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 District Office, on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

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

ATTENDANCE
Board members present upon roll call: Balmer, Bowns, Dillavou, Wagner, and Yates. A quorum was present.
Frieden arrived at 7:25 PM.
Absent: Smock
Also in Attendance: Pastor Dietmeier, Athletic Director Andrew Hofer, Ryan Koresko, and Secretary Angie Baker.
Reporters: Cathy Decker

RECORD OF MOTIONS & VOTES

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CONSENT AGENDA

1. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Dillavou, to approve the following items on the consent agenda.
   1.1 Meeting Minutes
      a. Regular Meeting Minutes – April 17, 2019
      b. Special Meeting Minutes – Reorganizational April 17, 2019
      c. Special Meeting Minutes – Board Interviews May 13, 2019
   1.2 Bill List
   1.3 Treasurer’s Report
   1.4 Financial Report
   1.5 BCBS Health Insurance Account Statement
   1.6 Resignation of Junior High Custodian Peggy Dixon – April 30, 2019
   1.7 Resignation of Junior High Science Teacher Nicole Whitehair, end of 2018-2019 school year.
   1.8 Resignation of Long Term Sub Apollo Title I Teacher Maddie Morrison, end of 2018-2019.
   1.9 Resignation of District Math Coach Ryan Koresko, end of 2108-2019 school year.
   1.10 Resignation of High School Flags Coach Cindy Simpson.

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

MILK BID FY20

2. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Dillavou, to accept the Prairie Farms Milk Bid for FY20 as presented.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

BREAD BID FY20

3. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Yates, to accept the Aunt Millie’s Bread Bid for FY20 as presented.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

FUEL BID FY20

4. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Bowns, to accept the Halcomb Oil Fuel bid for FY20 as presented.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

REGISTRATION FEES FY20

5. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Balmer, to approve the 2019-2020 Registration fees as presented.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

MEAL AND MILK FEES FY20

6. There was a motion by Yates, seconded by Balmer, to approve the Meal and Milk prices for 2019-2020 as presented with a $.10 increase from the prior year.
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

PRESS POLICY ADOPTION

7. There was motion by Yates, seconded by Dillavou, to adopt the updated PRESS Policies from IASB for the March Quarter.
   Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

Frieden arrived at 7:25pm.

HEALTH LIFE SAFETY AMENDMENT

8. There was a motion by Yates, seconded by Balmer, to approve the Health Life Safety Amendment for BHASED as presented.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
STUDENT SAFETY RESOLUTION  

9. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Frieden, to adopt the Student Safety Resolution as presented.  
Roll Call: 5 Ayes, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

FY 19 AUDIT FIRM  

10. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Balmer, to accept the proposal from Gorenz and Associates for Audit Services for FY19.  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HS DRAINAGE AND SIDEWALK BID  

11. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Yates, to accept the bid from Valley Construction in the amount of $142,750 for drainage and sidewalk work at the high school.  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION  

12. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Dillavou, at 8:00PM to go into Closed Session after a short recess for Personnel and Litigation discussion.  
11.1 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)  
11.3 Litigation  
Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Closed Session started at 8:15 PM.

OPEN SESSION  

13. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Bowns, to come out of Closed Session at 9:18 PM.  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE MCIS PRINCIPAL  

14. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Yates, to hire Ryan Koresko as the Mercer County Intermediate Principal for an 11 month contract for two years beginning August 1, 2019 to July 31, 2021 as presented in the contract.  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE NBE KINDERGARTEN TEACHER  

15. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Yates, to hire Kyrstin Plohr as New Boston Elementary Kindergarten Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year.  
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
HIRE NBE SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER 16. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Yates, to hire Michaela Baker as New Boston Special Education Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE JH SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER 17. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Yates, to hire Mollie Finch as Mercer County Junior High Special Education Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE APOLLO TITLE I TEACHER 18. There was a motion by Frieden, seconded by Yates, to hire Melissa Maloney as Apollo Elementary Title I Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE NBE PRE K PARAPROFESSIONAL 19. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Frieden, to hire Linda King as New Boston Elementary Pre K Paraprofessional for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE HS VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL COACH 20. There was a motion by Frieden, seconded by Yates, to hire Tim Sedam as High School Varsity Boys Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried

