

**Minutes**  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**July 22, 2021**  
**7 p.m.**

The board of education of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School District met in regular session July 22, 2021 in the teachers lounge of the Meredosia-Chambersburg School. Vice President Alan Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Brian Werries, Alan Taylor, Madeline Buhlig, Jeff Browning and Scott Gregory. Members Brian Werries, Jason Morton and Kevin Duesterhaus were absent. Also present were Superintendent Thad Walker, Jr./Sr. High Principal Jeff Abell, Carolyn Browning, district bookkeeper.

Member Madeline Buhlig made a motion to approve the consent agendas after questions were answered. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. By unanimous vote motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

There was no public comment.

**Reports:**

**Superintendent/Grade School Principal's Report:**

- CPPRT – we have received a check for \$243,000 in July. Last years' check was \$119,000. Hopefully this is a trend that continues.
- The asbestos is done. They started installing ceiling tile grid on July 12<sup>th</sup> and should be finished the week of the 26<sup>th</sup> with lights and everything.
- We need to discuss our reopening plan for the fall. What are the boards thoughts on masks etc. It was discussed.
- Griggsville Volleyball co-op we will vote on at this meeting. They would go by the name Tornados. It will be a 2 year agreement and costs \$250 per child that wants to play.
- We have hired a Pre-K teacher Jayla Likes. This will be her first teaching job.
- The new scoreboard has been put up in the gym.
- They have started working on the new outfield fence.
- The custodians are doing a great job working around summer camp and construction. I cannot say enough about our maintenance, custodial staff and groundskeeper. They do a great job.
- Air conditioning project should also be completed by the time of the next meeting.
- We have hired a new grade school special education teacher Lilly Schwiderski. So we are fully staffed unlike a lot of schools at the moment.
- Kelly Street will be restriping the parking lot and we will be getting a price to seal the parking lot next year.
- Just like every other place materials are hard to come by. We are waiting on some materials and parking lot paint is also an issue. I will do my best to get everything completed before school starts.
- Masks will be mandatory for students and bus drivers to wear on the school buses. If there are no students on the bus the bus drivers won't have to wear masks.

**JH/HS Principal's Report:**

- Mr. Walker and I have been working on our back-to-school plan per the newly released guidelines.
- Summer camp (school) has been going very well. We are averaging around forty students per day. Carol Howard has been the coordinator and has done a great job.
- All of our high school credit recover students are done through Apex.
- Our IL-Empower Team will meet next week to work on our staff training schedule.
- Our custodians have been doing a great job with our summer maintenance cleaning.
- We are up to 272 Instagram followers
- I would like to have a "selfie station" set up for the first day of school this year.

Member Scott Gregory made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss litigation, land acquisition, negotiations, student disciplinary cases, and to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote 4-0. Member Jeff Browning made the motion to return from closed session and Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Board returned from closed session at 7:33 p.m.

Member Scott Gregory made a motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of IASB Press Plus 107. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Brian Werries, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Jason Morton, yea; Kevin Duesterhaus, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; and Jeff Browning, yea. By unanimous vote motion carried 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Member Jeff Browning made a motion to hire Jayla Likes as a Pre-K teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; and Scott Gregory, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas; 0 nays.

Member Scott Gregory made a motion to approve Griggsville, Perry, Meredosia High School girls volleyball co-op. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea and Alan Taylor, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas; 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made a motion to approve Thad Walker to develop and implement school budget. Member Scott Gregory seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Jeff Browning, yea; Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea and Madeline Buhlig, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas; 0 nays.

Member Jeff Browning made a motion to approve grade school secretary becoming a 12 month position. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Scott Gregory, yea; Alan Taylor, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea and Jeff Browning, yea. Motion carried 4 yeas; 0 nays.

Member Madeline Buhlig made a motion to hire Lilly Schwiderski as grade school special education teacher for 2021-2022 school year. Member Madeline Buhlig seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows: Alan Taylor, yea; Madeline Buhlig, yea; Jeff Browning, yea and Scott Gregory, year. Motion carried 4 yeas; 0 nays.

Member Scott Gregory made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Jeff Browning seconded the motion. By unanimous vote meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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President, Brian Werries

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Secretary, Jason Morton