

RECORD OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MORRISON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #6  
September 26, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Morrison Community Unit School District #6, County of Whiteside, State of Illinois, was duly called and held at 6:00 P.M. in the Media Center located within Morrison Junior High School in said district on September 26, 2018.

On roll call, the following were present: Jim Ridley, Wolfgang Schmidt, Brandon Shelton and Cathleen Vegter. Gus Linke arrived at 6:04pm. Also present were Superintendent Scott Vance, Recording Secretary- LuAnn Wieneke, Curriculum Director – Cheryl Robinson, Duane Shaffer -- Director of Technology, Andy Harridge (NS Principal) Cory Bielema (SS Principal), Joe Robbins (JH Principal), Kay Harwood (HS Principal), Brian Melton (Chief of Police), Julie and Thomas Schumacher, Emily Melrose and Bill Popkin.

6:01 P.M.

**Closed Session**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Ridley; To enter into closed session for matters relating to the employment, appointment, and compensation of a specific employee.

Ayes: Four; Nays: None. Motion carried

6:39 P.M.

**Adjourn Closed Session**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Linke; to adjourn closed session and reconvene in open session in the Media Center of the Junior High School.

Ayes: Five; Nays: None. Motion carried

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON 2018-2019 Budget**

Hearing was declared open at 6:40pm. Mr. Vance stated he had made a small change to the Budget since the actual dollar amount the District will be receiving from the State is not known, they have changed to “evidence based funding” this year. There were no comments from the Public. The hearing was closed at 6:45pm

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

President Cathleen Vegter asked for changes to the agenda. Changes made included adding the Library Roof project under New Business, Item XI a.

The motion is to approve the agenda with the above change.

Motion: Ridley; Second: Linke

Ayes: Five; Nays: None. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion: Linke; Second: Ridley; To approve the consent Agenda including District bills for payment as of September 26, 2018 and Activity Accounts as of August 31, 2018

On roll call voting Aye – Schmidt, Ridley, Shelton, Linke and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried.

Motion: Shelton; Second: Ridley; To approve the hiring of the following individuals for the positions listed below:

1. Chelsea Brewer – Fresh/Soph Softball Coach Morrison High School
2. Brett Chappell – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach at Morrison Jr High School
3. Laura Gatz – Cafeteria Server, Morrison Jr High School
4. Danielle Peters – Cafeteria Server, Morrison High School

And the resignation of :

1. Gilbert Lawrenz – Bus Aide
2. Rhonda Keenan – Cafeteria Server, Morrison High School

On roll call voting Aye – Ridley, Shelton, Linke, Schmidt and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

President Cathleen Vegter called for any changes or corrections to the minutes of the last regular Board meeting held August 27, 2018.

Motion: Linke; Second: Schmidt; To approve the minutes of the last regular Board meeting held August 27, 2018.

Ayes: Five; Nays: None; Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Public Forum**

Emily Melrose presented the Board with information to request a Pupil Transportation Petition to allow her 11 year old student to be transported to school via bus even though they reside within 1 ½ miles of the school. She feels that Route 30 and the railroad crossing in town pose a hazard to the student. The Board will forward the information to the State IDOT and State Superintendent of Education for a ruling as to whether they agree that the highway and railroad crossing are a hazard.

**Good News from Around the District**

Northside Principal, Andy Harridge reported that a parent volunteered to apply for the Morrison Area Community Foundation grant and currently has 55 items on the list to purchase for Northside.

Southside Principal, Cory Bielema reported that the Southside students have been having a lot of fun participating in the HS Student Council Homecoming week dress up days.

Junior High Principal, Joe Robbins reported that they have completed the STAR Assessments for ELA and Math. Teachers have begun creating SLO's for their student growth and will be meeting with administration soon.

High School Principal, Kay Harwood reported that the team locker room now has plumbing and showers and will be usable for this Friday's football game.

**Reports**

Fiscal—

Mr. Vance presented the Treasurer's report with numbers through the end of August 2018.

Enrollment—

Mr. Vance stated that the enrollment numbers were up two (2) from the beginning of school, but down 6 from the start of school last year.