HIRE HS JV GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH 21. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Bowns, to hire Shawn Strachan as the High School Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE HS JV VOLLEYBALL COACH 22. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Frieden, to hire Lara Swanson as the High School Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE SUMMER WORKERS 23. There was a motion by Frieden, seconded by Dillavou, to hire Conner Sharp, Rebecca Hess, Daphne Truitt, Jayden Klingaman, Brooke Ziegenhorn, Justice Burrell, and Jacob Reusch as summer workers.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST 24. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Frieden, to approve the unpaid leave of absence request from 6th Grade Math teacher, Breanna McManus, for the 2019-2020 school year.
Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
### EXTENDED

25. There was a motion by Frieden, seconded by Yates, to approve the extended bereavement request from NBE Library Paraprofessional, Jaime Kernan, for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

### ADJOURN

26. There was a motion by Bowns, seconded by Frieden, to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 PM. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

### OTHER REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

#### ADDITIONS/DELETIONS
1. 7.1 c. Special Meeting Minutes – Board Interviews 5/13/2019

#### PUBLIC COMMENT
2. None

#### CORRESPONDENCE
3. Thank you cards were received for memorials sent to the family of Tina Larson in the passing of her father in law, as well as the family of Deb Giles and Donna Frye in the passing of their father.

#### BOARD COMMENTS
4. Tab Balmer commended the Junior High on the Career Day they held on May 1st. Tyson Dillavou mentioned the success of the Living Art Museum held at the Intermediate School on May 8th. The 6th graders did an outstanding job with their projects and the 5th graders had a great performance during the music concert. Mike Bowns enjoyed the Baccalaureate Ceremony at the High School on May 12th.

#### SEAT MEMBER OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
5. Mike Bowns was appointed to the Mercer County School Board of Education on May 15, 2019. He recited the Board Oath and was welcomed by fellow board members.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. Mr. Petrie summarized the Finance Committee minutes, highlighting how well the Health Insurance Account is doing. Tyson Dillavou spoke briefly on Transportation. Discussions were had regarding additional bus routes and reconfiguring routes to allow later pick up times. Julie Wagner discussed the actions of the Policy Committee. Additional information will be given later regarding the Bullying, Wellness, and Safety Policies.

#### FOIA REQUESTS
7. None

#### EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION BANQUET
8. The 2nd annual Excellence in Education Banquet was held on May 9th at Lake Storey in Galesburg. The ROE #33 recognized faculty and staff from the area districts providing dinner and an awards ceremony. Rusty Ruggles received Educator Recognition, Pam Nelson received Support Staff Recognition, and Karen Lewis was recognized as Retiring Support Staff.
COMMUNITY SURVEY 9. Mr. Petrie spoke briefly on the results of the community survey. The information provided in the board packet will be used to work on next year's goals for the district.

BUDGET AMENDMENT DISCUSSION 10. Mr. Petrie went over the highlights of the Budget Amendments scheduled for next month. The Health Life Safety projects as well as additional funds from Title Grant will affect some numbers crossing over the Fiscal Year as before.

BOARD POLICIES 11. Julie Wagner discussed the three policies included in the board packet. The Bullying Policy – 7.180, Wellness Policy – 6.50, and the Safety Policy – 4.170 are all required by law to be voted on in an open meeting. The Board was asked to review these policies and contact Julie with any questions or concerns prior to the June meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS 12. In addition to their written reports, the following was mentioned:
   Mr. Bush had nothing to add.
   Mr. Fleuette had nothing to add.
   Mrs. Day reported that today was the last day with seniors.
   Graduation practice is Friday at 9am followed by graduation on Sunday, May 19th @1pm.
   Mr. Sedam invited the Board Members to the 8th Grade Promotion held on Wednesday, May 29th @ 2pm.
   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: ________________________________