

Meridian Community Board Minutes  
August 24, 2006  
7:00 P.M.

Minutes of a Regular School Board Meeting of August 10, 2006

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Meridian Community Unit School District #223 was called to order by Vice President Barb Reeverts on August 10, 2006 at 7:05 p.m. in the Meridian District Board of Education Room located in the Meridian Junior High School. Members present: Glendenning, Jagielski, Janes, and Larson. Superintendent Prusator and Principals Coulahan, Davidson and Zurko were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Reeverts, seconded by Jagielski, to approve the consent agenda including: the minutes of the July 20, 2006 regular school board meeting; payroll of August 18, 2006; and accounts payable for August 2006 per review by Mrs. Bonne. Ayes: Jagielski, Janes, Larson and Reeverts. Abstain: Glendenning. Motion carried.

Mr. Prusator reviewed the August 16<sup>th</sup> and August 17<sup>th</sup> Teacher Institute Agendas. Mr. Prusator handed out and reviewed preliminary school enrollment by grade level numbers as of today. He stated the numbers would not be finalized until after the start of the school year.

Mr. Coulahan reported that Highland is working on entering all students into the Skyward program. It is a busy time at Highland, but everything is going OK. He also reported that about \$6,000.00 profit was made on the Foundation Drawdown.

Mr. Zurko reported that Monroe Center is off to a great start. The building is looking great physically. Staffing and class size is OK. He will be finishing up with hires tomorrow. Mr. Zurko stated he had keys made for the teachers for safety reasons. He feels everything at Monroe Center is going well.

Mr. Davidson reported that 6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation was held this past Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. At the orientation, Mr. Davidson discussed many of the differences between the Junior High and Monroe Center Schools, as well as, the expectations of the Junior High. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade staff was present to help show parents around and help students with locks. Mr. Davidson reported that the Junior High has the largest number of students ever this year.

There was no report from the high school.

There were no Notices and Communications.

There was no Community Input.

Mr. Prusator reported that the district's attorney had not been able to thoroughly review the bus driver handbook; and therefore, suggested to hold the board approval until the next board meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Prusator reviewed the utilization of a Procurement Card (p-Card) for district purchases. Discussion followed. Mr. Prusator stated that this would require a board resolution. He wants board members to look over the information for the next board meeting for a possible recommendation at the August 24, 2006 board meeting.

Mr. Prusator handed out and reviewed the proposed FY07 budget. Discussion followed. The budget will be placed on display for 30 days in the district office with final adoption at the Thursday, September 21, 2006 regularly scheduled board meeting.

Under Board Comments, Mr. Jagielski asked Mr. Davidson if there were any further developments with the heat problem in the band room. He also asked how many students were signed up for sixth grade band. Mrs. Reeverts asked about postponing the TAG meeting scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Glendenning, seconded by Jagielski, to adjourn to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the district and the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. Ayes: Jagielski, Janes, Larson, Reeverts and Glendenning. Motion carried unanimously. Time: 7:54 p.m.

A motion was made by Janes, seconded by Larson, to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously. Time: 9:16 p.m.

A motion was made by Larson, seconded by Reeverts, to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2006 executive session. Ayes: Larson, Reeverts, Glendenning, Jagielski and Janes. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Larson, seconded by Jagielski, to accept the resignations of the following: Dale Pohl, transportation director; Brianne Bennett, Highland 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher; Gary Larson, SVHS lunch cashier; and Jodi Peters, Highland noon supervisor. Ayes: Glendenning, Jagielski, Janes, Larson and Reeverts. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Janes, seconded by Larson, to hire the following: Katrina Sturtevant, district permanent substitute teacher and head varsity volleyball coach; Sarah Lindwall, Highland .67 kindergarten (replaces Martinez who transferred to 1<sup>st</sup> grade); Peter Reilly, Highland first grade teacher (replacing Tourdot); and Pam Wise, Monroe Center Library Aide (replacing Gile). Ayes: Jagielski, Janes, Larson, Glendenning and Reeverts. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Larson, seconded by Jagielski, to approve the update to administrator compensation for 2006-2007. Ayes: Janes, Larson, Glendenning, Jagielski, and Reeverts. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Janes, seconded by Glendenning, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Fruin, Secretary