

**MERIDIAN CUSD 101
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016**

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, Warren Jackson – Secretary, Charlotte Woods, Rebecca Word, & Jamie Nichols. Melody Spaulding arrived at 6:03 p.m. Also present: Spencer Byrd (Superintendent), Tim Turner (High School Principal), Cheryl Graff (K-8 Administrator of Curriculum & Instruction), Jill Dare (SIG Program Director), Pam Thurston (MEA President), Victor Baker (Teacher Aide), and Gary Gischer (Athletic Director).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Rebecca Word, Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, Jamie Nichols, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Victor Baker addressed the board about the condition of the District as he is seeing it unravel around us. Mr. Baker re-iterated that this district isn't the family community it once was. People are here just for a check or a perk (includes board members, superintendent, admin, and other staff) and not really concerned about the community as a whole. Mr. Baker asked that the board and the admin. pay more attention to the students well-being.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, Melody Spaulding, Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0 –
MOTION CARRIED**

ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ORAL REPORT

Mrs. Graff did not have anything to add to her written report.

HIGH SCHOOL ORAL REPORT

Mr. Turner did not have anything to add to his written report.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT ORAL REPORT

Mrs. Dare gave a brief report. Summer School preparations are being finalized. 142 students have signed up for Summer School so far.

DISCIPLINE REPORT

Mrs. Harris gave a brief report on Discipline for K-12. And the 8th grade dance was a success.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Gary Gischer gave a brief report on the spring sports.

21ST CENTURY REPORT

Mrs. Houston was not present. Written report included.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Byrd gave a brief report on the following things:

- *Discussed the Construction
- *Elaborated on Summer School

MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

Randy Gardner did not give a report.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee met today.

The Policy Committee should have a meeting on June 14th.

APPROVING THE 2016-17 PUBLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by Jamie Nichols and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the 2016-17 Public School Calendar as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Jamie Nichols, Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, Melody Spaulding, Warren Jackson, & Rebecca Word; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE 2016-17 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES

A motion was made by Jamie Nichols and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the 2016-17 Board of Education Meeting Dates as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Jamie Nichols, Charlotte Woods, Melody Spaulding, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, Rebecca Word, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE 2016 SUMMER WORK HOURS FOR ALL 12 MONTH/EXTENDED CONTRACT PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Melody Spaulding to approve the 2016 Summer Work Hours for all 12 month/Extended Contract Personnel as follows:

Beginning May 27, 2016 going thru August 5, 2016 Summer Work Hours will be:
7 a.m. – 3 p.m. or 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday
Fridays off

Regular hours will resume on Monday, August 8, 2016

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Charlotte Woods, Melody Spaulding, Mike Hileman, Warren Jackson, Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, Justin Crain; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE 2016-17 VERIZON WIRELESS GSA FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE PURCHASE ORDER

A motion was made by Justin Crain and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the 2016-17 Verizon Wireless GSA Federal Supply Schedule Purchase Order as presented. This contract is done annually. The cost is covered by E-rate.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Justin Crain, Charlotte Woods, Rebecca Word, Warren Jackson, Melody Spaulding, Jamie Nichols, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE FIRST REVIEW OF THE 2016-17 DISTRICT STUDENT HANDBOOK

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve First Review of the 2016-17 District Student Handbook. This is a ROUGH DRAFT at this point. There are still areas that need tweaking (Discipline section mostly). The final approval should be next month. Once the final has been approved it will need to go to the printing company.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, Warren Jackson, Justin Crain, Melody Spaulding, Rebecca Word, & Jamie Nichols; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE FIRST REVIEW OF THE 2016-17 DISTRICT CURRICULUM GUIDE

A motion was made by Justin Crain and seconded by Warren Jackson to approve the First Review of the 2016-17 District Curriculum Guide as presented. This is a ROUGH DRAFT at this point. There are still areas that need to be edited and/or revised. The final approval should be next month.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Justin Crain, Warren Jackson, Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, Rebecca Word, Melody Spaulding, & Jamie Nichols; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:35 P.M.

A motion was made by Jamie Nichols and seconded by Charlotte Woods 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) The collective negotiating matters between the District & its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(2);
- 3) Discussion of student disciplinary cases. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(9);

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 – Jamie Nichols, Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, Melody Spaulding, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

OPEN SESSION 9:10 P.M.

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Charlotte Woods to reconvene in open session.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 – Rebecca Word, Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, Jamie Nichols, Justin Crain, Melody Spaulding, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE EXTRA DUTY RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Rebecca Word and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the Extra Duty Resignation submitted by Benay Childress to be effective immediately. Benay has been the High School Cheer Coach for the past 35 years.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, Warren Jackson, Charlotte Woods, Melody Spaulding, Mike Hileman, & Jamie Nichols; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE RESIGNATION SUBMITTED

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Jamie Nichols to approve the resignation submitted by Todd Ehlers (HS AG teacher) to be effective May 12, 2016.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Charlotte Woods, Jamie Nichols, Rebecca Word, Justin Crain, Warren Jackson, Melody Spaulding, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

A motion was made by Warren Jackson and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the resignation of Andrea Harris. Mrs. Harris was approved by the board and offered the K-6 Principal job but declined.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Warren Jackson, Justin Crain, Charlotte Woods, Jamie Nichols, Rebecca Word, Melody Spaulding, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE 2016-17 EXTRA DUTY RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was made by Melody Spaulding and seconded by Rebecca Word to approve the 2016-17 Extra Duty Recommendations as presented:

Junior High

Baseball – Erin Conley

Softball – Victor Baker

Boys Basketball – Chauncey Hughes

Girls Basketball – Webster McGuire

Volleyball – Tamara McCutchen

Track – Jessie McNeil

Cheer – Dorlissa Cherry

High School

Baseball – Curtland Sawyer

Softball – Victor Baker

Boys Basketball – Erik Griffin

Girls Basketball – Jerry Johnson

Cheer- TBD

Volleyball – Tamara McCutchen

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Melody Spaulding, Rebecca Word, Warren Jackson, Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, & Jamie Nichols; NAYS: 1 – Justin Crain; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2016 SUSPENSION REPORT

A motion was made by Warren Jackson and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the April 2016 Suspension Report as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Warren Jackson, Charlotte Woods, Melody Spaulding, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, Jamie Nichols, & Rebecca Word; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT 9:16 P.M.

A motion was made by Jamie Nichols and seconded by Melody Spaulding to adjourn this meeting.

**Member Vote: AYES: 7 –Jamie Nichols, Melody Spaulding, Charlotte Woods, Warren Jackson, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Rebecca Word; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL: _____

President – Mike Hileman

Secretary—Warren Jackson