

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
215 PINE AVENUE E, MENOMONIE, WISCONSIN
MONDAY, JULY 25, 2022, 5:45 P.M.**

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order** – President Charlie Schneider called the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the Menomonie Area to order at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, July 25, 2022, in the boardroom of the Administrative Service Center at 215 Pine Avenue E., Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call showed seven board members present: Rachel Henderson, Mark Hillman, Karl Palmer, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Charlie Schneider, and Angie Skillings. Abe Smith joined via phone. Dominique Stewart was absent. President Schneider declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. Administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Tonia Kowieski, Leah Theder, Samantha Hoyt, Brian Seguin, Katie Krueger, Mike Kennedy, Casey Drake and Bart Boettcher. Also in attendance Recording Secretary Jenny Mikesell, and videographer Steve Hanson. Electors and/or others registering attendance included Josie Pillman, Scott Parker, and Tanya Husby.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance and Reading of the Mission Statement** - Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the district’s mission statement.
- D. Agenda Order and Approval/Revision** – The agenda was approved as presented.
- E. Recommendations and Commendations** - Tanya Husby was recognized for her service to the school district and community as a member of the Board of Education.
- F. Community Communications** - There was one speaker present for the community communications; Josie Pillman. She had three minutes to address the Board of Education regarding her concerns.

II. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda** - Skillings made a motion, seconded by Palmer, that the board approve the personnel consent agenda, as presented:
 - 1. Resignations/Retirements: None.
 - 2. Request to Hire: Employment of Angela Gilbertson, 1st Grade Teacher at River Heights Elementary, effective August 16, 2022. Employment of Elliana Lone, emergency one-year 2nd Grade Teacher at River Heights Elementary, effective August 16, 2022. Employment of Lane Mabie, Spanish Teacher at Menomonie Middle School, effective August 16, 2022. Employment of Mia Panella, 6th Grade Social Studies Teacher at Menomonie Middle School, effective August 16, 2022. The motion passed by unanimous electronic vote.

III. ACTION AGENDA

- A. Approve Year-End Budget Transfers** – Skillings made a motion, seconded by Riddle-Swanson, that the board approve the year-end budget transfers, as presented. Motion passed 7-0 by electronic vote.
- B. Approve Updates to the SDMA Strategic Plan** - Skillings made a motion, seconded by Hillman, that the board approve updates to the SDMA strategic plan, as presented. Motion passed 7-0 by electronic vote.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW

- A. Annual Student Services Report** - Director of Student Services Tonia Kowieski shared the annual student services report with the board. As of October 1, 2021, there are 547 students in the school district who are receiving special education services. Tonia also reported on special education staffing, Section 504 accommodation plans, English Language Learners (ELL), Gifted and Talented program, and the Bridging Brighter Smiles program.

- B. Annual Seclusion and Restraint Report** – Tonia Kowieski provided the annual seclusion and restraint report from the 2021-2022 school year. The total number of restraints were 35, the total number of students involved was 13, and the total number of students with IEP’s involved was 12. The total number of seclusions were 17, the total number of students involved was 8, and the total number of students with IEPs involved was 8. The district has two trainers for non-violent crisis intervention. During the 2021-2022 school year, two training sessions were held with 36 staff members participating in NVCI.
- C. Annual Review of SDMA Bullying and Harassment Policies** – Tonia Kowieski shared with the board the SDMA bullying and harassment policies along with the annual compliance report. Building principals shared anti-bullying initiatives and actions that have been implemented at the schools.
- D. Review Timeline for the Appointment of a New School Board Member** – The board reviewed and discussed the timeline for the appointment of a new school board member.
- E. Review Extracurricular Staff Contract Requests** - The board reviewed extracurricular staff contract requests for the period of June 23, 2022 through July 21, 2022.
- F. Review Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports** - August 8, 2022, Regular School Board Meeting, 5:45 p.m., at ASC. August 22, 2022, Special School Board Meeting, 5:00 p.m., Menomonie High School Library; and Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Menomonie High School Tiered Lecture Hall. September 1, 2022, First day of school. September 12, 2022, Regular School Board Meeting, at 5:45 p.m., ASC; and September 26, 2022 Special School Board Meeting, 5:45 p.m., at ASC.
- V. ADJOURNMENT** - Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Hillman, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

/s/ Abe Smith

Abe Smith, Clerk

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