

**Merrill Area Public Schools  
Regular Board of Education Meeting  
July 20, 2016 – Minutes**

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The meeting was called to order by President Jen Seliger at 5:38 PM in the Central Office Board Room.

Board members present: Nubs Ashbeck, Kevin Blake, Paul Proulx, John Shull and Jen Seliger. Board members absent: Eric Geiss, Jeremy Ratliff and Linda Yingling. Others Present: Dr. John Sample, Superintendent; Brian Dasher, Director of Finance; Cindy Heinz, Director of Human Resources; Keshia Mashak, Director of Technology Integration; Gerald Beyer, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Shannon Murray, High School Principal; Dale Bergman, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor; John Hagemester, BVA Administrator; 2 members of the staff and public; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

President Seliger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

During recognition, the Board recognized Lynn Kurth for returning to Sea on the Seafloor-Charting Survey in Alaska as part of the NOAA Teacher at Sea Program. This was Kurth's second voyage as a participant in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Teacher at Sea program. She previously sailed in 2014 and was selected to participate again this year through a special, alumni-only application process. Kurth spent 13 days working on the ship living the life of a scientist. Also recognized was outgoing board member, John Shull.

There were administrative reports shared with the Board including: the quarterly out-of-state travel report; quarterly summary of purchases between \$5,000-9,999 report; and, the superintendent's report, which included monthly activities, Design Team meeting update, Discovery Education update and EduClimber training update.

There were committee updates shared with the Board including Policy Committee; CESA 9 Board of Control; and, Jay Stadium update.

MOTION by Shull, second by Blake to approve the 2016-2017 Merrill Adult Diploma Academy (MADA) Charter School contract between MAPS Board of Education and the Governance Board of MADA as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Shull, second by Blake to approve the MADA calendar for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Shull, second by Proulx to approve the Lincoln County Health Services Contract for 2016-2017. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the District student academic standards that will be in effect for the 2016-2017 school year.

MOTION by Shull, second by Blake to approve the \$0.10 increase in lunch prices for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Ashbeck, second by Proulx to authorize the creation of a 1.0 FTE elementary teacher/ principal to support the increased enrollment of Bridges Virtual Academy. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Blake, second by Shull to change the January 18, 2017 regular board meeting date to the following week on January 25, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

President Seliger asked if anyone wanted to pull anything from the consent agenda, hearing none, she called for a motion.

