

**Board of Education  
Meridian Public Schools  
District – 48-0303  
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338  
Monday, November 21, 2022**

**Regular November 21, 2022 Meeting**

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on November 21, 2022, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:36 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 was Superintendent Kort and Principal Scott.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

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

No comments were heard from the public.

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

- A. Minutes of the Wednesday, October 16, 2022 Regular Meeting
- B. District Financial Report
- C. Activity Fund Report
- D. Hot Lunch Fund Report
- E. Bills

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

Principal Scott presented the Curriculum Report to the Board.

Superintendent Kort notified the Board that Meridian will host the Mudecas Music Contest on Thursday, March 23, 2023. Due to this, teachers will report to school on March 23, 2023, but students will not.

Niederklein moved and Rut seconded to approve the change to the school calendar. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Kort summarized the 2021-2022 audit completed by Dana Cole.

Vorderstrasse moved and Sobotka seconded to approve the Annual Audit Report. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Principal Scott presented the Principal's Report to the Board.

Superintendent Kort presented the Superintendent's Report to the Board.

Next Meeting was set for Monday, December 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Sobotka moved and Vorderstrasse seconded to go into closed session to discuss teacher negotiations for the 2023-2024 school year.

Bartels stated that it was moved and seconded to go in to closed session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss teacher negotiations for the 2023-2024 school year. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

The Board came out of closed session at 7:23 p.m.

Sobotka moved and Rut seconded to approve the teachers' negotiations for the 2023-2024 school year pending the approval by the Meridian Education Association (MEA). The total negotiated package is approximately a 3.27% increase from 2022-2023. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Vorderstrasse moved and Niederklein seconded to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

*Jamie Niederklein*, Secretary Meridian District #48-0303