

**Board of Education  
Meridian Public Schools  
District – 48-0303  
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338  
Sunday, October 16, 2022**

**Regular October 16, 2022 Meeting - 3:00 P.M.**

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on October 16, 2022, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the hearing to order at 3:00 p.m. The open meeting law information was presented.

Roll call was taken: Vorderstrasse – present, Niederklein – present, Sobotka – present, Rut – present, and Bartels – present. Also present were Superintendent Kort and Principal Scott.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

Niederklein moved and Sobotka seconded to excuse Scheer from the meeting. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Rut moved and Vorderstrasse seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Minutes of the Special Budget Hearing, Monday, September 19, 2022
- B. Minutes of the Special Tax Hearing, Monday, September 19, 2022
- C. Minutes of the Monday, September 19, 2022 Regular Meeting
- D. District Financial Report
- E. Activity Fund Report
- F. Hot Lunch Fund Report
- G. Bills

Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Kort presented information on the three water heaters for the kitchen that need to be replaced. Sobotka moved and Rut seconded to approve the purchase of three water heaters. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Kort reported that the annual update with ALICAP has not been completed. A report will be provided at the next meeting.

Superintendent Kort reported that technology equipment continues to be purchased using ESSER funds. Replacement smartboards have been purchased to replace equipment that has quit working.

Superintendent Kort updated the Board on the verbal audit report received from Dana Cole.

Niederklein moved and Sobotka seconded to approve MEA (Meridian Education Association) as negotiators for the 2023-2024 school year. Negotiations Committee meeting dates and times were set for November and December.

Superintendent Kort requested that a Family and Consumer Science activity account be set up to allow for the tracking of expenses and profits from the coffee sales. Rut moved and Niederklein seconded to approve an FCS Account in the Activity Fund. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Principal's Report:

- Current student count – Elementary – 121 and High School – 102.
- Kaylee Pribyl and Andon Sales were recognized as Elks teenagers of the month.
- The JH/HS music concert was held on Sunday, Oct 9. Great job by everyone.

- October 10-14 was National Hot Lunch Week. We appreciate all that Elaine, Kim, Shari, and others do to provide delicious meals to students and staff.
- October 17-21 is School Bus Safety Week. Thanks to Charles, Janelle, Tonya, Wendy, Elizabeth, and all of our substitute bus and van drivers for providing safe transportation every day all year long.
- Parent Teacher Conferences were held on September 21 and 22. Secondary reported 51% of families attended (slightly down from 57% the previous fall). Elementary had 94% parent participation, the same as last fall.
- Friday, October 14 was the end of the first quarter of the 2022-23 school year.
- CRC volleyball tournament began on Saturday, October 15. Mrs. Schropfer and the JH girls played for the conference championship. Varsity began the first round of the tournament.
- Sub district volleyball is scheduled for October 24 and 25. District finals will be Saturday, October 29.
- State volleyball will be November 3-5.
- Flu shot clinic is Thursday, October 20.
- There will be no school on Friday, October 21 for Fall Break.
- Red Ribbon Week is October 24-27. Guest speakers and other activities are planned.
- National FFA convention is the week of October 25-28.
- There will be no school on Friday, October 28 for the ESU5 in-service for teachers.
- November 11 is Veteran's Day. The program is scheduled for 10am.

Superintendent's Report:

- NASB Meeting Update
- Flu shot clinic will be held October 20<sup>th</sup>
- Bus Update
- Greenhouse Update
- Alicap Update

Next Meeting was set for Monday, November 21, 2022, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Vorderstrasse moved and Niederklein seconded to adjourn at 3:47 p.m. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

*Jamie Niederklein*, Secretary Meridian District #48-030