PUBLIC HEARING FOR PAVEMENT PROJECT

- Julie Wagner led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to Roll Call. The Public Hearing was called to order with Roll Call at 5:50PM. Board members present upon roll call: Balmer, Chiles, Frieden, Smock, Wagner, and Yates. – a quorum was present. Dillavou arrived at 5:52PM.
- Superintendent Petrie, Principals Day, Sedam, Jefferson, Bush and Fleuette, Athletic Director Andrew Hofer, Jim Taylor, Cathy Decker, and Secretary Angie Baker were in attendance.
- Mr. Petrie discussed the proposed amendment to the Health Life Safety plan regarding the paving project at the High School. The plan was to originally use oil and chip paving, but to help with drainage and longevity, they are proposing to change this area to concrete. They will seek bids this spring and complete the project this summer with existing funds.
- No public comments were made.
- There was a motion by Chiles, seconded by Balmer to adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:56 PM. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

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 School District Office, on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 6:00PM.

Prior to Roll Call, Pastor Dietmeier opened with a brief prayer.

RECORD OF MOTIONS & VOTES

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ATTENDANCE
Board members present upon roll call: Balmer, Chiles, Dillavou, Frieden, Smock, Wagner, and Yates. A quorum was present.

Absent: none

Administrators present: Superintendent Scott Petrie, Principals Day, Sedam, Jefferson, Bush and Fleuette

Also in Attendance: Pastor Dietmeier, Andrew Hofer, and Secretary Angie Baker

Reporters: Cathy Decker, Jim Taylor
CONSENT AGENDA

1. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Yates, to approve the following items on the consent agenda.
   1.1 Meeting Minutes
      a. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2019
   1.2 Bill List
   1.3 Treasurer’s Report
   1.4 Financial Report
   1.5 BCBS Health Insurance Account Statement
   1.6 Retirement of New Boston P.E. Teacher Mic Louck after the 2022-2023 school year
   1.7 Retirement of High School Mathematics Teacher Kay Hucke after the 2022-2023 school year
   1.8 Retirement of New Boston Resource Teacher Susan Roberts after the 2018-2019 school year
   1.9 Resignation of Junior High Cross Country Coach Peter Nelson
   1.10 Resignation of K-4 Elementary Art Teacher Cole Showalter at the end of the 2018-2019
   1.11 Resignation of Apollo Paraprofessional/Library Clerk Jill McCrory

IHSA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

2. There was a motion by Dillavou, seconded by Frieden, to approve the IHSA Membership renewal at no cost, as presented.
   Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

PAVING PROJECT

3. There was a motion by Yates, seconded by Chiles, to approve the amendment to the Health Life Safety Paving Project at the High School.
   Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

BOARD POLICY CHANGES

4. There was a motion by Balmer, seconded by Frieden, to accept the changes to Section 3 General School Administration Board Policies, 3:70AP and 3:30AP.
   Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

5. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Balmer, to go into Closed Session after a short recess for Personnel and Negotiations at 6:50PM.
   5.1 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)
   5.2 Negotiations
   Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
   Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

6. There was a motion by Chiles, seconded by Frieden, to come out of Closed Session at 9:05 PM.
   Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

HIRE WINTER COACHES

7. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Dillavou, to approve the rehire of the Winter High School coaches as presented.
   Roll Call: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
HIRE JH CROSS COUNTRY COACH
8. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Chiles, to hire Sam Whan as the Junior High Cross Country Coach.
Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SECRETARY
9. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Balmer, to hire Ronda Linder as the Mercer County Intermediate School Secretary.
Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

HIRE PARAPROFESSIONAL LIBRARY CLERK
10. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Balmer, to hire Jasmine Whitehall as the Paraprofessional/Library Clerk at Mercer County Intermediate School.
Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

NON-TENURED STAFF RENEWAL
11. There was a motion by Smock, seconded by Wagner, to approve the Non-Tenured Staff contract renewal as presented.
Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

ADJOURN
12. There was a motion by Chiles, seconded by Yates, to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 PM.
Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

OTHER REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS 1. 7.4 Board Policy Report
8.3 Section 3 General School Administration Board Policy Changes

PUBLIC COMMENT
2. None

CORRESPONDENCE 3. There was a thank you card received for a memorial sent to the family of Velma Stineman.

BOARD COMMENTS
4. Barb Chiles commended Amy Degelman and the High School Student Council for a successful blood drive. She congratulated the High School Scholastic Bowl Team on their Lincoln Trail Conference Championship and Mercer County Senior, Cal Bigham, for receiving the Quad City Engineering and Science Council Award. She spoke briefly on the Illinois Retired Teachers Association Legislative Committee Meeting she attended on March 12th. Barb recognized the high school students who volunteered to sandbag last week in Keithsburg.
5. Barb Chiles went over the Finance minutes including our Health Insurance and Health Life Safety Projects accounts. She also summarized the BHASED Governing Board minutes from their latest meeting. Nothing additional was discussed from the Building and Grounds meeting minutes. The Board Policy meeting minutes were discussed and details were given on the changes to Section 3.

6. We responded to two FOIA requests from SmartProcure and MCPEA.

7. Mr. Petrie discussed our 3 year commitment with Elyssa’s Mission and the action we have taken, along with the Mercer County Health Department, at the Junior High and High School levels. Mr. Sedam and Mrs. Day spoke briefly on that program and the steps taken with our students in those buildings.

   Mr. Petrie spoke on the Physical Health Awareness Program provided by the YMCA and Mercer County Health Department. Growth screening letters were mailed, offering the program to families interested. The program focuses on nutrition education and physical activity to encourage healthy eating habits and an active lifestyle.

8. Julie Wanger reminded the board of the upcoming Community Forum scheduled for April 9th. She asked for principal input regarding likes/dislikes.

9. Mr. Petrie discussed the implementation of the hard surface bus routes on Friday, March 15th. This affected the Johannes busses only with a few changes to the Mercer County bus routes. He has been in contact with road commissioners and is hoping to be back to regular routes soon.

10. In addition to their written reports, the following was mentioned:

    Mr. Fleuette reported on some mischief the leprechaun had gotten into at Apollo Elementary on March 18th. It caused some concerns in the building, before realizing the teachers had played a prank on their students.

    Mr. Bush reported the 3rd grade class attended a two day Water Safety Course at the YMCA.

    Mr. Jefferson spoke about the IAR testing taking place and thanked the Tech Department for their hard work with set up.

    Mr. Sedam discussed the 8th grade field trip to Black Hawk College and the Rock Island Courthouse on March 13th. The 7th grade class will be going to the Peoria Museum later this month.

    Mrs. Day commended the students, as well as, Mr. Whan and Mrs. Noble, on the fantastic High School Musical presented on March 14th-16th. She also discussed the career day scheduled for the freshmen and sophomores on April 9th.