

**MERIDIAN CUSD 101
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Meridian CUSD #101 Board of Education was called to order at 6 p.m. by President, Mike Hileman.

ROLL CALL

Members present included Mike Hileman – President, Justin Crain – Vice President, Charlotte Woods – Secretary, Connie Young-Hunt, Rebecca Word, & Scotty Henry. Also present: Spencer Byrd (Superintendent), Scott Bunting (K-5 Behavior Intervention Specialist), Mitch Haskins (Athletic Director), Iwanda DeBerry (Teacher/MEA Rep), Erin Ruiz (Teacher/FFA Sponsor), FFA Members: Wyatt Helton, Cymone Ballard, Morgan Laird, James Lang, and Treston Masters; LaShawna Johnson (parent), & Craig Ballard (parent).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Scotty Henry and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 –Scotty Henry, Justin Crain, Charlotte Woods, Connie Young-Hunt, Rebecca Word, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Erin Ruiz and the FFA students present gave a brief report on activities the FFA has been involved in this school year.

Mitch Haskins made a presentation before the board on the first ever All Conference Volleyball Player – Cymone Ballard.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:14 P.M.

A motion was made by Connie Young-Hunt and seconded by Scotty Henry to convene in Executive Session for the discussion of:

- 1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1);

Also present: LaShawna Johnson

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Connie Young-Hunt, Scotty Henry, Charlotte Woods, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

OPEN SESSION 6:25 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to reconvene in open session.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Scotty Henry, Rebecca Word, Connie Young-Hunt, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Scotty Henry to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 –Rebecca Word, Scotty Henry, Charlotte Woods, Connie Young-Hunt, Justin Crain, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ORAL REPORT

Mrs. Harris gave a brief update on the Daily 5 and how they are being implemented.

HIGH SCHOOL ORAL REPORT

Mr. Rinella gave a brief report on the 3 students to meet Senator Dale Fowler and the Law Enforcement meeting is scheduled for November 16th.

DISCIPLINE REPORTS

Mr. Bunting gave a report on Student Management Data.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT ORAL REPORT

No oral report given.

21ST CENTURY REPORT

No oral report given.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Byrd reviewed the School Improvement Goals and displayed some events that were captured of our students.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

No committee reports.

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGGREGATE TAX LEVY (FIRST REVIEW)

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Connie Young-Hunt to approve the Proposed Aggregate Tax Levy (First Review). Final approval will be done at the December board meeting.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Charlotte Woods, Connie Young-Hunt, Scotty Henry, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, & Mike Hileman; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (FIRST REVIEW)

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Scotty Henry to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Local Law Enforcement (First Review). The

meeting with local law enforcement is Nov. 16th; final approval of this MOU will be done at the December board meeting.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Rebecca Word, Scotty Henry, Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Connie Young-Hunt, & Mike Hileman; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE LIFETOUCH RENEWAL AGREEMENT FOR 2018-19

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Connie Young-Hunt to approve the Lifetouch Renewal Agreement for 2018-19 as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Connie Young-Hunt, Scotty Henry, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, & Charlotte Woods; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:25 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Scotty Henry to convene in Executive Session for the discussion of:

- 1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1);
- 2) Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(2);
- 3) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(3)
- 4) Discussion of student disciplinary cases. (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(9)

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Charlotte Woods, Scotty Henry, Connie Young-Hunt, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

OPEN SESSION 8:17 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Connie Young-Hunt to reconvene in open session.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Charlotte Woods, Connie Young-Hunt, Scotty Henry, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2017 SUSPENSION REPORT

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the October 2017 Suspension Report as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Rebecca Word, Charlotte Woods, Connie Young-Hunt, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Scotty Henry; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT 8:17 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Scotty Henry to adjourn this meeting.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 –Charlotte Woods, Scotty Henry, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, Connie Young-Hunt, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL: _____

President – Mike Hileman

Secretary—Charlotte Woods