

**Unofficial Minutes**  
**Board of Directors Meeting, February 14, 2022**

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022, 7:00 pm held at the North District Office and via Zoom in Irrigon, OR.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jacob Cain (Zoom), Richard Cole, Kalie Davis, Mary Killion, Becky Kindle, Brian Kollman (Zoom), Barney Lindsay (7:40)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dirk Dirksen, Cheryl Costello, Marie Shimer, Erin Stocker, Jody Deardorff, Patrick Kerrigan. Via Zoom: Beth O’Hanlon, Marissa Turner, John Christy, Jill Ledbetter, Jami Carbray, David Norton, Steve Sheller, Kaira Rysdam, Stephanie Ewing, Rose Palmer, Ryan Keefauver, Matt Combe, Dieter Waite

**OTHERS PRESENT:** as per roster

**Call to Order:**

Board Chair, Becky Kindle called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established.

**Public Comment**

None

**Delegations:**

MCEA – Charlene Baker; OSEA – Bart Prouty

**Presentation**

**Madison Hynes, Riverside Jr/Sr High School FFA** – Riverside FFA members Yazeli Ayala, Wyatt Brown, Cynthia Gonzalez, Will Killion, Makaila Lantis and Brenda Trujillo presented a power point sharing highlights from their trip to National Convention. Some of the highlights/pictures were visits to: a honey farm, Purdue University, National FFA Center, Indy Motor Speedway, Conner Prairie Museum, Brett Young Concert, a shrimp farm and a rodeo.

They also provided a tour of the new greenhouse. Mr. Norton thanked BCDA, Port of Morrow and FFA for funds and assistance in building the greenhouse. Students are currently growing vegetables and plants and have a plant sale scheduled for May 6-8, 2022.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.  
Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

- A. Approved minutes of the work session and regular meeting of January 10, 2022;
- B. Approved Financial Report, Enrollment Report and Employment Action including rehiring of spring coaches;
- C. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies:
- D. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies:
- E. Adoption of New, Revised or Rescinded AR’s:

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

## Superintendent Report

- **Graduation Rates** – 11 years ago the MCSD graduation rate was 76% (above state average). Today, the overall graduation rate is 96%. Mr. Dirksen complimented all involved in making this happen.
- **Covid/Masking Guidelines** – New guidelines, giving local control, are coming out the end of March. We have done a great job keeping masks on and not having to quarantine entire classrooms. Without masks, we may have to quarantine classrooms. More information to follow.
- **Community Health Worker Certificate** – We are once again moving forward with this program. Kalie, Marie and OSU are working on this project.
- **Language Arts Textbook Adoption** – A parent/community survey has been launched. We are looking for feedback and volunteers to participate in the process. Curriculum will be reviewed the first week of March.
- **Introduction** – Mr. Dirksen welcomed Barbara Phillips, the next executive secretary/HR assistant. Barbara has been an employee of the district for 12.5 years with 8 of those as head secretary at Irrigon Elementary.

## Unfinished Business

- **Resolution #2021-22-08 – Corrective Action Plan** – The Corrective Action Plan submitted is to correct audit findings from the recent audit by Dickey & Tremper.

### Resolution #2021-22-08 – Corrective Action Plan

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the resolution – Corrective Action Plan. Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Morrow County SD Bond / Resolution #2021-22-09** – Mr. Dirksen shared artist renderings showing the changes that would take place providing the bond passes in May 2022. The official resolution is to place the bond on the May 2022 ballot.

### Resolution #2021-22-09 – Calling a Measure Election for General Obligation Bonds

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the resolution to place the bond on the May 2022 ballot. Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Budget Committee** – Brian has secured Tom Wolff to serve in position #1, Richard has secured Lisa Wedam to serve in position #3, and Kalie has secured Loren Dieter to serve in position #7.

### Budget Committee

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to approve Tom Wolff, Lisa Wedam and Loren Dieter to serve on the Budget Committee. Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Superintendent Evaluation** – Chair Kindle summarized Mr. Dirksen’s evaluation. Mr. Dirksen scored on every standard on average between Excellent and Outstanding. His average scoring for the entire evaluation from board members was 3.7 which is above Excellent.

**New Business**

- **Resolution #2021-22-10 – IMESD Local Service Plan 2022/23** – The IMESD Local Service Plan for the 2022/2023 school year was presented for approval.

**Resolution #2021-22-10 – IMESD Local Service Plan 2022/2023**

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the resolution for the 2022/23 IMESD Local Service Plan. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Resolution #2021-22-11 – Unanticipated Revenue**
  - \$200 to SBE from the family of Millie Baker (former SBE teacher who recently passed away) to be used in the library.
  - \$3,338.77 to RJSHS - value of chairs purchased by Deborah Wryn for the band/choir program.
  - \$120.00 to RJSHS – income from surplus sale (miscellaneous).
  - \$40.00 to IJSHS – income from surplus sale (weight equipment).

**Resolution #2021-22-11 – Unanticipated Revenue**

Motion: Kalie Davis made a motion to approve the resolution for unanticipated revenue. Richard Cole seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **ESSER Funds** – ESSER Funds Request - Sam Boardman Elementary to utilize ESSER Funds for upgrading their controls and also replacing a unit in the office.

**ESSER Funds**

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to approve the use of ESSER funds for Sam Boardman Elementary. Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **MCS D Calendar Options 2022/2023** – Two calendar options were presented to the Board for the 2022/23 school year. Option #1 is a pre-Labor Day start and Option #2 is a post-Labor Day start. If approved, both options will be presented to staff for a vote.

**MCS D Calendar Options 2022/2023**

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the 2022/23 calendar options as presented to send to staff for a vote. Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Adoption 2022/2023 Budget Calendar** – The 2022/2023 Budget Calendar was presented for approval.

**Adoption 2022/2023 Budget Calendar**

Motion: Kalie Davis made a motion to approve the 2022/2023 Budget Calendar as presented. Richard Cole seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Juneteenth Holiday** – June 15, 2021, the Senate passed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act, establishing Juneteenth as a federal holiday. This will be a paid holiday this year. How this holiday will be observed in the future will be discussed in negotiations.

Chair Kindle read the announcements:

- No School – Monday, February 21, 2022, Presidents Day Holiday
- Classified Appreciation Week – March 7 – 11, 2022
- Special Board Meeting – Superintendent Search/Screening Committee Training – Thursday, February 17, 2022, 7:00pm, North District Office/Zoom
- Special Board Meeting – Superintendent Search – Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 6:00pm, North District Office/Zoom
- Next Board Meeting – Monday, March 14, 2022, 7:00pm – North District Office/Zoom

Chair Kindle adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Cheryl Costello, Board Secretary

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Becky Kindle, Board Chair

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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