

April 19, 2017
Montezuma, IA

The Board of Directors of the Montezuma Community School District met on the above date at the Schoolhouse in the Elementary Library, with the following board members present: Pete Ross, Vince Johnson, Jason Meyer, Cori Henkle, Stacie Cameron.

President Pete Ross called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Jason Meyer and properly seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented: the agenda; minutes of the board meeting of March 15, 2017 and the food service reports for the month of March 2017; and bills to be paid by the business manager (see attached lists). Motion carried 5-0.

GOOD NEWS

Superintendent Versteeg wanted to recognize each of the board members and thanked for their service to Montezuma Schools.

The FFA had several top winners at the state convention this past week.

WELCOME VISITORS

President Ross welcomed all visitors and thanked them for taking time to attend the meeting. The board heard comments from a parent regarding the 3rd grade staffing.

President Ross wanted to thank Lynnville-Sully Superintendent Shane Ehresman and Business Manager Karla DeCook for taking time to attend the meeting and introduce themselves to our board. Karla DeCook will be shared with Lynnville-Sully and Montezuma for the upcoming 2017-18 school year. This position will be through the operational sharing agreement.

Presentations

Heard presentations from HS Student Counsel sponsor Ms. Earlene Taylor and Tyler Meyer. They talked about getting a memorial garden set up to commemorate those that have passed away. It is still in the early stages and they will present more on this at a later date.

Derek Schulte was present to update the board on Teacher Leadership. Reviewed the year and looked to see what was successful and what needed work through self-reflection, administration feedback and peer feedback. Mr. Schulte indicated that from the feedback he received that one of the comments was that our TL System made it possible for teachers to work together to share ideas and provide better instruction to our students.

Principal Jones presented and was excited to share that our students who participated in the Battle of the Books received 1st out of 36 teams. Colton Benson, Mia Boulton, Owen Cook, Kallie Robison, Kaya Latcham, Garrett Watts and Mrs. Semprini. The new playground equipment is a big success. Iowa Assessment results are in and look great. Kindergarten round up parent meeting was held April 12.

Principal Moretz updated the board on several items and wanted to congratulate the FFA Program with the many successes they had at the State FFA Convention this past week. We had FOUR State Champions. Ag Business, Ag Sales, Radio Broadcasting, and Experience the Action. Runner-up was the 8th Grade Ag Impact team and 3rd Place went to our 7th Grade Ag CSI team. ALL received GOLD ratings and were on the stage to represent Montezuma. Great Job to Mr. Swenson and Mrs. Schanbacher!

He wanted to also recognize those students who participated in the Battle of the books as well. They were 7th out of 40 teams. Those students were Haley Roorda, Brayden Stockman, Lexi Ferneau and Haylie Moore. Thank you to Mrs. Semprini. Mr. Moretz indicated that our students continue to show how talented

they are here at Montezuma and that the Variety Show was another “wow” statement. Senior Awards day will be May 11th at 9:30AM with the Seniors last day being May 10.

Old Business

None

New Business

It was moved by Vince Johnson and properly seconded to move to have one section of 3rd grade for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Jason Meyer and properly seconded to approve the agreement and addendum with Timberline Billing Service for the term of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Staff Resignations

None

Staff Appointments

None

Reports-

Business Manager-

Board Secretary-

Superintendent-

1. Legislative Update
2. Meeting Evaluation Form

Discussion

CLOSED SESSION FOR NEGOTIATIONS.

At 7:27 pm it was motioned by Cori Henkle and properly seconded that the board enter into closed session to discuss negotiations. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

No further business appearing before the board, the meeting was on proper motion adjourned at 9:21pm

Board President

Board Secretary