MOTION by Shull, second by Blake to approve consent agenda items a through e, which included: the second readings of Policy 0144.3 Conflict of Interest; Policy 2131.01 Reading Instructional Goals and Kindergarten Assessment; Policy 2210 Curriculum Development; Policy 5460 Graduation Requirement; and, Policy 9270 Home-Based, Private, or Tribal Schooling; minutes of the June 13, 15, 16, 20 and 28, 2016 meetings; claims, vouchers and receipts totaling \$4,413,263.27The personnel report, which includes the hiring's of Nathan Hanson, Library Media/Tech Integration Specialist, effective August 23, 2016; Jordan Kratz, MHS Technology & Engineering Teacher, effective August 23, 2016; Robert Karl, MHS Technology & Engineering Teacher, effective August 23, 2016; Jennifer Berreth, Human Resources Assistant, effective July 25, 2016; Chase DeCleene, MHS Social Studies Teacher, effective August 23, 2016; Joselyn Janz, MHS Social Studies Teacher, effective August 23, 2016; Debra Blum, part-time special education aide at PRSYL, effective date to be determined; Matthew Juedes, special education aide at Kate Goodrich, effective August 30, 2016; and, Dr. John Sample, Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1, 2016; the transfers of EmmaLee Smith to Elementary Classroom Aide, effective August 30, 2016; Gerald Beyer to Director of Curriculum & Instruction, effective July 1, 2016; Ryan Martinovici to Middle School Principal, effective July 1, 2016; and, Gwen Schmidt to MHS 12-month secretary, effective date to be determined; the resignations of Sarah Zietlow, PRMS Literacy/Social Studies Teacher, effective July 9, 2016; and, Luke Heidtke, Merrill High School counselor; the retirement of Penelope Ourada, MHS 12-month secretary, effective date to be determined; and, the following donations: for the Lee Wardall Memorial Fund at Jefferson Elementary School: \$10.00 from Ryan & Chad Kottke; \$10.00 from Josie & Chris Olson; \$15.00 from Thomas & Mary Schmeltzer; \$20.00 from Beth Grefe; \$20.00 from John & Sandra Carlson; \$20.00 from Jamie Henrichs; \$20.00 from Chad & Heidi Schmitz (Evyn); \$20.00 from Jodi Golisch; \$20.00 from Thomas & Mary Ball; \$20.00 from John & Susan Palecek; \$20.00 from Jeff & Katie Dykhuis; \$20.00 from Michael & Elizabeth Krueger; \$25.00 from Jared & Jodi Semling; \$30.00 from Carrie Bezier; \$30.00 from Shawna Greunke; \$50.00 from Mary & Jake Walsh; \$100.00 from Matthew & September Murphy; \$25.00 from The Priebe Family; \$25.00 from MB & GJ Lyon; \$25.00 from Matt & Heather Hoock; \$25.00 from Daniel & Brenda Adamec; \$30.00 from Karla & Greg Tennant; \$30.00 from LaRee Johnson; \$3.00 from Matt & Tracy Kalenske; \$5.00 from Danielle & Logan Gibson; \$10.00 from Erica Riebe; \$10.00 from Jennifer Wimmer; \$10.00 from Rich Twomey; \$20.00 from Chris Hajdu; \$20.00 from Jennifer Kautz; \$20.00 from Chris Salter; \$25.00 from Alex Mulford; \$25.00 from Tom A. Grund, Sr.; \$48.00 from an anonymous donor; \$10.00 from Jeff & Joy Weber; \$10.00 from Carol Ellenbecker; \$25.00 from Claire LaValley; \$30.00 from Ashley & Jesse Boyd; \$30.00 from Karen Buntrock; and, \$200.00 from Jefferson PTO; classroom materials from Friends of Maple Grove valued at \$71.50 for Maple Grove School's expedition and end-of-year materials; gift certificates and cans of soup from the Friends of Maple Grove valued at \$124.00 for the pancake breakfast and expedition; transportation costs from the Friends of Maple Grove valued at \$501.18 for bussing to the School Forest and Jay Stadium; flowers from Cerny's Greenhouse valued at \$230.00 for enjoyment for Kate Goodrich's grade 2 after their tour of the facility relating to New Plants Foss Web Science Unit; cake and punch from Friends of Maple Grove valued at \$41.29 for Maple Grove School's kindergarten graduation; the following

donations for the Jay Stadium renovation project: funds from Mike Hull valued at \$30.00; a TV from Kyle Kubicek valued at \$4,500.00; a TV from Zachary Kubicek valued at \$4,500.00; the field logo from Linda Kautza valued at \$1,000.00; a bench from Jay Wicke valued at \$1,000.00; funds from Karen Dabbert valued at \$100.00; a bench from Sid Sukow valued at \$1,000.00; funds from Riverside Athletic club valued at \$100.00; funds from David Barney valued at \$100.00; funds from Gene Bondioli valued at \$100.00; and, funds from Park City Credit Union valued at \$1,000.00. MOTION carried unanimously.


There were no items added for future meetings from board members.

Radio Schedule: Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 8:15 a.m. at WJMT Radio Station.

#### Future Meetings

- Special Board Meeting - Board Candidate Interviews: Wednesday - July 27, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Facilities Committee Meeting: Wednesday - August 3, 2016 @ 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Finance/HR Committee Meeting: Wednesday - August 3, 2016 @ 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Special Board Meeting - Thursday - August 4, 2016 @ 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday - August 17, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room

MOTION by Shull, second by Blake to adjourn at 6:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

  
Kevin Blake 8-17-2016  
Clerk

Tammy Woller  
Recorder