

February 22, 2024
Montezuma, IA

The Board of Directors of the Montezuma Community School District met on the above date at the Schoolhouse in the School Auditorium, with the following board members present: Cori Henkle, Sara Erselius, Nichole Bushong, Joel Kercheval. Jason Meyer was absent. Others present were Superintendent Schulte, Principal O'Rourke, Kyle Cook.

Vice President Cori Henkle called the meeting to order at 5:33PM

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and properly seconded Sara Erselius to approve the consent agenda as presented; the agenda; minutes of the board meeting of January 17, 2024, invoices and fund balance report for January 17, 2024. Motion carried 4-0.

GOOD NEWS

Mr. Schulte shared the good news of the girls making a trip to the state basketball tournament. Very proud of the effort and determination to come back and get the job done. Thank you to all who made the trip over to Norwalk to support the Bravettes.

WELCOME VISITORS

Vice President Henkle welcomed visitors and thanked them for taking time to attend the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

February newsletter presented by Derrick Dengler and Josh Anderson

Mr. O'Rourke updated the board on assessment data; spoke of the work that Dean is doing with Lunch Bunch with students; shared that Iowa Assessments are moved up to March, rather than April which will allow us to get results back sooner and plan accordingly; talked of bringing a trades fair to the building for grades 9-11 to expose the students to opportunities; discussed scheduling and staffing. Mr. O'Rourke also shared the great success we had this winter in boy's basketball, Brett Plants wrestling at state and now the girls making a run to the state tournament.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Sara Erselius and properly seconded by Joel Kercheval to approve the 2nd reading of board policies 404-409. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and properly seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the following calendar adjustment this year:

- We will not have school on Wednesday, February 28 to allow for students, staff and families to travel to support the girls' basketball team at the state tournament.
- We will have school on April 15 to make up part of this time. On April 15 we will have an early out at 1:20 PM to allow for a meeting with teachers in the afternoon.
- We will extend the school day by 15 minutes starting March 11. This will give us the additional hours we need to make up for weather-related delays and closings. Motion carried 4-0.

PERSONNEL

Staff Resignations

It was moved by Sara Erselius and properly seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the following resignations as presented: Motion carried 4-0.

- Tim Burgess - Assistant FB Coach
- Janel Burgess - JH Softball Coach
- Rylee McAlexander - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach
- Abby Herring - Secondary English Language Arts Teacher

Staff Appointments

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and properly seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the following appointments as presented: Motion carried 4-0.

- Olivia Smith/Autumn Fiebelkorn - Co-Coaches JH softball.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and properly seconded by Nichole Bushong to extend the posting for Head Varsity Volleyball Coach: Motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

Business Office

Superintendent

Legislative updates - Mr. Schulte

Calendar updates

DISCUSSION

Facility wisdom group meeting input.

ADJOURNMENT

No other business appearing before the board, the meeting was on proper motion adjourned at 7:33 PM.


Jason Meyer, Board President


MJ Sheets, Board Secretary