

**MERIDIAN CUSD 101
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

This Special meeting of the Meridian CUSD #101 Board of Education was called to order at 1 p.m. by President, Mike Hileman.

ROLL CALL

Members present included Mike Hileman – President, Justin Crain – Vice President, Warren Jackson – Secretary, & Charlotte Woods. Also present: Spencer Byrd (Superintendent), Novella Harris (K-6 Principal), Tony Rinella (7th-12th Principal), & Randy Gardner (Maintenance Director). Visitors present: Vicky Miller (JAMP), Chanel Lane (parent), & Perry Williams (recommended SRO hire).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

**Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Motion to enter into closed session needed) 1:03 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to approve entering into closed session for the purpose of:

- Student Disciplinary cases 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)
- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Also present: Perry Williams, Chanel Lane

**Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED**

OPEN SESSION 2:24 P.M.

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

**Member Vote: AYES: 4 – Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Warren Jackson, & Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVING THE RECALLS OF THE FOLLOWING PARA-PROFESSIONALS FOR THE 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Justin Crain and seconded by Charlotte Woods to approve the recall of the following Para-Professionals for the 2016-17 school year:

Barbara McElmurry – Personal Aide

Robert Andrews – 6th Grade Classroom Aide

Debbie Mize – Personal Aide

Dawn Nelson – PreK Aide

Victor Baker – Personal Aide

Janice Stubbs – PreK Aide

Tracyna Davis – Personal Aide

Laura Kilgore – Personal Aide

Carol Jean Mize – Special Ed Classroom Aide (Primary)

Christiine Reed – Special Ed Classroom Aide (Intermediate)

Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Justin Crain, Charlotte Woods, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVING THE NEW HIRES FOR THE 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the recommendation submitted by Tony Rinella (7th-12th Principal) to hire Randy Strunk as the 7th-12th grade Social Studies Teacher for the 2016-17 school year contingent upon meeting all state requirements. Mr. Strunk has a valid Illinois teaching certificate with endorsements in: Civics/Political Science (HS), Economics (HS), Geography (HS), General Geography (MS), Social Science (MS), Social Studies (MS/HS), US History (HS), & World History (HS) that expires June 2017.

Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the recommendation submitted by Tony Rinella (7th-12th Principal) to hire Heather Mandrell as the District Library Clerk for the 2016-17 school year contingent upon meeting all state requirements. Mrs. Mandrell has a valid Illinois teaching certificate with endorsements in: English (HS), Language Arts (MS), Social Science (MS), & World History (HS) that expires July 2017.

Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the recommendation submitted by Spencer Byrd (Superintendent) to hire Perry Williams as the District School Resource Officer (SRO) for the 2016-17 school year contingent upon meeting all state requirements. Mr. Williams will be paid out of SIG.

Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVING THE EXTENDED CONTRACT FOR THE CURRENT SUPERINTENDENT

A motion was made by Warren Jackson and seconded by Justin Crain to approve the Extended Contract for Spencer Byrd, current Superintendent. The extended contract will be to June 20, 2018. There will be a % raise included in the 2016-17 salary.

Member Vote: AYES: 4 –Warren Jackson, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Charlotte Woods; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT 2:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Charlotte Woods and seconded by Justin Crain to adjourn this special meeting.

Member Vote: AYES: 4– Charlotte Woods, Justin Crain, Mike Hileman, & Warren Jackson; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 3 – Rebecca Word, Jamie Nichols, & Melody Spaulding
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL: _____

President – Mike Hileman

Secretary—Warren Jackson