Technology Report—

The Technology Department reported that the final 20 Promethean Panels have been ordered and will be installed in the next few weeks. They have also started installing the cameras at the High School since the construction in those areas is now complete

Facility Report—

The updated target date for completion of the projects at the HS as of the meeting last week is October 19. Lockers are to arrive by October 1<sup>st</sup> and the windows have been ordered but take 6-8 weeks to arrive. The Steamer for the kitchen has arrived and will be installed.

Curriculum—

Nothing to report

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District Improvement—

Windows at the High School will be going out for bids later this fall. It was also discussed that the lights at the Southside would possibly be replaced with LED lights like they have at the Jr. High School, painting classrooms at the schools was on the list. Sales tax dollars would be used to do those type of projects. Other items that were discussed as possible improvements could possibly be funded by alternative revenue bonds, but all the tax revenue would not be spent.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**School Resource Officer Update**

Brian Melton, Chief of Police was in attendance at the meeting to answer any questions the Board may have regarding the School Resource Officer position. Depending on the candidate hired the SRO could be in the school at the earliest for spring semester, otherwise they would be in place by the 2019-20 school year.

**Library Roof replaced**

Mr. Vance informed the Board that the Library Roof was looked at and it is not repairable and will need to be replaced.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**District Activity Bus**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the purchase of a 2018 Chevy/StarCraft 14 passenger Activity bus for the cost of \$55,994.

On roll call voting Aye – Ridley, Shelton, Linke, Schmidt and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Athletics**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Shelton

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the addition of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls basketball as Morrison Community School District #6 sponsored extracurricular activities beginning with the 2018-2019 school year and girls volleyball beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

On roll call voting Aye – Shelton, Linke, Schmidt, Ridley and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

**District Title I Plan**

Motion: Linke; Second: Ridley

The motion is that the Board of Education approves District Title I Plan as presented

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**2018-2019 District Budget**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Schmidt

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the 2018-2019 budget as presented.

On roll call voting Aye – Schmidt, Ridley, Shelton, Linke and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

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**Substitute Nurse Rate**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the substitute nurse rate increase from \$10/hr. to \$11/hr. for CNA certification, \$14/hr. for Medical Assistant Certification, \$15/hr. for a Licensed Practical Nurse certification, \$19/hr. for Registered Nurse Certification and \$20/hr. for a Bachelor of Nursing certification.

On roll call voting Aye – Schmidt, Ridley, Shelton, Linke and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

**Release of Band Uniforms**

Motion: Linke; Second: Ridley

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the release of used band uniforms for the purpose of resale.

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Release of used books**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Schmidt

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the release 443 used books and 28 dictionaries from the Morrison High School library as presented.

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the release of 697 used books from the Morrison Jr High School library as presented

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Creation of High School Activity Account**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Schmidt

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the creation of a Multimedia Design activity account.

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Glucagon Administration Policy**

Motion: Linke; Second: Shelton

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the adoption of the Glucagon Administration Policy as presented.

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Release of E-Waste Materials**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the release of the electronic waste material as presented.

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Transfer of Funds**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the transfer of \$57,000 from the Working Cash fund to the Education Fund.

On roll call voting Aye – Schmidt, Ridley, Shelton, Linke and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

**Memo of Understanding with Morrison Education Association**

Motion: Linke; Second: Ridley

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the memo of understanding with the Morrison Education Association in regards to the addition for 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade coaching positions for the 2018-2019 school year.

Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

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**FMLA Request**

Motion: Shelton; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves ten (10) days of FMLA leave for employee #2313572.  
Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Early Graduation Request**

Motion: Linke; Second: Shelton

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the early graduation request of student #911564505  
Ayes-- Five; Nays-- None. Motion carried

**Certified Staff**

Motion: Ridley; Second: Linke

The motion is that the Board of Education approves the hiring of Jamie Rodriguez as a certified Social Studies teacher at Morrison Junior High School at the BA Year 1 Step.

On roll call voting Aye – Schmidt, Ridley, Shelton, Linke and Vegter. Nay – None; Motion carried

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN MEETING**

7:42 P.M.

Motion: Ridley; Second: Linke; To adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Five; Nays: None. Motion carried.

(President) \_\_\_\_\_

(Secretary) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved .