

**Board of Education
Meridian Public Schools
District – 48-0303
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338
Monday, March 20, 2023**

Regular March 20, 2023 Meeting

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on March 20, 2023, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The open meeting law information was presented.

Roll call was taken: Barton – present, Niederklein – present, Sobotka – present, Rut – present, and Bartels – present. Also present were Superintendent Kort and Ms. Drees.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

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

No comments were heard from the public.

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

- A. Minutes of the Sunday, February 19, 2023 Regular Meeting
- B. District Financial Report
- C. Activity Fund Report
- D. Hot Lunch Fund Report
- E. Bills

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

Superintendent Kort and Ms. Drees presented the Curriculum Report to the Board.

Superintendent Kort presented Policy 5206 Early Graduation to the Board and proposed amending Policy 5206 by changing the deadline for requesting to walk for the graduation ceremony from February 1 to March 10. Following discussion, Sobotka moved and Barton seconded to amend Policy 5206, changing the request date to walk at graduation from February 1 to March 10. Vote taken: Barton – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Kort presented the 2023 – 2024 calendar to the Board. Following discussion, Rut moved and Niederklein seconded to approve the 2023 – 2024 calendar. Vote taken: Barton – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Kort presented the board with the Nebraska Association of School Board (NASB) calendar and events for the year. He also reported on ALICAP.

Rut moved and Barton seconded to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Mr. Jacob Nore. Vote taken: Barton – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Ms. Drees presented the Principal's Report to the Board.

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

Sobotka moved and Barton seconded to approve the 2023 – 2024 contract for Superintendent Kort with a 3.5% increase. Vote taken: Barton – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

The Americanism Committee will meet on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting was set for Monday, April 17, 2023, beginning at 6:15 p.m.

Sobotka moved and Niederklein seconded to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Vote taken: Barton – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Jamie Niederklein, Secretary Meridian District #48-0303