

**Board of Education
Meridian Public Schools
District – 48-0303
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338
Monday, April 18, 2022**

Regular April 18, 2022 Meeting – 6:30 P.M.

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on April 18, 2022, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The open meeting law information was presented.

Roll call was taken: Vorderstrasse – present, Niederklein – present, Sobotka – present, Rut – present, Scheer – present, and Bartels – present. Also present were Superintendent Kort, Principal Scott, Jeremiah Barnts, Erika Schwisow, and Kymber Schwisow.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

No comments were made by the public.

Niederklein moved and Scheer seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Minutes of Sunday, March 21, 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, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Curriculum report:

- Continuing to review classes offered and looking at offering a couple new agricultural classes.

Jeremiah Barnts updated the School Board on the upcoming senior trip planned for May 10, 2022.

The Americanism Committee met prior to the Board meeting. The school will wait on guidance from the NDE as to when the required Holocaust education will be introduced into the curriculum.

Principal's Report:

- MUDECAS music contest was held on Thursday, March 24 at Tri County. The choir earned a superior rating, along with some individuals and small groups also earning superiors. District music will be April 21 and 22.
- The fourth-grade class presented its annual Nebraska Wax Museum on Thursday, March 31. One of the students portrayed Larry, the Cable Guy. This was posted on Twitter and Larry was tagged. He responded within an hour "Very cool! Git-R-Done!"
- State FFA was held April 6-8. Congratulations to Erika Schwisow for earning the State FFA Degree.
- PreK and Kindergarten parent meetings were held Monday, April 11. We currently are expecting approximately 10 students per grade next year.
- Meridian track teams have been very successful this year. HS Boys were 2nd at Deshler twilight meet. Girls have placed 1st in the past 3 meets! JH boys placed 5th at MUDECAS and won their last meet. JH girls placed 6th at their last meet with a small team. Congratulations to Kaylee Pribyl for breaking the school pole vault record twice this year. The record now stands at 10' 6".
- The JH Quiz Bowl placed 3rd at the MUDECAS contest.
- Kendall Filipi placed 1st and Isaac Thomas placed 3rd in the Eastern Nebraska Speech Contest. They will compete at the state contest on May 9. Congratulations!

- State NSCAS and MAP testing has begun and will continue through May.
- JH/HS music concert will be held Tuesday, April 26.
- Meridian Drama will present “The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe” on Saturday, May 7, at 7pm and Sunday, May 8, at 2pm.
- Seniors’ last week starts with May 9 being their last full day, senior trip on Tuesday, May 10, graduation practice on May 11, and graduation on Saturday, May 14 at 2pm.
- Elementary field day will be held on Friday, May 13.
- The Elementary Student Council raised money along with the Norris Grant to purchase a handicap accessible swing.

Superintendent’s Report:

- Legislative Updates:
 - LB 1112 – Technology and Computer Requirement
 - LB 1218 – Loan Forgiveness and Part 1 of Praxis
 - LB 888 – Holocaust Teaching

The Next Regular Meeting was set for Monday, May 16, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Sobotka moved and Scheer seconded to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Vote Taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Jamie Niederklein, Secretary Meridian District #48-030