

**Board of Education
Meridian Public Schools
District – 48-0303
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338
Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

Regular December 13, 2023 Meeting

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on December 13, 2023, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The open meeting law information was presented.

Roll call was taken: Niederklein – present, Rut – present, Scheer – present, and Bartels – present. Also present was Superintendent Kort.

Niederklein moved and Scheer seconded to excuse Barton and Sobotka from the meeting. Vote taken: Niederklein – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

No comments were heard from the public.

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

- A. Minutes of the Monday, November 20, 2023 Regular Meeting
- B. District Financial Report
- C. Activity Fund Report
- D. Hot Lunch Fund Report
- E. Bills

Vote taken: Niederklein – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 4-0.

RJ Paul requested to be approved for early graduation next school year. RJ explained to the Board why he wanted to be approved for early graduation. He also provided letters of recommendation from three staff members in support of RJ's plans to graduate early. RJ answered questions the Board had regarding his plans to graduate early. RJ has satisfied all of the criteria of the Early Completion Plan. Scheer moved and Niederklein seconded to approve the request from RJ Paul for early graduation. Vote taken: Niederklein – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Superintendent Kort presented the Curriculum Report to the Board.

Superintendent Kort gave an update on the report being released from the state assessment.

Superintendent Kort discussed the Multicultural Report and provided lesson plan information for review.

Superintendent Kort gave an update on the ESSER Funds the District has received and how the funds have been used.

Superintendent Kort presented hard copies of the audit report to the Board from Dana F. Cole & Company for the year ending August 31, 2023.

Superintendent Kort presented the Principal's Reports and the Superintendent's Report to the Board.

Evaluation forms for Superintendent Kort were reviewed. The Board felt that Superintendent Kort meets or exceeds expectations in all four performance objectives that include budget, communication, positive school culture, and instructional leadership.

The next regular meeting was set for Monday, January 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Scheer moved and Rut seconded to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Vote taken: Niederklein – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Jamie Niederklein, Secretary Meridian District #48-0303