

**Merrill Area Public Schools
Regular Board of Education Meeting
August 15, 2018 – Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Blake at 5:32 PM in the Central Office Board Room.

Board members present: Nubs Ashbeck, Eric Geiss, Paul Proulx, Jeremy Ratliff, Jon Smith, Maria Volpe, Brett Woller, Linda Yingling and Kevin Blake. Board members absent: None. Others Present: Dr. John Sample, Superintendent; Brian Dasher, Director of Finance; Karen Baker, Director of Special Education/Pupil Services; Dale Bergman, Director of Buildings & Grounds; Cindy Heinz, Director of Human Resources; Gerald Beyer, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Keshia Mashak, Director of Technology Integration; Shannon Murray, High School Principal; John Miller, Activities Director; six members of the staff and public; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

President Blake led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

During recognition, Hunter Wallace and Michael Casper were recognized for being selected to the All-State High School Golf team for Academics with High Honors. They were both able to maintain a 4.0 GPA along with competing twice a week or more in varsity golf meets. John Miller was also recognized by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) as a Certified Athletic Administrator. To earn this distinction, John has demonstrated the highest level of knowledge and expertise in the field of interscholastic athletic administration. The voluntary certification process included a thorough evaluation of the candidate's educational background, experience and professional contributions, as well as a rigorous, comprehensive written examination. The NIAAA is a national professional organization consisting of all 50 state athletic administrator associations and more than 10,000 individual members. It is dedicated to promoting the professional growth of high school athletic administrators and preserving the educational nature of interscholastic athletics and the place of these programs in the secondary school curriculum.

Administrative reports were shared with the Board including: the Student Resource Officer Report, District Services Survey Report, School Health Services End of the Year Report, Human Resources report, monthly budget update, technology update and the Superintendent's report.

Committee reports were shared with the Board from the Curriculum/Technology/Special Education, Legislative, Facilities, Jay Stadium and Finance/HR Committees.

The Board reviewed the 2018-2019 budget book draft.

MOTION by Smith, second by Ratliff to approve the Resolution Designating Public Depository and Authorizing Withdrawal of Municipality Monies. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Woller to approve the Lincoln County Health Department School Health Services Agreement for the 2018-2019 school year for Grades 4K-12 in the amount of \$100,400. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Ratliff to approve the Coaches Salary Schedule effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Ashbeck to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Merrill Area Public Schools and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northcentral Wisconsin for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Sample updated the Board on the Community Conversation outcomes.

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

MOTION by Smith, second by Ratliff to approve consent agenda items a through d, which includes minutes of the July 18, 2018, July 19, 2018 and August 8, 2018 meetings; claims, vouchers and receipts totaling \$4,578,722.15; the personnel report; and donations totaling \$1,035.00 Motion carried with Volpe abstaining from the July 19, 2018 and August 8, 2018 minutes; Yingling abstaining from the July 19, 2019 minutes; Proulx abstaining from the July 18, 2018 minutes; Woller abstaining from the July 18, 2018, July 19, 2018 and August 8, 2018 minutes; Ashbeck abstaining from the August 8, 2018 minutes; and, Ratliff abstaining from the July 19, 2018 minutes.

For Items for Future Meetings, Volpe asked about policy on lice and infectious diseases. This topic will go to the next Policy Committee Meeting.

The Board decision financial impact summary was shared with the Board.

Radio Schedule: Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 8:15 a.m. at Bluejay 730 Radio Station.

Future Meetings

- Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 @ 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Policy Committee Meeting: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Facilities Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 5, 2018 @ 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Finance/HR Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 5, 2018 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Annual Budget Hearing & District Meeting: Monday, September 17, 2018 @6:00 p.m. in the MHS Auditorium
- Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 @ 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 26, 2018 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room

MOTION by Ratliff, second by Geiss to adjourn at 6:22 p.m.



Nubs Ashbeck
Clerk

Tammy Woller
Recorder