

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of January 8, 2009

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Meridian Community Unit School District #223 was called to order by President Ron Steenken at 7:00 p.m. in the Meridian District Board of Education Room located in the Meridian Junior High School. Members present: Jagielski, King, Larson and Reeverts. Superintendent Prusator was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Jagielski, seconded by King, to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the December 18, 2008 board meeting; payroll of January 9, 2009; accounts payable for January 2009 in the amount of \$211,760.18 per review by Mr. Jagielski; Intergovernmental Agreement with Julia Hull Library District; and IASB Policy Customization Contract. Ayes: Jagielski, King, Larson, Reeverts and Steenken. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

5.1 2009 School Board Election Update

Mr. Prusator reviewed the timeline and process for the 2009 School Board Election which is scheduled for April 7, 2009. The first day to file petitions is Tuesday, January 20, 2009. The last day to file petitions is Monday, January 26, 2009.

5.2 Mid-Year 2008-2009 District Enrollment Update

Mr. Prusator reviewed a mid-year district enrollment report. Mr. Prusator reported that the total district enrollment decreased by 23 students to 1,970. Enrollment numbers will continue to be monitored for facility planning.

5.3 Special Board Meeting Scheduled for Saturday, February 7, 2009 to continue review of School Board Self-Evaluation

Mr. Prusator reviewed the date and times of the special board meeting to continue the review of the school board self-evaluation. The special board meeting will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at the Meridian Junior High Board Room.

Notices and Communications

There were no Notices and Communications.

Community Input

Janice Bathje addressed the Board regarding the time of the 8th grade graduation ceremony. She commented that it is a hardship for some parents who want to attend and must take the day off without pay. She asked the Board to consider changing the graduation ceremony to the evening.

Mr. Glendenning arrived at 7:20 p.m.

Old Business

8.1 Review/place on display Board Policy, Section 2 – School Board

The Board made a final review of the policy and the recommended changes. It is expected that the Board will adopt Section 2 at the next board meeting in January or the first board meeting in February.

8.2 Approve SVHS 2009-2010 Course Guide

The Board made a final review of the SVHS new courses and revisions to existing courses for 2009-2010.

Motion:

A motion was made by Larson, seconded by King, to approve the SVHS course book additions and revisions as presented. Ayes: Jagielski, King, Larson, Reeverts, Glendenning and Steenken. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

There was no New Business.

Board Comments

Mrs. Reeverts commented that she enjoyed Stephanie Haugh's presentation on the Konnection for Kids Elementary Counseling Grant at the last board meeting. She also asked about the status of the OCEC.

Adjourn to Executive Session

There was no closed session at this meeting.

Adjourn

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

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Fruin, Secretary