

MORAVIA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board of Directors Meeting

13 November 2017

5:00 p.m.

Moravia High School Library

Minutes

Board President Chris Spencer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Roll call; **Andy DeJong-present, John Baty-present, Chris Spencer-present, Heather Maletta-present, Steve Smith-present.** Also present were Superintendent Brad Breon, High School Principal Kathy Carr, Elementary Principal Kay Singley, Business Manager/Board Secretary Christina Bickel, and interested members of the public.

Motion by Maletta, second by DeJong, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Baty, second by Maletta, to approve minutes of previous board meeting held 10/9/17. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Smith, second by Baty, to approve payment of Activity Fund bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DeJong, second by Maletta, to approve payment of all other bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Maletta, second by Smith, to approve additional board bills: **General Fund** – West Music \$260.80; Kay Singley \$23.40; Agriland FS \$3,306.24; GPAEA \$611; BugPro \$120. **Activity Fund** – Brad Breon \$45.85; Power Graphic \$158.75; Spencer’s Grocery \$155.81. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Maletta, second by Baty, to approve payroll wages totaling \$201,514.53 and board benefits paid to IPERS \$17,719.30, Medicare \$2,734.35, Social Security \$11,691.58, Principal Dental \$779.92, Principal Life AD&D \$195.38, and United Health Care \$41,197.05 for October 2017 payroll. Motion carried 5-0.

Business Manager/Treasurer Financial Report and Activity Report for month ending 10/31/17 were received.

President Spencer welcomed visitors to the meeting.

A concerned citizen voiced his concerns over some issues in the Vocational Agriculture program.

Marcia Benjamin wanted to publicly thank several staff members on their actions during an auto accident after a recent football game.

Board Discussion

- The board praised the football team for making the play-offs.
- Spencer commended the music department on the excellent Veteran’s Day assembly.
- Spencer recommends utilizing the video board in the new gym for all sporting seasons.

Administration Discussion

- Mr. Breon provided open enrollment history dating back to 2009-2010, as well as the current breakdown between students open enrolled in and out, by district. There are a total of 69 students open enrolled IN to the district, while 82 are open enrolled OUT of the district. The board also received current certified enrollment numbers as well as supplementary weighting numbers.
- Mr. Breon provided the board with a history of property insurance premiums.
- Mrs. Carr reports students were wonderful during the Veteran's Day assembly; FFA fruit sales have wrapped up; Cory Greenwood assembly was great; Fall Sports Banquet was well attended; they are still looking for a date to hold the Fine Arts Banquet in the spring; discussed prioritizing school activities when there are conflicts.
- Mrs. Singley reports training has been completed for FAST Bridge; the youth enjoyed the patriotic unit with Mr. Richardson leading up to the Veteran's Day assembly; 60 students and family members attended family reading night.

SCHOOL OF CHOICE: None

CSIAC Update: Next meeting to be held November 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Open Enrollments: One open enrollment was received. No action necessary as the application meets state guidelines.

BUILDING NEEDS

Carpet tiles for new office entrance was received from Capital Sanitary Supply. Motion by Baty, second by Maletta, to approve carpet tile bid from Capital Sanitary Supply in the amount of \$3,355.56. Motion carried 5-0.

Representatives from Capital Sanitary Supply presented information about Clorox Total 360 System; an electrostatic spray technology. The new technology enables superior coverage of disinfectants and sanitizers to clean hard to reach places. The system is a proven powerful tool to help stop the spread of infection. No action was taken.

Discussion held regarding the foreign language waiver for Spanish IV for the 2017-18 school year. The waiver is necessary when the district offers Spanish IV but no students are enrolled. Motion by Smith, second by DeJong, to approve the foreign language waiver for 2017-18. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion held regarding the current early retirement policy. Mr. Breon provided a copy of the policy, along with employees who are eligible under the current guidelines. Mr. Breon asked the board to review the policy to consider how many employees to allow to retire early, the number of years of service needed to qualify, and whether or not to open the policy up to non-certified employees. The board will bring recommendations to discuss at the December board meeting.

The board was provided a copy of the non-certified contract agreed upon last spring for the current school year. Since the non-certified did not vote to recertify, the contract is null and void. Mr. Breon recommended the board approve to honor the contract as a working agreement for the school year. Motion by Baty, second by Maletta, to approve the non-certified agreement continuing through June 30, 2018. Motion carried 5-0.

10 minute break @ 6:24 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

Discussed SBRC Allowable Growth for increased enrollment and open enrollment. Motion by Maletta, second by Baty, to approve Allowable Growth in the amount of \$107,796. Roll call vote: Smith-aye; Baty-aye; DeJong-aye; Spencer-aye; Maletta-aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussed first reading of board policy series 500 (with the addition of cameras on school buses). Motion by Maletta, second by Smith, to approve the first reading of board policy series 500. Motion carried 5-0.

Resignations: Secondary Instructor/FFA Sponsor

Motion by Maletta, second by Baty, to approve the resignation of Tara Powers as secondary instructor and FFA sponsor. Motion carried 5-0.

Contract recommendations: Secondary Instructor/FFA Sponsor, Volunteer Coach

Motion by Maletta, second by Baty, to approve Andrew Sauer as secondary instructor (*to include a \$1000 moving stipend*) and FFA sponsor. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Smith, second by Maletta, to approve Bob Gray as volunteer assistant high school boys' basketball coach. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Baty, second by Maletta, to approve Matt Messamaker as volunteer assistant wrestling coach. Motion carried 5-0.

Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving break – November 22-24; CSIAC meeting – November 27; Elementary Christmas Program – December 7; Secondary Christmas Program – December 18.

Items for next board meeting: 2nd reading of board policy series 500; Early Retirement; Summer Project List; Ag Open House

Next Regular Board Meeting on Monday, December 11 @ 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Maletta, second by DeJong, to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.