

Unofficial Meeting Minutes - Regular Meeting

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by Vice-President Sandra Wiitala at 6:00pm.

Members present: Sandra Wiitala, Corey Horky, Jeff White, Michael Tindall, Ryan Novess.

Absent: Brandon Woods, Rebecca Harvey.

Agenda was approved with a motion by White, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on March 18, 2024 were approved. Motion by Novess, support by Horky.

Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

Minutes of the Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting on April 3, 2024 were approved. Motion by Wiitala, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

TREASURER'S REPORT - Accepted as presented. Motion by Tindall, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

COMMUNICATION

- A. Correspondence - None
- B. Public Questions/Comments - None

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Manchester Community Schools Bond Project Update
 - 1. The Board approved the agreement with GMB Design as presented; Motion by Tindall, support by White. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
 - 2. Bond Project Update - Dr. Bezeau presented updates regarding the Bond and the Capital Improvement meetings and possible schedule moving forward were discussed by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Keep the Wheel Rolling -Athletic Boosters - Dr. Bezeau shared his appreciation to the Athletic Boosters. Julie Feldkamp and Kate LaVigne of the Athletic Boosters spoke on scholarships and fundraising.
- B. Sub Zero Sweets - J. Walsh introduced students from the newest student business Sub Zero Sweets. These eighth grade students presented to the Board and shared tokens from their new business.
- C. Superintendent Evaluation Update - A Special Meeting was called for on June 12, 2024 at 6:00pm for the Superintendent Evaluation. Motion by Tindall, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
 - 1. Artifacts - Dr Bezeau will share with the Board the summary, feedback, and self evaluation of the Survey with the Board.
- D. Field Trip Requests - The Board approved the Robotics Trip to Worlds as presented. Motion by White, support by Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
- E. Curriculum - First Look
 - 1. High School Curriculum - Course Descriptions 2024-2025 - The Board will review this information for the next regular meeting.
 - 2. Riverside Intermediate Curriculum - Course Descriptions 2024-2025 - The Board will review this information for the next regular meeting.
 - 3. Klager Luther Elementary Curriculum - Course Descriptions 2024-2025 - The Board will review this information for the next regular meeting.
- F. Community Resource Center Contract Renewal - The Board accepted the contract as presented. Motion by Tindall, support by Horky. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 4-0 Absent; 1 Jeff White
- G. Proposal Recommendation

1. Plasma Cutting System, Welding Equipment - The Board approved the proposal as presented. Motion by Wiitala, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
 2. Wireless Door Controllers - The Board approved the proposal as presented. Motion by White, support by Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
- H. Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) - The Board approved the Emergency Operation Plan for the District. Motion by Novess, support by Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
- I. Bond Award of Sale - The Board approved the Bond award of sale as presented. Motion by Novess, support by Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
- J. Buildings and Grounds Update - M. Tindall presented an update on solar panels. State and federal governments are supporting Green Energy. Currently solar panels save money yearly for our district.

PERSONNEL REPORT

A. New Hires

Department	Position	Name	As of Date	District	Third Party
Junior/Senior High School	Alliance Advisor	Shannon Morton	3/20/2024	X	
Student Support Service	General Education Social Worker	Katherine McClure	4/8/2024	X	

The new hires were accepted as presented. Motion by Wiitala, supported by Horky. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

B. Resignations

Department	Position	Name	As of Date	District	Third Party
Junior/Senior High School	Media Clerk	Benjamin Pack	3/19/2024	X	
Athletics	Head Varsity Football Coach	Benjamin Pack	3/19/2024	X	
Buildings & Grounds	Maintenance Aide	Kevin Bemis	4/8/2024	X	
Special Education	Special Education Teacher	Lisa Lauro	8/31/2024	X	

Exiting personnel were accepted as presented. Motion by Novess, support from Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

C. Retiring

1. Larissa Tindall - Ms. Larissa Tindall's retirement from Manchester Community Schools, at the completion of the 2023-2024 school year, was accepted as presented noting that she has been an amazing teacher. Motion by Novess, support from Tindall. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0
2. Jared Throneberry - Mr. Jared Throneberry's retirement from Manchester Community Schools, at the completion of the 2023-2024 school year, was accepted as presented noting that he will continue to do great things and was pivotal in the kids' lives. Motion by White, support from Horky. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

3. Heather Stommen - Ms. Heather Stommen's retirement from Manchester Community Schools, at the completion of the 2023-2024 school year, was accepted with deep regret as presented noting that she has been a great teacher. Motion by White, support from Horky. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

D. Recognition of Changes in Teacher Probationary and Tenure Status

1. The status of teacher progress in steps of probation and tenure status is summarized below. Effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year and based on the availability of employment, the following teachers are recognized to be at the following stages.

