MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF MERCER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #404,
MERCER, HENDERSON, & ROCK ISLAND COUNTIES, ILLINOIS.

The Board of Education of Mercer County School District #404, Mercer, Henderson, & Rock Island Counties, Illinois, convened at a regular meeting at the Mercer County Intermediate School Music Room, on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Prior to Roll Call, Jake Frieden opened with a brief prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance led by President Julie Wagner.

ATTENDANCE
Board members present upon roll call: Dillavou, Frieden, Smock, Wagner, and Yates. A quorum was present. Chiles arrived at 8:07 PM.
Absent: Balmer
Administrators present: Superintendent Scott Petrie, Principals Day, Sedam, Jefferson, Bush and Fleuette
Also in Attendance: Andrew Hofer, Chris Lewis, Tiffany Lewis, John Atkinson, Thomas Nipper, Heidi Brown, Jean Schroeder, Pat Gibson, Melissa Gusiorowski, and Secretary Stefanie Carey.
Reporters: Cathy Decker, Jim Taylor

RECORD OF MOTIONS & VOTES

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CONSENT AGENDA

1. There was a motion by Yates, seconded by Frieden, to approve the following items on the consent agenda.
   1.1 Meeting Minutes
      a. Regular Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2018
      b. Transportation Committee Meeting – April 9, 2018
      c. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2018
   1.2 Bill List
   1.3 Treasurer’s Report
1.4 Financial Report
1.5 BCBS Health Insurance Account Statement
1.6 Resignation of MCIS Special Education Teacher Drue Sponheim
1.7 Resignation of High School Play Director Liz Blackwell
1.8 Retirement of Junior High / NBE Cook Sara Long
1.9 Resignation of High School Custodian Jessica Hank

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

PERSONAL CODE OF CONDUCT
2. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to adopt the Personal Code of Conduct for School Board Members.
Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

IESA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
3. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to approve the IESA Membership renewal for $75, as presented.
Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

SECURE ENTRANCES
4. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to accept the quote from FSS Incorporated for secure entrances at 4 buildings for $19,790.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

AUDITORIUM BIDS
5. There was a motion by Smock seconded by Dillavou, to accept the bid from Hodge Construction for the Auditorium Construction Project for $618,000.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION
6. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, at 8:05PM to go into Closed Session after a short recess for Security and Personnel discussion.
6.1 Security
Emergency security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8).

6.2 Personnel
The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Barb Chiles arrived at 8:07 PM.
Closed Session started at 8:18 PM.
Tyson Dillavou left at 9:30 PM for a family emergency.

OPEN SESSION
7. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to come out of Closed Session at 10:28 PM.
Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.
WINTER COACH REHIRES

8. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to approve the Winter Coach Re-Hires as presented.
   Head Boys Basketball: Mike Jones
   Assistant Boys Basketball: Nick Blaser
   Head Girls Basketball: Kate Engwall
   Assistant Girls Basketball: Ty Goben
   Head Wrestling Coach: Steve Speaker
   Assistant Wrestling Coach: Monte Smith
   Assistant Wrestling Coach: Dallas Morford
   Head Dance Coach: Sharon Simpson

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HS ENGLISH TEACHER

9. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Amanda Heinrichs as Junior High English / Language Arts Teacher.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PRE-K TEACHER

10. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates to hire Chloe Cordell as Apollo Pre-K Teacher.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PARAPROFESSIONAL

11. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Melody Jones as an Apollo Paraprofessional.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PARAPROFESSIONAL

12. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to hire Jill McCrory as an Apollo Paraprofessional.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PARAPROFESSIONAL

13. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to hire Andrea Long as an Apollo Paraprofessional.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PARAPROFESSIONAL

14. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Hiedi Mills as an Apollo Paraprofessional.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO PARAPROFESSIONAL

15. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to hire Rita Hofer as Apollo Paraprofessional.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO ONE ON ONE PARAPROFESSIONAL

16. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to hire Morgan Cunningham as a One on One Paraprofessional at Apollo.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

APOLLO ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

17. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Erin Headley as Apollo Administrative Assistant.

Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
DISTRICT READING COACH 18. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Katie Dengler as District Reading Coach. Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

DISTRICT MATH COACH 19. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Yates, to hire Ryan Koresko as District Math Coach. Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR 20. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to hire Taylor Anderson as District Special Education Administrator. Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT 21. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to approve the renewal of Superintendent Scott Petrie’s contract for 2018-2022 with an annual salary of $150,000. Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

ADJOURN 22. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Frieden, to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 PM. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

OTHER REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS 1. None

PUBLIC COMMENT 2. Heidi Brown addressed the board relaying a story of sexual assault to her daughter on the school bus. She stated that she has lots of questions regarding board policy and the way the situation was handled.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE 3. John Atkinson from the Aledo Masonic Lodge described a student assistance program from Newman/ Stecher International that they offer that would help identify troubled students and try to prevent suicide, bullying and dropping out. This program is fully funded. They offer assemblies, training, and more. He left an informational packet.

TRAUMA TRAINING 4. Chris Lewis, from Illinois Gun Owners Rights, spoke to the board about the First Aide packets that his group offers. He displayed the contents of the packets and explained how useful the items can be in a trauma situation. Packets are not fully funded, costing around 30 – 40 dollars. They also offer different training classes including CPR, bleeding control, and overdose.

CORRESPONDENCE 5. None

BOARD COMMENTS 6. None
COMMITTEE REPORTS 7. Mr. Petrie went over the Finance Committee Meeting minutes, stating that we have received to CRPPT payments that should meet budget amounts. We have had delayed categorical payments. Mr. Petrie also gave an update from the BHASED governing board meeting where personnel issues were discussed.

DOOR QUOTES 8. Mr. Petrie had quotes from FSS Incorporated for 3 buildings’ secure access for doors. He explained that the high school would be taken care of separately in the health life safety project. The cost would be approximately $3,500/door. The job would include one door at each building except New Boston, which would have 2. These doors would consist of a card system used with a camera and buzzer system similar to that at the Junior High.

GENERAL CONTRACTOR BIDS 9. A bid from the Auditorium project took place on April 13th. The lowest bidder was Hodge Construction from Moline. There were several bidders. The bid tab sheet was available in the board packet.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS 10. Several informational topics were discussed including one to one technology in the classrooms, results from the Community Forum data collection, setting up a Board Self Evaluation meeting, the Fall Division meeting being hosted here, and Evidence Based Funding.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS 11. In addition to their written reports, the following was mentioned: Mr. Bush reported that Mr. Whan was planning an “Informance” that would be like a Spring Concert. Mr. Fleuette promoted his “Egg Drop” at Apollo tomorrow. Mrs. Day recognized the Administrative staff and their wonderful support during the recent tragedy of losing a student to suicide. She commended the entire staff for how they rallied together in this emotional time.

Mr. Sedam noted that they were busy planning Earth Day activities. Mr. Jefferson had nothing to add.

Submitted By: _______________________________________
Recording Secretary

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President, Bd. of Education

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Secretary, Bd. of Education

Approved: ___________________________