

**MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

*June 22, 2022*

The Meridian Community Unit School District No. 15 Board of Education held a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2022, in the District Board Room in Macon. President Hogan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following Members were in attendance: Monte Hogan, Chris Jones, Rebecca Kraft, Adam Herbert, Matt Roush and Kara Morey. Member Gorden was absent. Also in attendance were: Andy Pygott, Superintendent; Eric Hurelbrink, High School Principal; Kaleb Renfro, High School Athletic Director; Mindy McGuire, Middle School Principal; Lori Guebert, Elementary Principal; and Regina Ward, Recording Secretary.

A public hearing was held to amend the 2021-2022 Meridian CUSD #15 budget. Mr. Pygott had a short presentation on the amended budget. The amendment is due to the increased revenue and expenditures in the transportation fund.

Meridian High School Board Scholars were recognized for the Spring 2022 semester. They are as follows:

9<sup>th</sup> grade: Brooks Brown, Emma Childers, Abigail Clark, Colton Denny, Sean Hill, Reagan Jesse, Madilyn Kapchinske, Haley Leffler, Layla Lucas, Alexa Marion, Kyle Miller, Lucas Miller, Alexa Oliver, Emma Parks, Isabel Pistorius, Paul Ralston, Karolyn Spain, Sara Street, Anna Ward, Ella Woolington, Greenley Ziemer

10<sup>th</sup> grade: Jacob Clapp, Kynzie Damery, Anabelle Nailer, Emma Pistorius, Maggie Pritts, Tara Reynolds, Gabriel Rojas Cooper, Gwen Scott

11<sup>th</sup> grade: Carlie Delbridge, Katelyn Martin, Avril Morrell, Zoe Pramuk, Emily Renfro, Lola Shearer Davidson

12<sup>th</sup> grade: Lucas Clapp, Caleb Eickhoff, Eloise Fitzpatrick, Alexi Jones, Delaney Jones, Keagan Kantor, Kayden Mashburn, Tucker Parks, Cole Rappe, Mackenzie Reed, Madison Sapp, Elizabeth Snow, Lucille Snow, Maria Steiling

Administrators gave their reports:

The Elementary School had 18 summer school students. The Middle School had 17 summer school students. The High School had 27 summer school students. Freshman orientation is August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendents report:

There will be a 3 on 3 basketball tournament during the Fall Festival at the Elementary playground hosted by the HS boys' basketball team. There was a request from Central A&M to possibly co-op for a cross country team. All gym floors will be refinished the week of July 11<sup>th</sup>. Bids will be coming in for the Ag Building by July 12<sup>th</sup>.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Morey, the consent agenda was approved which consists of the minutes from the regular meeting of May 16, 2022, and the

special meeting minutes of April 20, April 27, and June 6, 2022. Also approved was the financial and treasurer reports for May and the disbursements for June, 2022 which are as follows:

Education	\$187,998.91	Building	\$44,243.22
Debt	\$4,216.10	Trans.	\$29,694.95
IMRF	\$9,484.87	Tort	\$167.51
TOTAL \$275,805.56 (does not include payroll)			

and resignation of Tricia Campbell, High School business education and High School girls track. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

The budget analysis was presented and the Board had the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Board policies that were presented at the last regular board meeting.

There was a District Threat Assessment Committee meeting on May 25, 2022. They reviewed the current forms they use for documenting and reporting those that pose a threat to self or others. They also discussed the District Safety/Crisis Management Plan.

In new business, a motion was made by Member Jones, seconded by Member Morey, to approve the amended 2021-2022 school district budget. Motion carried on 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Herbert, seconded by Member Roush, the Board approved the transferring of \$31,030 from the Hi-Tech Trust Fund to the Education Fund. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Roush motioned, seconded by Member Kraft, to approve the contractual agreements with the ROE #30 to provide Regional Safe School Services and other alternative school settings. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Morey, seconded by Member Kraft, motioned to approve the 2022-2023 school fees as amended. The technology fee and registration fees will be waived for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Morey, the Board approved the Restraint, Timeout and Isolated Timeout Reduction Plan as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Kraft, seconded by Member Roush, motioned to adopt the Board Policy updates as presented and policy 7:270 with previous district revision. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Jones, the Board approved the revisions for the Elementary, Middle School and High School student handbooks for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Jones motioned, seconded by Member Morey, to approved the agreement with Refreshment Services Pepsi as presented. The motion failed on a roll call vote of 6 nays.

Member Jones, seconded by Member Herbert, motioned to accept the proposal provided by CI Digital for district copy machines as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

The Board adjourned to executive session at 8:10 p.m. on a motion by Member Herbert, seconded by Member Jones. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

The Board returned to open session at 9:11 p.m. on a motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Morey. Motion carried 6-0.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Jones, the Board approved Kyle Sparks as a High School PE teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Roush, seconded by Member Morey, motioned to approve Marissa King as an Elementary School special education teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Morey motioned, seconded by Member Kraft, to approve Kyle Spark as the High School head football coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Roush, the Board approved Traci Friel as the High School girls' head basketball coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Herbert, seconded by Member Roush, motioned to approved Brian Britton as the Middle School assistant boys' basketball coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Roush, seconded by Member Morey, approved Jordan Tolley as the High School boys' soccer assistant coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion approved on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

The Board approved Harry Book as a District bus driver on a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Jones. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

Member Jones made a motion, seconded by Member Morey, to approve Susannah Moyer, Salli Pritts, April Hadowsky, Tyler Clark, Morgan Wendt and Kelsey Pygott as Camp Invention staff members for the week of June 27, 2022. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Morey, the Board approved the following as volunteer coaches for the 2022-2023 school year:  
Kyle Woolington, Chris Jones, Matt Tangney and Aaron Stock for Middle School baseball; Maggie Comerford for Middle School Softball; Autumn Boliard for High School volleyball; Aaron Wolfer for High School Boys' soccer; and Lauren Nesbitt for IHSA girls' section swim meet. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes with Member Jones abstaining.

On a motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Roush, the Board rehired the following coaches for the 2022-2023 school year:  
Brian Pekovitch as Middle School boys' track; Stacy Smith as Middle School girls' track; Greg Streeval as High School softball; and Ponce Palmer as High School baseball coaches. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

On a motion by Member Roush, seconded by Member Jones, the Board meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes.

The next regularly schedule Board of Education meeting will be July 18, 2022.

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Monte Hogan, Board President

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Rebecca Kraft, Board Secretary