

**School Board Minutes**  
**Montpelier Public School District #14**  
**214 7<sup>th</sup> Ave**  
**Montpelier, ND 58472**  
**January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Board Members Present:** President Tony Roorda, Scott Harms, Abram Valenta, Lynn Boom, Jeff Jensen and Wade Dally. Absent: Robert Froehlich.

**Also Present:** Superintendent Jerry Waagen, Secondary Principal James Bear, and Business Manager Amy Maurer.

**Call to Order:** President Roorda called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Agenda:** No changes.

**Consent Agenda:** Boom made a motion, seconded by Harms, to approve the following:

- a. Approval of the bills and financial reports.
- b. Approval of the minutes from the December 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, with a correction to the board retreat date to January 18<sup>th</sup>.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Secondary Principal /Technology Coordinator Report:** Mr. Bear reported: 1) Some students will be taking online classes for credit recovery. 2) He attended an SEEC program advisory meeting where professional development, especially for mental health training, was discussed.

**Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report:** Mr. Waagen reported: 1) He attended the Stutsman County Extension Advisory Council meeting on Tuesday, January 9 in Jamestown. The two main topics of discussion were addressing rural mental health and the impact of volunteers as it related to 4-H. 2) We had an outstanding Christmas concert under the direction of Mrs. Hansen. The concert was very well attended. 3) The last snowstorm created a large amount of snow on the grounds and needed removal. Custodian Randy Henne, along with Mike Hanson, Jeff DeBuck, and Bill Anderson completed the snow removal and did a fantastic job. 4) Archery practice began on Tuesday, January 7. We have one high school boy and one junior girl playing basketball this winter. We were originally asked to pay the salary of an additional assistant coach for the athletic cooperative. Since there are only two students participating an additional coach isn't required and what Montpelier's contribution should be will be reviewed in the spring. 5) The Living Tree family engagement application will be implemented in January. 6) The third and fifth grade classes were the recipients of the "Golden Spoon" award for outstanding table manners.

**School Board Retreat:** The retreat will be on January 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm.

**Retirement:** Mrs. Strobe, our school's LD/Special Education teacher is retiring. We have enjoyed having her with the district for five years. JRSEU will be responsible for filling the position.

**Report of Pledged Securities:** Unison Bank has pledged \$1,120,330.00 in securities to the district.

**Substitute:** Harms made a motion, seconded by Valenta, to approve the hire of Tammy Brazell as a substitute teacher. The motion carried unanimously.

**2020-2021 School Calendar:** Boom made a motion, seconded by Dally, to approve draft D of the 2020-2021 school calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

**Negotiations Seminar:** The NDSBA Negotiations Seminar will be February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in Bismarck. A topic at the seminar is days to hours transition. The board discussed that there is a need to resolve/clarify minutes to days issues prior to distributing teacher contracts in April.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

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Tony Roorda, Board President

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Amy Maurer, Business Manager

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Approval Date