2nd Year Probation

Jodie Boehlke
Kimberly Carey
Joseph Freeman
Devin Girbach
Kayla Krioukova
Shannon Morton
Krista Scharpenberg
Justin Ward

4th Year Probation

Miranda Joynt

5th Year Probation

Allyson Krestensen

Tenure

Joseph Walsh

3rd Year Probation

Julie Brilliant
Logan Caszatt
Lydia Coval
Alexander Goricki
Deidra LaPointe
Isabella Lehrer
Carla Zygnier

Continuing Employment

Denise Abrams
Madeline Stephens
Rachel Tierney

The Board recognizes teacher progress towards tenure, continued employment, and tenure as outlined above. Motion by Tindall, support by Novess. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0

F. Open Positions

DISCUSSION ITEMS/REPORTS

- A. Klager / MECC -The Y5/Kindergarten Information Night and it was a huge success. Congratulations to March's Students of the Month, we are so proud of our little leaders!
- B. Riverside -Each Riverside student was given a pair of protective, solar eclipse glasses as they and their classmates were able to participate with the historic event. Also, a huge thank you to the parent volunteers that put together the Solar Eclipse Snack Bags for their enjoyment as well.
- C. Jr-Sr High School - Prom April 27, 2024, Congratulations to the Robotics team for winning the State Competition. They are Texas bound for Nationals.
- D. Athletics - Spring sports have started, come out and see our teams!!

- E. Special Education - Our Jr/Sr Community Based Instruction classroom has been able to outfit their classroom with a calming corner. Our students are already taking advantage of this new space to help with emotional regulation during their school day. Thank you to Paraprofessional Dawn Waller for organizing this project!
- F. Technology - We have been preparing for the first PSAT/SAT fully virtual test. Rebecca Sears and our wonderful custodial brought some life back into the sound room. During spring break it is also a great time to get around to all of the classrooms and make sure our projectors are cleaned out.
- G. Business Office - We have been going through the Bond Sale Bidding process with BakerTilly and Thrun to secure our Bond proceeds.
- H. Buildings & Grounds - Has been out getting the fields ready, this baseball season really snuck up quick with a very, very narrow window between the ground being too wet to work on and kids playing on the surfaces. Despite this we are moving forward. We have applied 10 yards of new infield mix to our Varsity fields with another 10 yards scheduled for delivery on Friday 4/12/24.
- I. Student Report - Wishing Robotics well at World's, DECA Loved One and Me Dance, Shoutout to Rollins, DECA, and CTE education.
- J. Food Service - Wishing Miss Stephanie a very happy birthday. She helps make Klager's Epic Eatery a fun place for our students!
- K. School Nurse - Stop the Bleed kits have been installed in each building where the AED is located, staff CPR training for the spring is complete, and epipens have all been updated.
- L. PTSA - None
- M. PTO - None
- N. Board - Thank you for the support from the school and athletic booster for Robotics

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Dr. Bezeau

- Robotics - Good luck to the team at Worlds
- Spring sports are underway
- Quiz Bowl Manchester was 6th in state
- Pleasure working with Jeff White

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. J. Smith - Athletic field concern.
2. T. Waller - Thanked the Board.

UPCOMING DATES

- Loved One and Me Dance - April 26, 2024
- Prom - April 27, 2024
- Early Release - May 3, 2024
- Riverside Book Fair - May 13-17, 2024
- Board Meeting - May 20, 2024
- Memorial Day, No School - May 27, 2024
- Last Day of School is a Half Day - June 7, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Novess, support by White to adjourn meeting at 7:24pm. Roll call Vote: All Yes; 5-0