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BOARD MINUTES

December 12, 2024
Thursday, 4:30 P.M.
Executive Meeting Room

Regular Board Meeting

A. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by President Joel Akerknecht.

Members Present: Joel Ackerknecht, Tyler Rogers, Randy Bloemhof

Others present: **Bryan Easter, Superintendent**

Christy Herstad, Principal

Angelica Fernandez, Administrative Assistant

John Campbell, MOT Director

B. FLAG SALUTE - Led by
Joell Ackerknecht

C. CORRESPONDENCE, HEARINGS, DELEGATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Maple Media Elective - Mr. Johnson, our Maple Media Elective teacher, introduces our Media Department. He shares that it began two years ago and continues to evolve as he and the students learn the process. In the class, students learn how to operate the teleprompter, and with the help of new equipment and a generous donation from MCC, the Podcast and Media Department has taken off. The department is now ready to go live, with the board featured on their podcast. Student Regan leads board members in sharing a few words on the podcast. Mr. Johnson emphasizes the incredible talent of our students and the impact they have on campus, bringing important issues to life through broadcast. Mrs. Herstand also expresses how rewarding it has been to witness and participate in their creative endeavors.

D. COMMUNITY COMMENT

E. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

F. REPORTS

1. MOT Director, John Campbell
 - a. EV Bus Update - John Campbell reports that they were asking for an engine tag. EZBus came to look for it and they also could not find it so a duplicate is being ordered. An issue with bus #4 was corrected. On site there are some projects the MOT team is finishing up.
2. Principal, Christy Herstad
 - a. Student Discipline - one suspension.
 - b. PLC Teacher Group - Mrs. Herstand introduces the team that attended the PLC conference. Mrs. Gutierrez reflects on one of the key takeaways, which was exploring how teachers can become more professional in their interactions with one another and how they can build on each other's strengths. Mrs. Clendenen's takeaway focused on gaining a deeper

understanding of PLCs (Professional Learning Communities) and their purpose, which led to some "AHA" moments about improving teamwork and holding each other accountable. Mr. Johnson emphasized the importance of understanding educational standards. Mr. Roberts learned how teachers can unite to help students succeed in the classroom and how collaboration can drive progress. Mrs. Herstad expressed gratitude to the board for allowing teachers to attend the conference, which equips and empowers them to grow. Mr. Ackerknecht also shared the importance of sending our teachers to conferences where they can bring what they have learned back to our classroom.

- c. Superintendent, Bryan Easter
- d. Enrollment: 287, attendance 96.4% -
- e. Facility Update - Shade structure completion report
- f. Foundation Update - We had a meeting on Monday to go over the golf tournament and foundation dinner on April 3rd.
- g. Governance Norms & Commitments Review - The board of trustees has collaboratively established commitments and protocols. The document is on the school's website.
- h. Annual Organizational Meeting - December 13, 2024 at 12:00pm

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of the November MIDA, MIDB & EOM payrolls totaling \$227,071.59

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

2. Consider approval of commercial warrant batches 12 & 13 for the 2024-25 school year totaling \$220,457.97

Motion Bloemhof Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

3. Consider approval of 2024-2025 1st Interim Financial Report, as presented by Bryan Easter - Mr. Easter shares the 1st Interim report with the board and gives details of their projection and any possible carryover of the unrestricted funding. Sharing also a 25.1% Increase in the restricted lottery fund.

4.

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

5. Consider approval of Resolution #1212-24 District of Choice transfers for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion Ackerknecht Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

6. Consider approval of the KCSOS Tech Services Contract

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

7. Consider approval of Resolution #1212-24B for the Zero Emission School Bus and Infrastructure Incentive Project

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

8. Consider approval of Updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations (2nd Reading)

- a. BP 0510 - School Accountability Report Card
- b. BP/AR 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process
- c. AR 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with

- Disabilities)
- d. BP 5147 - Dropout Prevention
- e. Board Bylaw 9010 - Public Statements

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

9. Maple School District Facilities Plan and Discussion (info only) - It is a breakdown of our facilities projects with the estimated cost and the actual cost of all of our projects. Mr. Easter shares the slides with the board on each project. Mr. Ackerknecht believes in getting community feedback in future projects.

H. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the November 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting & November 21, 2024 Special Board Meeting

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

L. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Time: 5:20 pm

Motion Ackerknecht Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

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