

**Board of Education
Meridian Public Schools
District – 48-0303
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338
Monday, June 20, 2022**

Regular June 20, 2022 Meeting – 6:00 P.M.

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on June 20, 2022, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 and Clint Jones.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

During the public comments, Brian Rut spoke on behalf of Jay and Staci VanWesten. The VanWesten’s would like to donate a “Meridian FFA Welcomes You” sign to be posted near the school.

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

- A. Minutes of Monday, May 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, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Curriculum report:

- Updates to the English/Language Arts curriculum will create more balanced learning between vocabulary & writing and fiction & non-fiction.

Sobotka moved and Rut seconded to approve Dana Cole as the auditors for the 2021-2022 school year. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Kort presented proposed school lunch prices for the 2022-2023 school year. Lunch prices have remained the same for the past five years. Current prices are:

Breakfast: Elementary - \$1.30, 7-12 grade - \$1.55, Adult - \$2.00

Lunch: Elementary - \$2.60, 7-12 grade - \$2.70, Adult - \$3.50

Vorderstrasse moved and Scheer seconded to keep the breakfast and lunch prices the same as they have been. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Kort presented the yearly contract for Southeast Nebraska Regional Program Interlocal Agreement for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Niederklein moved and Vorderstrasse seconded to approve the yearly contract for the SNRP Deaf or Hard of Hearing Agreement. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Policy 5000s were reviewed at the May board meeting. Scheer moved and Niederklein seconded to approve the Policy 5000s. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Kort presented the 2022 Census Report to the Board. Rut moved and Niederklein seconded to approve the 2022 Census. Vote taken: Vorderstrasse – aye, Niederklein – aye, Sobotka – aye, Rut – aye, Scheer – aye, and Bartels – aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Kort proposed to the Board the purchase of an enclosed trailer. The trailer would be used primarily for the band and drama departments. He will provide more information in the near future.

Principal's Report:

- 2022-2023 Student counts – 114 in elementary, 100 in high school, 1 exchange student for a total of 214 students.
- Mr. Scott attended the Meridian Alumni banquet in Tobias on June 4, presenting highlights from the 2021 – 2022 school year.
- Summer school is in full swing. Two teachers are working with 18 students on math and reading skills.
- The annual non-public Title parent meeting was held on Tuesday, June 7. We had a new family to the area attend to get information about potential services.
- Meridian staff attended the ESU5 Services planning day. This provided an opportunity to discuss services that can be provided to the school district through the ESU.
- The competition gym has been sanded and prepped for the new year.
- Meridian held a basketball camp the week of June 13.
- Stage lights and sound are scheduled to be installed the week of June 20.
- FBLA National Leadership Conference is scheduled for June 30-July 2 in Chicago. Brynn Holtmeier will be representing Meridian.

Superintendent's Report:

- Summer Projects Update
 - The sanding and updating of the competition gym floor has been completed.
 - Painting the ceiling in the commons and touch up painting are yet to be completed.
 - Classrooms are being emptied out and cleaned up.
- Summer weights are underway. Girls attend on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday and boys on Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

- Basketball camp was hosted at Meridian this past week.
- NASB will no longer be part of the National School Board Association.
- Potential Board Retreat dates.

The next Regular Meeting was set for Thursday, July 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. followed by a Board retreat at Kerry's in McCool Junction.

Sobotka moved and Vorderstrasse seconded to adjourn at 6:43 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