

**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, OCTOBER 28, 2024, 5:45 P.M.**

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order**– President Rachel Henderson 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, October 28, 2024, in the Administrative Service Center Board Room, 215 Pine Avenue E., Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum**– Roll call showed eight board members present: Rachel Henderson, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Abe Smith, Angela Wolf, Michelle Dupree, Emily Hines, and Amber Kersting. Dale Dahlke appeared by telephone. President Henderson declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. The administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Brian Seguin, Tonia Kowieski, Eric Nelson, Bart Boettcher, Susan Mommsen, Stacy Lee, and Casey Drake. Community members in attendance were Josie Pillman, Ray Martinson, James Stewart, and Laurie Christianson. Also in attendance were recording secretary Jenny Mikesell and videographer Steve Hanson.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance and Reading of Mission Statement**- Rachel Henderson 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. Community Communications**- Community communications in attendance included Josie Pillman, James Stewart, and Laurie Christianson. They each had three minutes to address the Board of Education regarding their topic or concern.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Consent Agenda**- Hines made a motion, seconded by Kersting, to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) Certification of River Heights Elementary School Safety Drill, as presented; and 2) Resolution Authorizing the American Deposit Management Co. as An Authorized Agent for District Funds, as presented. The motion passed 9-0 by electronic vote.

III. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda**– Smith made a motion, seconded by Wolf, to approve the following Personnel Consent Agenda items: 1) The retirement of Michelle Latz, 4th grade teacher at River Heights Elementary School, effective the end of the 2024-25 school year; and 2) The retirement of Kimberly Roberts, Art teacher at Oaklawn Elementary School, effective the end of the 2024-25 school year.

IV. ACTION AGENDA

- A. Consider Appeal of Reconsideration Committee Meeting**- Smith motioned to uphold the Reconsideration Committee's decision, seconded by Riddle-Swanson. The motion passed with a vote of 8-0.
- B. Action to Approve Adoption of 2024-25 Budget**- Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Smith, to approve the adoption of the 2024-25 budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Action to Approve Certification of 2024-25 Tax Levy**- Hines made a motion, seconded by Dupree, to approve the certification of the 2024-25 tax levy as presented. The motion passed unanimously via electronic vote.
- D. Action to Approve Updated Health Insurance Premiums for 2025**- Smith made a motion, seconded by Wolf, to Approve Updated Health Insurance Premiums for 2025, as presented. The motion passed with an 8-0 electronic vote.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW

- A. **Virtual Education Report-** Menomonie High School Assistant Principal Susan Mommsen presented the annual SDMA Virtual Education Report, which included enrollment and course completion data. She also highlighted the program's strengths and identified areas for growth.
- B. **Quarterly Review of SDMA Work Plan-**The board reviewed progress and outlined the next steps for the 2024-25 district work plan.
- C. **Review MHS Course Offering Timeline for 2025-26-** Brian Seguin, the Director of Curriculum and Instruction, shared the Staffing and Course Offering Timeline with the board.
- D. **Discuss Board Self-Evaluation-** The board reviewed the WASB Annual Board Development Tool Survey and discussed scheduling a retreat to analyze the results.
- E. **Review Extracurricular Staff Contract Requests-** The Board reviewed extra/co-curricular staff contract requests from September 20, 2024, through October 24, 2024.
- F. **Review Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports-** Regular Board Meeting on November 11, 2024, at 5:45 pm, ASC. No school for students or staff November 25-29, 2024. Special School Board Meeting on November 25, 2024, is canceled. QIC Meeting on December 2, 2024, at 3:50 pm, ASC. Regular Board Meeting on December 9, 2024, at 5:45 pm, ASC. Special Board Meeting on December 23, 2024, is canceled. No school for students or staff December 23-31, 2024.

VI. ADJOURNMENT-

- A. **Action to Adjourn-** Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 PM, which was seconded by Henderson. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

/s/Dominique Stewart

Dominique Stewart, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: November 11, 2024