

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Montrose Community Schools
August 22, 2022
KHMS Media Center

Members Present: Chuck Wright, Annie Rodgers, Coetta Adams, Ron Loafman, Paul Wade, Barry Gross, Dan Hill
Members Absent:
Other Participants: Dr. Linden Moore, Cassandra Jackson, Kelly Reinhardt, Cassy Wright, Angie Florian, Shawna Birchmeier, Casey Schaub, Shaun Brewer, Shane Mishler
Guests:

Call to Order	Chuck Wright called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
First Call for Citizen Comment	Randall Miller, 11122 Dodge Rd, Montrose, MI 48457 Shelby McPherson, 11047 Frances Road, Flushing, MI 48433 Nathalee Harris, 15146 East road, Montrose, MI 48457
Presentation	NONE
BOARD MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO CONSIDER AND DECLARE POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES WITH ANY ACTION ITEM	
Recommended Actions	<p>A motion was made Chuck Wright to approve the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the July 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes • Approval of the August 8, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes • Approval of Financial/Secretary Report and Bills as Presented • Approval of Proposed Agenda <p>Support: Dan Hill</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.</i></p>
Consider Approval of Student Handbooks and Changes for the 2022-2023 School Year	<p>Each building Principal has revised their respective school's student handbook for the 2022-2023 school year. In addition to the policies and procedures unique to each building, the handbooks also reflect compliance with the annual notices required by law.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 student handbooks for Carter Elementary, Kuehn-Haven Middle School, Hill-McCloy High School, and Choice Alternative School.</p> <p>Motion: Coetta Adams Support: Ron Loafman</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
Consider Approval of the High School Curriculum Guide for the 2022-2023 School Year	<p>Please see attached 2022-2023 High School Curriculum Guide.</p> <p>It is the goal of Montrose Community Schools to create a climate where expectations are high, individual differences are nurtured, global awareness is promoted and lifelong learning is valued.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION:</p>

	<p>The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 High School Curriculum Guide as presented.</p> <p>Motion: Annie Rodgers Support: Coetta Adams</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval Resignations (2)</p>	<p>BACKGROUND: Mrs. Rebecca Harbarth has submitted her resignation as the First Grade Teacher for the Montrose Community Schools (see attached letter). Rebecca was hired at the June 28th Board of Education meeting and has chosen to take a position in a district that is closer to her family.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mrs. Rebecca Harbarth and wish her well.</p> <p>Motion: Barry Gross Support: Annie Rodgers</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p> <p>BACKGROUND: Mrs. Melissa Crawford has submitted her resignation as a paraprofessional for the Montrose Community Schools (see attached letter).</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mrs. Melissa Crawford. We appreciate her 15 years of service to the district and wish her well.</p> <p>Motion: Annie Rodgers Support: Coetta Adams</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of Hire (3)</p>	<p>Mr. Shaun Brewer is pleased to recommend Mrs. Heather Eppler for the Kindergarten Teaching Position at Carter Elementary School on the basis of her knowledge and enthusiasm for working with children. Mrs. Eppler is a graduate of the University of Michigan. She has a Bachelor of Science and Associate of Applied Science in Child Development-Special Needs.</p> <p>Mrs. Eppler has been an early childhood teacher at Bridgeport-Spaulding for the past two and a half years. Previous to this she has spent many years teaching preschool in both Genesee and Saginaw counties.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Mrs. Eppler as the Kindergarten Teacher for Carter Elementary.</p> <p>Motion: Barry Gross Support: Ron Loafman</p>

The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Shaun Brewer is pleased to recommend Mrs. Kylene Taylor for the 1st Grade Teacher Position at Carter Elementary.

Mrs. Taylor has completed her Bachelor's degree from Anderson University in Indiana with certifications in Elementary Education as well as Special Education. She has been teaching for six and a half years with experience as a classroom teacher, special education teacher, and has helped to direct a Spanish club for third grade students.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Mrs. Kylene Taylor as the 1st Grade Teacher for Carter Elementary.

