

West Bend – Mallard Community School  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, April 20, 2021  
West Bend Administration Board Room

## Minutes

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm by President John Zaugg. The following members were present; Dave Bruellman, Jillian Hansen (by phone), Chris Montag, Nicole Myer, Lisa Traub, and Dawn Schmidt.

Visitors: Superintendent Amanda Schmidt, Principal Paul Peppmeier, Principal Brian Rodemeyer, Board Secretary Crystal Eggers, and Tori Fogarty.

### Educational News:

Elementary News – Brian Rodemeyer reported that the Elementary started their ISASP testing on Monday. Things are going well. The assessments will look a little different this year since we did not test last year. Still interviewing for the Kindergarten position. There is not as many applicants this year. May will have several field trips for the elementary students to finish off the school year. The elementary track meet is scheduled for Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Rodemeyer has been looking into adding a basketball court outside by the playground for the kids.

MS/HS News – Paul Peppmeier reported that the middle school and high school students will be done with ISASP testing this week. Staff had to be specially trained this year for testing. This Friday several high school students are taking art projects to an art show in Algona. Lots of awesome projects being showcased by our students. Next Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> is prom. Grand March is open to the public and starts at 7:00 pm. After prom will be at Fort Frenzy in Fort Dodge this year. Graduation will be here in less than four weeks. The school will be live streaming these events coming up. Mr. Peppmeier wanted to thank Mrs. Schmidt and Mr. Rodemeyer for all their help while he was out.

Superintendent News – Amanda Schmidt reported to the board that the Early Childhood classes for next year would be: 3 year old Preschool, 4 year old Preschool, PreK, and one class of Kindergarten. Discussion has been held about combining the PreK and Kindergarten classes and have two Kindergarten classes. Terry Ahlers came up and looked at the space in the Methodist Church to potentially hold our 3 year old Preschool. The school is still waiting on a response from Ahlers in regards to the space. If it is not possible to hold the 3 year old Preschool at the Methodist Church then we will rearrange some classrooms and hold 3 year old Preschool in the main school building. Superintendent Schmidt informed the board that Palo Alto County has decided to continue the mask mandate until the end of the school year. The school will be receiving over \$600,000 in COVID money. So far the school is purchasing a new dishwasher and looking into a new air handling system. Superintendent Schmidt told the board that the trap

shoot team would like to use a school vehicle to go to meets. The board is ok with them using the vehicle for this activity.

District News:

It was moved by Chris Montag to approve the agenda. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dawn Schmidt to approve the minutes and warrants. Seconded by Nicole Myer. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Nicole Myer to approve the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Dawn Schmidt. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Chris Montag to approve the Class of 2021 pending completion of all requirements. Seconded by Lisa Traub. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Nicole Myer to approve the FY20 Audit. Seconded by Jillian Hansen. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dave Bruellman to approve the AEA Purchasing Agreement for 2021-2022. Seconded by Lisa Traub. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Chris Montag to approve the Open Enrollments for the 2021-2022 school year. Seconded by Dawn Schmidt. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

There were no new fundraisers to approve.

It was moved by Dave Bruellman to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Board Policies 507.2, 507.5, & 507.8. Seconded by Chris Montag. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

First Reading of Board Policies 603.1, 603.2, & 603.3

It was moved by Dawn Schmidt to accept the resignation of Emma Fehr and Bonnie Frederiksen as Para Educator, Samantha Bruellman as Kindergarten Teacher, Drew Hansen as MS Boys Basketball Coach, Brendan Foughty as PE Instructor, Head Girls Basketball Coach, & Head Baseball Coach, and Ramona Westling as Music Instructor effective at the end of this school year. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Nicole Myer to offer a contract to Chelsea Kenyon as Preschool Teacher. Seconded by Jillian Hansen. All ayes with Lisa Traub abstaining, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Chris Montag to offer contracts to Emma Schmitz as K-12 Art Instructor, MS Girls & Boys Track, and BB Cheer Sponsor. Seconded by Lisa Traub. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Lisa Traub to offer contracts to Tyson Wirtz as Head Golf Coach, AM Weightlifting, & Summer Weightlifting. Seconded by Nicole Myer. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dawn Schmidt to offer a contract to Drew Hansen as Assistant Golf Coach. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jillian Hansen to offer a contract to Samantha Bruellman as part time TAG Instructor contingent upon obtaining certification. Seconded by Nicole Myer. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dave Bruellman to enter Exempt Session per Iowa Code 20.17(3) – Negotiations Strategy at 6:44 pm. Seconded by Chris Montag. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dawn Schmidt to exit Exempt Session per Iowa Code 20.17(3) – Negotiations Strategy at 8:45 pm. Seconded by Lisa Traub. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

At 8:46 pm it was moved by Dave Bruellman to adjourn.

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John Zaugg, President

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Crystal Eggers, Secretary