

Minutes of the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education Meeting of February 18, 2016

The February 18, 2016 meeting of the Metamora Community Consolidated School District #1 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at Metamora Grade School. Members present: Mr. Blundell, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Sikkema, Mr. Strawn, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Wernsman, Metamora Grade School Principal Cathy Costello, Metamora Grade School Dean of Students Tim Damery, Bookkeeper Jan Holman, and Marty Payne. Visitors to the meeting included Sandra Freitag, Becky Rhodes, Diane Grebner, and Wendy Vogel

Consent Agenda

Motion was by Mr. Blundell, seconded by Mr. Wernsman, to approve the consent agenda. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Reports from the Public

No reports were given

Action Items

A. Discussion and Approval of the following Board of Education Policies that Pertain to Bullying: 7:20, "Harassment of Students Prohibited," 7:180, "Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Harassment, and Intimidation," 7:180 AP1, "Administrative Procedure: Prevention, Identification, Investigation, Response to Bullying and School Violence," 7:180 – E1, "Exhibit: Resource Guide for Bullying and School Violence Prevention," 7:180 E2 – "Exhibit: Be a Hero by Reporting Bullying and School Violence," 7:180 E3, "Exhibit: Memo to Staff Regarding Bullying and School Violence 7:180 E4 – "Exhibit: Memo to Parents/Guardians Regarding Bullying and Violence," 7:180 E5 – "Exhibit: Report for Bullying and School Violence," 7:180 E6, "Exhibit: Interview form for Bullying and School Violence Investigation," And, 7:180 E7, "Exhibit: Response to School Bullying and School Violence"

Mr. Payne explained that by *School Code*, the district is required to review and update as needed the respective Board of Education policies that pertain to bullying. Last spring the bullying policies went through a major revision. There weren't any changes made to the policies other than the change in date. The respective polices can be found online, within the Board of Education Policy Manual.

Motion by Mr. Wernsman, seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to approve the revision of policies as presented. All members present vote yea on a roll call vote.

B. Discussion and Approval of the 2016-2017 School Calendar

Motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Strawn, to approve the following 2016-2017 school calendar

August

Monday, August 15, 2016, Teacher Institute (no school for students)

Tuesday, August 16, 2016, Teacher Institute (no school for students)

Wednesday, August 17, 2016, First Day of Student Attendance (full day)

September

Monday, September 5, 2016 – Labor Day, No School

Friday, September 23, 2016, 11:30 student dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day (MTHS Homecoming)

October

Monday, October 10, 2016 – Columbus Day, No School

Thursday, October 27, 2016, Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school for students)

Friday, October 28, 2016, Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school for students)

November

Friday, November 11, 2016, Veterans' Day – student attendance day with focused recognition of Veterans

Wednesday, November 23, 2016, Teacher Institute (no school for students)

Thursday, November 24, 2016, Thanksgiving Day/Break

Monday, November 28, 2016, Return from Thanksgiving Break

December

Tuesday, December 20, 2016, 11:30 student dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day - *last day of school before Christmas Break

Wednesday, December 21, 2016 – Tuesday, January 3, 2017, Christmas Break

January

Wednesday, January 4, 2017, Return from Christmas Break

Friday, January 13, 2017, 11:30 dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day

Monday, January 16, 2017 – MLK Day (no school for students)

February

Friday, February 17, 2017, 11:30 dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day

Monday, February 20, 2017 – Presidents' Day (no school for students)

March

Friday, March 17, 2017, 11:30 dismissal/12 day School Improvement Day (MGS Carnival Weekend)

Friday, March 24, 2017, Last Day of Student Attendance before Spring Break

Saturday, March 25, 2017 – Sunday, April 2, 2017, Spring Break

April

Monday, April 3, 2017, Return from Spring Break

Friday, April 14, 2017, Good Friday (no school for students)

Monday, April 17, 2017, Monday after Easter (no school for students)

May

Tuesday, May 23, 2017, Teacher Institute (no school for students) – using No Snow Days

Wednesday, May 24, 2017, 11:30 dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day – using No Snow Days

**This would be the last day of school if we were to use No Snow Days

Wednesday, May 31, 2017, Teacher Institute (no school for students) – using all 5 Snow Days

June

Thursday, June 1, 2017, 11:30 dismissal/1/2 day School Improvement Day – using All 5 Snow Days

**This would be the last day of school if we were to use All 5 Snow Days

All members voted yea on a roll call vote.

C. Discussion and Approval of a Request from the Sun Foundation for the use of a Metamora Grade School Bus and Driver for the Annual Summer Program

Mr. Payne shared that the Sun Foundation pays for all aspects of the transportation, and that we are covered with our insurance.

Motion by Mr. Blundell, seconded by Mr. Strawn, to approve the request as presented.

All members voted yea on a roll call vote.

Discussion Items

A. Board of Education Retreat

The retreat is scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office.

Action was not required for this agenda item.

Information Items

A. Committee Reports

1. Building Committee – the building committee had a meeting and interviewed four potential architectural firms for the district
2. Education Committee
3. Executive Committee
4. Finance Committee
5. Negotiations Committees
6. Policy Committee
7. Transportation Committee
8. Alternative Revenue Committee

Action was not required for this agenda item

B. Administrative Reports

Action was not required for this agenda item

Acknowledgement of Cards and Letters

Action was not required for this agenda item

Executive Session for the Purpose of Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, Dismissal, or Performance of Employees, and for the Purpose of Collective Negotiation Matters between the Public Body and its Employees

Motion by Mrs. Sikkema (at 7:17 p.m.), seconded by Mr. Blundell, to enter into Executive Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Motion by Mr. Blundell (at 7:43 p.m.), seconded by Mrs. Sikkema to adjourn the Executive Session meeting and return to Open Session. All present voted yea on a roll call vote.

Action Taken after Executive Session

Motion by Mrs. Sikkema, seconded by Mr. Strawn, to approve the resignation from custodian Tom Day for the purpose of retirement. All members of the Board voted yea on the motion.

Motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mrs. Sikkema, to approve the resignation from cafeteria worker Jill Wegstein. All members voted yea on a roll call vote.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Edwards, (at 7:46 p.m.), seconded by Mrs. Sikkema to adjourn the February 18, 2016 meeting of the Board of Education. All present voted yea on a voice vote.

Bob Fisher
President

Jeff Wernsman
Secretary