Motion: Coetta Adams

Support: Paul Wade

The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

BACKGROUND:

Shawna Birchmeier-Groulx is pleased to recommend Mrs. Jennifer Szwed for the 4th Grade Teaching Position at Kuehn-Haven Middle School on the basis of her knowledge and enthusiasm for working with children. Mrs. Szwed is a recent graduate of Ferris State University. She has a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. She recently passed her Michigan Elementary K-5 All Subject (K-8 self-contained classroom) (ZG) certification test. Mrs. Szwed completed her student teaching and a long term sub job in June 2022 at KHMS.

During the past several years, she has worked tirelessly to build relationships with students, families, and colleagues. She began her career at Carter Elementary where she was a paraprofessional. Her colleagues advocated for her and assured the committee that she has strong skills to help students learn socially and emotionally as well as guide them academically in the classroom. They indicated she makes strong connections with the students and they very much like her as a teacher and all around person.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Jennifer Szwed as the 4th Grade Teacher for KHMS.

Motion: Dan Hill

Support: Ron Loafman

The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

Consider Approval Cafeteria Floor tile Replacement

The current tile at Carter Elementary has lasted over 60 years and is in need of replacement. After receiving quotes from 3 companies, we have decided to go with Lansing Tile & Mosaic.

Carter Kitchen Tile Replacement Bids		
Lansing Tile & Mosaic		\$24,717.00
Niles construction		\$22,976.00
B-EZ Flooring		\$13,894.50

	<p>Lansing Tile would remove the current tile but be able to use the existing mud bed which reduces the cost to \$22,082.00. The tile would be larger than the current tile which means less grout issues. The new tile is non-slip and provides better footage for staff.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approve the Carter Elementary Kitchen Tile replacement project from Lansing Tile & Mosaic at the estimated cost of \$24,717.00.</p> <p>Motion: Chair Support: Annie</p> <p>Roll Call: Ron Loafman, Barry Gross, Dan Hill, Chuck Wright, Annie Rodgers, Paul Wade, Coetta Adams</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of Avigilon Security Camera Server Purchase</p>	<p>The District is in need of purchasing an Avigilon 64TB AI Network Video Recorder (NVR) to be installed at a centralized location to house the District’s recordings of all newly installed security cameras throughout the District. Through the competitive bid process, we would like to accept the proposal from Security 101 at the cost of \$23,055.06.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approve the Avigilon 64TB Premium AI NVR from Security 101 for the price of \$23,055.06.</p> <p>Motion: Coetta Adams Support: Barry Gross</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of the MEA Master Agreement 2022-2023</p>	<p>The District and the MEA have successfully negotiated a new Master Agreement through 2025.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the 2022-2025 Master Agreement with the MEA as presented.</p> <p>Motion: Coetta Adams Support: Barry Gross</p> <p>Roll Call: Barry Gross, Dan Hill, Chuck Wright, Annie Rodgers, Paul Wade, Coetta Adams</p> <p>Ron Loafman abstained due to family conflict.</p> <p><i>The motion carried with 5 members present voting yes and one vote no.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of</p>	<p>Mr. Jeremy Harber (high school physics teacher) has requested permission to take students in grades 11- 12th to Chicago, IL in March of 2023. The cost of this trip is approximately \$498.00 per student, which includes transportation, lodging, entry fees,</p>

Overnight Field Trip	<p>and all meals each day. Students will be responsible for the total cost of this trip if approved. Please reference attached documentation for details of the proposed trip.</p> <p>School administration will ensure that District policies regarding field trips will be followed and the required forms for travel are completed.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the out-of-state field trip to Chicago, IL in March of 2023 and reserves the right to cancel the trip in the event of severe weather or potentially dangerous world conditions. All staff, students, and parents involved in this trip are cautioned that the district will not assume any financial responsibility for funds lost due to the cancellation of this trip may want to pursue trip insurance to guard against such a possibility.</p> <p>Motion: Chair Support: Annie Rodgers</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
Second Call for Citizens Comments	None
Informational Items	<p>Administrative Reports: Superintendent Report: MCS enrollment is up for the 2022-23 year, however, enrollment is always changing. We created a text message for parents to opt in if interested in receiving updates from the district via text. Board members will receive doodles for committee meetings Doorbells are in at the 1st level. We have an open position posting – HMHS ELA Teacher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Enrollment Update <p>Board Calendar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October – Financial Audit Report <p>School Board Requests for Information For the Good of the Order</p>
Future Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● August 26 - No School Staff and Students ● August 29 - First Day of School ● September 2-5 - No School Staff and Students ● September 21 - Early Release PLC ● September 26 - Regular Meeting
Adjournment	<p>Chair moved to adjourn the meeting @ 7:21 p.m.</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all member's present voting yes.</i></p>

