities.

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7. **District Technology Update:** Director of Technology, Jared Lynn, shared information on all of the technology updates that took place over the summer and during the beginning of the school year. This includes adding Nakia Benson to the technology team, cleaning up network closets, upgrading wireless at the Jr. High and High School, Chromebook roll out and much more.
8. **Approval of MAYC Service Agreement:** The current agreement was 5 years old, and there have been some changes in the partnership. Dr. Hall shared that the district appreciates the opportunity to partner with MAYC to serve our students. The Board approved this agreement.
9. Closed session was held for *1.) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity. 2.) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.*

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.