

Minutes
MSAD #8 School Board Monthly Meeting
January 24, 2018
Middle School Science Room
6:30 PM

Board Members Present: Rachel Noyes, Virginia Wadleigh, Laura Lazaro, Kathi Young

Absent: Renee Jones

Administration Present: Superintendent Roy Crawford, Principal Ann Kirkpatrick

1. **Call to order at 6:30** by R. Noyes and Pledge to the Flag
2. **Action on the minutes of the December 13, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion V. Wadleigh/second L. Lazaro to approve. (3-0-1)**
3. **Communications:** None
4. **Approval of the agenda: Motion K. Young/second L. Lazaro to approve (4-0)**
5. **Questions and comments from the public:** No comments
6. **Principal's Report by A. Kirkpatrick**
 - HS students had a great trip to Belfast to engage in the sport of curling. This was done on the day prior to the Holiday break when basketball teams were on the road.
 - On the Friday January 26, 2018 early release, teachers will be continuing work on their proficiency-based curriculum.
 - WinterKids has been a great experience for students and families.
 - ✓ Week #1: 60 minutes/day of physical fitness. 80% of students met the goal.
 - ✓ Week #2: Nutrition. 91% of students participated.
 - ✓ Week #3: Family engagement: results to be determined.
 - ✓ Week #4: Winter Carnival in progress.
 - Senior transcripts, GPA, and class ranks are currently being calculated considering the class of 2018 will have both traditional and the new proficiency courses. Only VS course credits will be used in the calculation so students are being treated equitably. College courses will be included on the school transcript and students will have a transcript provided by the college
7. **New Business**
 - a. Alice Bissell and Hillary Savage presented information about the P.I.E. "Perspectives" after school program for children in grades K/1 and grades 2-5. The program has monthly themes including: kelp, composting, nutrition and bread (dough, yeast, etc.). The activities attempt to broaden children's perspectives and to make connections between activities. The numbers of participants has grown to 28

students, which has become a challenge. Program leaders will be looking to student and community volunteers to assist with this growing student opportunity

- b. **Draft Revised Policy: EFD Pricing and Payment for Food Services:** Roy presented changes made to the draft discussed at the previous meeting. To protect students from possible stigma, the Board decided to allow students with no funds on account to access the food choice of the day and parents will be invoiced. Currently there are few accounts in arrears.

Motion R. Noyes/second V. Wadleigh to approved this draft as a final reading. (4-0) Roy will post on the website immediately.

- c. **Draft Policy: GBEBB Staff Conduct with Students:** Roy presented changes made to the draft discussed at the previous meeting. **Motion L. Lazaro/second R. Noyes to approve as a final reading and to expand the reference to Facebook to any social media. (4-0)** Roy will post on the website immediately.

- d. **Review of the following policies:** JICK: Bullying and JICK-R: Bullying Administrative Procedures. After reading the policies, Rachel concluded that they are consistent with the model policies she accessed at the fall MSBA Conference and that there is no need for further action by the Board

- e. **Discussion of a Crisis Intervention policy:** With the help of Robb Warren and Kathy Warren, Roy was able to locate the Crisis Intervention document created and approved in 2012. He will convene a group to teachers to review, update and implement it as intended.

8. **Superintendent's Report:**

- Distributed the 2017 Audit Report and noted that it is a “clean” audit. The Board agreed to have a conference telephone call with the auditor to review it in detail. Kathy Warren and Renee Jones will arrange that conference call. If at least three board members participate in the conference call, it will be publically posted as a work session.
- Roy distributed a summary of school budget expenditures for the current fiscal year. With 40.82% of the budget year remaining, all budget categories have 40% or more of the approved funds remaining. Debt service has just 8.58% remaining because the major debt service payment was made in November 2017.
- Roy also distributed detailed backup for each budget line and encouraged Board members to contact either him or Kathy if they have questions or need clarifications.
- Roy distributed a timeline for development and approval of the 2019 budget. The timeline includes a kick off at the Board meeting on February 28 and three work sessions with the target date of April 25 for final Board approval. The state wide voting day is June 12.

9. **Personnel matters – nominations & resignations:** Roy advised the Board that Bryan Feezor has been hired as the Community Education and Activities Coordinator for the remainder of this school year at the budgeted salary of \$3,000. He and Roy will immediately begin the process of developing a viable community program.

10. **Set date for November regular meeting:** Next meeting February 28, 2018.

11. **Executive session:** None

12. **Adjournment:** declared by R. Noyes at 8:10.