- Minutes recorded and prepared by Kelly Reinhardt, Executive Secretary
- Submitted by Ron Loafman, Board Secretary

To: Schaub, Casey
Subject: RE: MCS - Building and Program Updates - August 22, 2022

August 22, 2022 - Admin Reports

Carter Elementary

- Kindercamp was a big success the past three weeks. We had roughly 50 different students participate in at least one session.
- We had enough K-enrollment to open a 5th section to help with class sizes.

Kuehn-Haven Middle School Admin Report

- After some beautiful cleaning by our custodial team, our teachers are now getting their classrooms ready for opening day!
- Thank you for approving the updates in our office including new carpet and paint. It looks beautiful.
- We currently have three special education paraprofessionals positions open. Interviews were conducted today, and we have some really great candidates!
- We saw many students and families last week in the MS office as our families stopped in to update their Synergy information and receive their students' schedule.

Hill-McCloy High School Admin Report

- Our summer school ran from June 20, 2022, until August 4, 2022. We had quite the number of students earn academic credit this summer school.
- There were countless high school students that volunteered throughout the Blueberry Festival. I want to extend a thank you to those students for volunteering their time to support the community event.
- The Hill-McCloy team has been preparing for the upcoming school year with the goal to improve the educational environment and experiences for our students. We hired Daniel Moreno (an 8th-grade Science teacher) and Trevor Beach (a Business/CTE teacher) this past spring. Both of these teachers were in the building today as they attended Mrs. Jackson's New Teacher professional development and continued to prepare for the upcoming school year.
- The principals have worked with central administration to align the weekly publication of the principal newsletters. Each of our buildings will be sending out the newsletters to our students and families each Friday via email. The new Montrose Community Schools' Facebook page will post them each Friday as well.

Choice Alternative School Report

- Gina Rumsey, the Choice secretary, has been handling the many requests from students to enroll, and we have 145 current enrollments at Choice. I appreciate the collaboration from Shaun Brewer and the Choice staff throughout the summer as we planned for the 2022-2023 school year. I am excited to be working with the staff to support the students at Choice.

Food Service and Transportation

- The new tables and chairs are in and look fantastic in the HS/MS cafeteria. The cafeteria is freshly painted, and new signage is up. I am excited for students to return to see the fresh look.

- The summer program ended on August 18th. We had an average of around 100-120 students daily. The cafeteria staff served the annual football camp and had a high count of 996.
- In transportation, we have hired a new bus driver and the drivers are working hard planning their route sheets. We have updated the bus drivers' room with new paint and murals as well.

Special Education

- Our annual Special Olympics Mum Sale is underway. This is our largest fundraiser of the year to support our athletes in both training for and attending the State Games. We have order forms in all school offices and will take delivery on September 10th. Thank you to the many parents and staff helping to orchestrate this event.
- We have again successfully completed 6 training opportunities for staff who are interested in renewing or initiating their Crisis Prevention Intervention credentials (CPI). This provides valuable training to staff for verbal de-escalation and additional techniques for working with students.

Athletics

- The Kuehn-Haven Pixellot system has been installed. Wiring and power are in the process of being finalized. Contests for MS Girls Basketball will be scheduled for the first broadcasting in September. The other two units are going through testing broadcasts, and calibration processes if necessary.
- Scheduling for this fall and winter has one significant change. MS Boys basketball and MS Girls Volleyball have flipped seasons in the MMAC. MS Boys basketball will begin right after football season, and MS Volleyball will begin after Christmas break.
- Military Appreciation Game: September 9th vs Byron. Focusing on Mission 22 (Veteran Suicide Prevention)
- Middle School tryouts begin next week (Football, Basketball and Cross Country)
- Athletic Schedules can be found at montroseathletics.com

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