

1. Call to Order-The Board of Directors of the Mediapolis Community School District met in regular session in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. Present were Brad Coates, Toni Coates, Toby Gordon, Carrie Lippert, Richard Whitaker and John Witte along with Superintendent Greg Ray. Steve Nelson was absent. President Gordon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Also present were: Ed Arnold, Transportation Director, John Kerr, Curriculum Director, and Amanda Delperdang, Mediapolis News.

2. Public Comments, Commendations-

There were no public comments

Commendations:

- Zach Moehle and Liz Zippe for being selected as project finalists in the "Know Your Constitution" contest

~Thank You: MTC Technologies for increasing the school district's internet speed from 40 MB download, 20 MB upload to 75 MB download, 35 MB upload at no additional cost

3. Approval of Commendations and Thank You-

The commendation and thank you were reviewed.

Motion: Lippert (seconded by B. Coates)

I move to approve the commendation and thank you as presented.

The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Agenda and Consent Items-

The agenda and consent items were reviewed.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Whitaker)

I move to approve the agenda and consent items as presented.

The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Board Reports-

None.

6. Superintendent's Report-

Supt Ray reviewed the Mediapolis Recruiting and Hiring Procedures handout. There was discussion.

Supt Ray discussed the letter from Brad Buck, Dept of Ed Director, concerning no automatic school start date waivers starting with the 2015-16 school year. The Board discussed what implications this would have on Mediapolis School District and reviewed the calendar handouts. Supt Ray noted that this new rule would result in the district starting school about 5 days later in the fall.

For Informational Purposes:

Open Enrollment In for 2014-15: Ben Wolter (3rd), Josie Wolter (6th) and Damien Royer (3rd) all from Burlington and met good cause

7. Administrators' Reports-

The administrators' reports were reviewed. Curriculum Director John Kerr spoke positively about the robotics competition that MCSD had hosted the previous week.

8. Personnel-

The personnel items were reviewed.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Witte)

I move to approve Item 8.01 Resignation-Amanda Kalina, Assistant MS Volleyball Coach, and Item 8.02 Resignation-Amanda Kalina, Assistant MS Girls Basketball Coach.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The letter of understanding for Dave Fowler (substitute Ag Instructor) to assist with FFA duties was reviewed. It was noted that the beginning and ending dates will be three days later on the issued letter of understanding due to snow days.

There was brief discussion.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Witte)

I move to approve the letter of understanding for Dave Fowler (substitute Ag Instructor) to assist with FFA duties for 8 weeks, with amended dates (three days later due to snow days).

The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Old Business-

The bus bid was reviewed.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Whitaker)

I move to approve the Thomas 2016 bus bid for \$74,013 (includes \$14,250 for trade allowance), as presented.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The 2015-16 Modified Supplemental Amount Application for Dropout Prevention was reviewed.

Motion: T. Coates (seconded by B. Coates)

I move to approve the 2015-16 Modified Supplemental Amount Application for Dropout Prevention, with a Modified Allowable Growth request of \$145,414.

There was discussion.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Whitaker)

I move to approve Board Policy No. 501.10, Student Transfer Into and Out of District, at its second reading.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The RDM LLC TIF extension request resolution was reviewed. There was discussion and questions from the Board, especially concerning where the property is located. The Board asked if someone from RDM could attend a Board meeting to answer questions concerning the request.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Whitaker)

I move to approve the RDM LLC TIF resolution as presented.

Ayes: B. Coates, Witte

Nays: T. Coates, Lippert, Whitaker

The motion was not approved.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by Whitaker)

I move to approve the Non-Resident Student Placement Contract-Special Education Instruction Program 2014-15 School Year with New London School District.

The motion was approved unanimously.

10. New Business-

The Board policies were considered reviewed at their first readings.

Motion: B. Coates (seconded by T. Coates)

I move to approve the two contracts with Lynch Dallas for negotiations (certified and non-certified employees), as presented.

The contracts were reviewed.

The motion was approved unanimously.

11. Items for Future Meetings-Reviewed. The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 9, 2015.

12. Adjournment-There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Board President ~

Board Secretary

