

**MIDDLETON-CROSS PLAINS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**Minutes of Monday, March 7, 2011**

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

The regular meeting of the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Ellen Lindgren.

Present.....President Ellen Lindgren, Vice President Tim Statz, Treasurer Bob Green, and Board Members Tom Engle, Jim Greer, and Leeanne Hallquist, and Stuart Rossmiller

Not Present..... Clerk Diane Hornung (listened via conference call) and Board Member Steve Hurd

Others Present..... Superintendent Don Johnson, Assistant Superintendent George Mavroulis, Assistant Superintendent Tom Wohlleber, Kromrey Principal Steve Soeteber, Glacier Creek Principal Tim Keeler, MHS Associate Principal Jill Gurtner, MASH Teacher Debi Dennis, and MHS Principal Denise Herrmann

**2. Recognition – None**

**3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

**MOVED** by Statz, **SECONDED** by Greer, **to approve** the Special and Closed Minutes of February 25, 2011 and the Regular and Closed Minutes of February 28, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.**

**5. Communications**

**A. Correspondence/Board Communication – None**

**B. Citizen Comments – None**

**5. Superintendent’s Report**

**A. Upcoming Events and Updates –** Don Johnson shared information on the following items: homeless student statistics, AODA funding, Fine Arts Week at MHS, orchestra and band dates for MHS, and winners of the Optimist Essay Contest. Don also congratulated the MHS boys hockey team for finishing second at the State Tournament.

**6. Consent Agenda**

**MOVED** by Statz, **SECONDED** by Green **to approve** the following items for consent agenda: **6.A.a.** Approval of Bills Payable, **6.B.b.** Approval of Leaves of Absence, **6.B.d.** Approval of Staff Retirements (per addendum), **8.A.** Approval of 2011-12 Project Lead the Way Agreement – Engineering/Technology) and **8.B.** 2011-12 Facility use Fee Approval. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.**

**A. Administrative/Business Services**

- a. Approval of Bills Payable** - Computer check numbers 215498 through 215584 totaling \$176,456.17 were reviewed by the Board Treasurer and **approved under consent agenda. (Exhibit A)**
- b. Approval of Treasurer's Report** – There is no Treasurer's Report to approve at this time.

**B. Employee Services**

- a. Approval of Resignations** – There are no resignations to approve at this time.
- b. Approval of Leaves of Absence** – The following leaves of absence were approved under consent agenda:

**Tiffany Francois**, English teacher at MHS  
**Steve Jones**, Spanish teacher at Kromrey

- c. Approval of Staff Appointments** – There are no staff appointments to approve at this time.
- d. Approval of Staff Retirements** – The following staff retirements **were approved under consent agenda:**

**Ken Burghy**, grade 5 teacher at Northside  
**Barbara Swerin**, grade 4 teacher at Park

**C. District Consent Items**

**7. Items for Information/Discussion**

- A. Eight Period Day Report by Middle Schools** – Middle School Principals Tim Keeler and Steve Soeteber presented information on the change to an eight period day for the 2010-11 school year. Tim and Steve covered information from past schedules, the current schedule and moving ahead to the future.
- B. Update on MASH Charter Grant Application** – MASH Principal Jill Gurtner and MASH Teacher Debi Dennis updated the board on the MASH charter grant application. They reviewed the state of charter school funding, the proposed MASH charter grant application, the role of the board/district as a charter school authorizer, and the charter plan/proposal. Jill and Debi answered questions from the board members.
- C. High School Honors Standards** – MHS Principal Denise Herrmann shared information on the proposed changes to the honor roll at Middleton High School and answered questions.
- D. 2011-12 Budget Questions/Request for March 14 Work Session** – Don Johnson provided a brief initial review of the impact of the proposed Budget Repair Bill and the proposed 2011-13 State Budget on the district's 2011-12 budget.

- E. **Format for Future Committee Reports to the Board** – The board discussed how they wanted to receive information in the future from committee meetings. It was agreed upon that there would be no detailed report at the board meetings. If more information/details need to be discussed on a particular item, it should be placed on the regular board agenda. Committees may distribute draft minutes to keep board members informed.
- F. **Principal Hiring Process** – George Mavroulis and Don Johnson reviewed the hiring process for the Park Elementary principal position with the board.

**8. Items for Action**

- A. **Approval of 2011-12 Project Lead the Way Agreement – Engineering/Technology** – The board **approved** the 2011-12 Project Lead the Way Agreement – Engineering/Technology **under consent agenda. (Exhibit B)**
- B. **2011-12 Facility Use Fee Approval** – The 2011-12 Facility Use Fee schedule **was approved under consent agenda** by the board. **(Exhibit C)**

**MOVED** by Green **SECONDED** by Engle **to move into closed session** to discuss MEA negotiations and consideration of discipline for professional staff. **Motion carried unanimously, 7-0 on a roll call vote.**

- 9. **Convene in Closed Session under S.S. 19.85 (1)(b)(e)**
  - A. **Discussion on MEA Negotiations**
  - B. **Consideration of Discipline for Professional Staff**

**10. Reconvene Into Open Session**

**11. Next Meeting Dates and Adjournment –**

Mon. 03.14.11      Regular Board Meeting      DAC      7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Tom Wohlleber, Deputy Clerk

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Approved by Board President      Date