



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 763
MEDFORD, MN 55049
May 17, 2021

The regular meeting of the Medford Board of Education was called to order by Ms. Berg, Chair, at 7:00 p.m. in the media center. Members present were Mr. Anhorn, Ms. Berg, Ms. Chambers, Ms. Janke, Ms. Jones, Mr. Sutherland, Ms. Winkels and Superintendent Ristau.

Motion by Ms. Berg, second by Ms. Janke, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

There was no public input or recognition.

Motion by Ms. Winkels, second by Ms. Chambers, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion Carried 6-0-1.

- 5) Consent Agenda
 - a) Correction and approval of minutes
 - b) Claims and Treasurer's Reports
 - c) Expense Reports
 - d) Personnel
 - i) Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
 - a. Ashley Kneifel – Resignation
 - ii) Employment
 - a. Emily Johnson – High School Science Teacher
 - b. Cierra Duchene – Elementary Teacher
 - c. Josh Cleuver – High School Math Teacher
 - iii) Leave of Absence
 - e) Gifts and Donations
 - f) Written Reports
 - i) Community Ed Director
 - ii) Elementary Principal

- iii) Secondary Principal
- iv) Dashir Management

Mr. Kellen – Reported on multiple items. An additional math club was hosted for tiger club. Two driver ed classes were held and are hoping to hold one more class. Behind the wheel will start soon and larger than usual numbers are expected to participate. Tiger club will be hosted throughout the summer for the first time; thank you Ms. Vagle for organizing this. There were no community ed booklets this past year.

Mr. Carlson – Reported on multiple items. Teacher appreciation week just passed. Three sections will be running for summer school and it is close to being finalized. Track and field day will be held this year. Hoping to have an all school celebration at the end of the year. There will be a kindergarten graduation.

Mr. Babcock – Math and science vacancies have been filled. According to US News and World report Medford ranked in the top 150 schools in Minnesota and in the top 31% of schools nationally. Ms. Goblirsch is a finalist for teacher of the year. FFA did very well and had multiple state participants in poultry contests. Four choir members reached superior status. Business Challenge had Medford teams place 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Prom went very well. Many restrictions have been lifted for graduation but masks will still be worn. The parade following graduation will be put on again this year. South Central college has received a grant that allows certain high school students to attend college for free.

Mr. Ristau reported on the following:

- I. Enrollment – 893 – We are at the same enrollment as the beginning of the year but down 18 from this same time last year.
- II. Covid 19 Update – Steele County's case numbers are at 30. In district we have 2 quarantining students and 1 positive student. Many restrictions were lifted this past week. Schools are still required to wear masks through the last teacher contract day.
- III. Legislative Update – Session ends tonight. They reached a broad budget agreement but without many details. They want to start funding summer school.

Motion by Ms. Berg, second by Ms. Winkels, to approve the Memo of Understanding.
Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Jones, second by Mr. Anhorn, to approve Tracy Helms-3rd Party Billing-7.1.21-8.31.21. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Berg, second by Ms. Jones, to approve Policy 502-Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student's Person. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Sutherland, second by Ms. Chambers, to approve Policy 506-Student Discipline.
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Chambers, second by Ms. Winkels, to approve Policy 515-Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Jones, second by Mr. Anhorn, to approve Policy 516-Student Medication. Motion carried.

The board asked about board member attendance at graduation.

Board or Superintendent announcements.

I. June 21, 2021-7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Motion by Ms. Janke, second by Mr. Anhorn, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:53 p.m. Motion Carried.

Jackie Berg, Chair

Jennifer Jones, Clerk