

October 21, 2020
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: Al Rabenold, Sara Erselius, Cori Henkle, Jason Meyer, Stacie Cameron joined via zoom.

Vice President Jason Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented; the agenda; minutes of the board meeting of September 16, 2020, September 2020 invoices and fund balance report for September 2020. Motion carried 5-0.

GOOD NEWS

Superintendent Wood wanted to commend all the student Involvement in school activities. It is a good example of why there is so much success here at Montezuma. He also wanted to thank the staff modeling social distancing and wearing masks when that cannot happen the first 9 weeks of school.

WELCOME VISITORS

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

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Hanna updated the board on FAST testing results, remote learning update and that teachers are still finding time to get to those kids. Conferences will be held virtually this fall with zoom conferences. We will have other options if zoom is not available.

Mr. Hoffman talked about social distancing and the plans that are in place to keep kids safe here in school. We have had a record number of students elected to the honor society at Iowa Valley Community College. He also wanted to mention that the girls cross country team won back to back conference titles for the first time in school history. School play will be held November 7, November 14, 15 beginning at 7pm. The PD day will be October 30.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to approve the first reading of policies 700-705.7. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Sara Erselius and properly seconded to approve the first reading of policy 509. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Al Rabenold and properly seconded to approve the contract to Keota for a shared Librarian. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to approve the open lunch handbook amendment Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to maintain the current highly recommended mask policy for all students and staff during the school day. The board authorizes the administrators the authority to mandate masks as deemed necessary for school events. Motion carried 5-0

It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to approve that The Montezuma School District request allowable growth and supplemental aid for a negative special education balance, to be calculated by the Department of Management after all special education balances have been finalized. Motion carried 5-0.

PERSONNEL

Staff Resignations

It was moved by Al Rabenold and properly seconded to approve the resignation of Katie Dunlap as Varsity Volleyball Head Coach. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Al Rabenold and properly seconded to approve the resignation of Lukas Steenhoek as Boys Head Track Coach and JH Football Coach. Motion carried 5-0.

Staff Appointments

Diane Singleton – It was moved by Al Rabenold and properly seconded to approve the stipend for \$1000 for the fall play. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Business Office

Business Manager/Board Secretary

- Update on FEMA Grant

Superintendent

- Instructional Support Levy
- Enrollment Update
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Inclement Weather Virtual Day
- Successes

DISCUSSION

Annual Meeting for next month

Talking Points –

- Leadership
- Test Scores
- Staff adapting to all the changes this year.

CLOSED SESSION FOR EVALUATION OF SUPERINTENDENT


It was moved by Cori Henkle and properly seconded to enter into CLOSED SESSION at 8:35PM for Superintendent Evaluation for Iowa Code 21.5(I)(i). Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Al Rabenold and properly seconded to come out of CLOSED SESSION at 9:07PM

ADJOURNMENT

No other business appearing before the board, the meeting was on proper motion adjourned at 9:07PM.


Board President


Board Secretary