

January 18, 2012
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 in attendance: Pete Ross, Steve Audas, Doug Johnston, Vince Johnson, and Stacie Cameron.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Stacie Cameron and properly seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented: the agenda; minutes of the board meeting of December 21, 2011; fund balance and food service reports for the month of December 2011; and bills to be paid by the secretary (see attached lists). Motion carried 5-0.

GOOD NEWS

We are halfway through the school year, with the semester ending last week.

WELCOME VISITORS

President Ross welcomed all visitors and thanked them for taking time to attend the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Shannon Arment, preschool teacher, presented on the GOLD Assessment they use in assessing each preschool student. Each week, Shannon and her para-professionals review each student in nine different areas. This information is used for evaluating students in preparation for kindergarten.

Shannon McNaull, GALAXY (after-school program) coordinator, reported on their after school program. The beginning of the year was slow in student attendance, but numbers have picked up recently. They are currently looking at areas to find their own building. A presentation was made regarding some land on the school property to possibly build in the future.

Principal Jones presented on the Elementary activities. January 13 in-service was utilized well by all elementary staff members. MAP testing will be next week Tuesday & Thursday. The preschool corrective action plan has been completed and implemented. ITBS results will hopefully be back by February 1. Success plan meetings continue to be a positive experience.

Principal Moretz presented on the Secondary activities. Second semester is off to a great start, thank you to Mr. Gallagher for his hard work in scheduling. May 10 is the last day of school for the senior class, with graduation on May 13. Dates were changed because of the site visit. Incentives were offered to the secondary students if their ITBS scores increase.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Steve Audas and properly seconded to approve participating in the Poweshiek County Hazard Plan, giving Montezuma Schools access to FEMA training and possible grant funds. Motion carried 5-0.

PERSONNEL

Staff Resignations

None.

Staff Appointments

It was moved by Doug Johnston and properly seconded to approve the staff appointments of George Salnave, spring 2012 volunteer golf coach and Josh Anderson, spring 2012 JH girls track coach; to approve the amendment of the contract of Director of Food Service to \$20,025 for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year; and to approve the job description for technology coordinator. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Board Secretary

W-2's and 1099's have been created and handed out. Our At-Risk Allowable Growth application has been approved.

Superintendent Versteeg

Superintendent Versteeg discussed the upcoming School Board In-Service, a potential board forum, and board learning. Superintendent Versteeg also informed the board that quotes have been received to install magnet stops on interior doors that will be connected to the fire alarm system.

BOARD DISCUSSION

The members of the board discussed specifics on the Governor's Education Reform.

CLOSED SESSION FOR EVALUATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

It was moved by Vince Johnson and properly seconded to move into closed session at 8:28PM for regularly scheduled evaluation of the superintendent.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business appearing before the board, the meeting was on proper motion adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Board President

Board Secretary