

NORTH MAC COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #34
Regular Board of Education Meeting
North Mac High School Media Center
231 West Fortune Street, Virden, IL
6:30 p.m. – April 24, 2024

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

Present – Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Watson, White, Christopher

Absent – Pinkston

Also Present – Kyle Hacke, Sarah Raynor, Jon Langellier, John Downs, Randi Anderson, Molly Uhe-Edmonds, Brian Carman, Debbie Poffinbarger, Denise Waggener, Nick Troutwine, Alex Barnes, Hailey Marie, Whitney James, Jason James, Nick Shutts, Connie Schroeder, Kimmy Eldridge, Elle Eldridge, Kris Eldridge, Cole Lantz, Carson Lange, Brigitta Cherry, Matt Peregrin, Aryn Peregrin, Chelsea McMasters, Catherine Garrison, Cory McQueen, Katie, McQueen, Cade McQueen, Brittany Hagerman, Taylor Edwards, Michael Riffey, Aprille Kuhar

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Christopher

3. Communications

3.1 Administrator's Reports – Christopher thanked the Administrators for their reports.

3.2 Elementary Presentation – Elementary students shared their writing samples from the year. Students read their work to the board. Writing samples showed the growth from the beginning of the year to current. Board congratulated the students on a job well done thanked them and parents for sharing with them.

4. Public Comment - None

5. Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Watson to approve the Consent Agenda removing items 6.11. Yea Votes: Kirk, Alexander, Nichols, Watson, White, Christopher

*** Consent Agenda (ALL ITEMS ITALICIZED AND IN BOLD)**

5.1 Approval of Minutes from the Regular Session of March 27, 2024

5.2 Financial Reports

5.3 Bills Payable

5.4 Approve 2024-2025 IESA Membership

6. **Employment and Resignation of Personnel****

6.1 Accept Resignation of Kaleb Mitchum, High School English Teacher, as of the end of the 2023-24 School Year

6.2 Accept Resignation of Abbi Barton, High School Business Teacher, as of the end of the 2023-24 School Year

6.3 Approve Retirement of Karon Traylor, Paraprofessional, as of May 31, 2024

6.4 Accept Resignation of Ryan Lightle, Student Government Co-Sponsor, as of the end of the 2023-24 School Year

6.5 Accept Resignation of Abigail Walls, Student Government Co-Sponsor, as of the end of the 2023-24 School Year

6.6 Employ Allen Michel as High School English Teacher for 2024-25 School Year

6.7 Employ Nathan Wise as High School Science Teacher for the 2024-25 School Year

6.8 Update Contract of Clint Fetter, Transportation Coordinator

6.9 Employ Allen Michel as High School Wrestling Coach for the 2024-25 School Year

6.10 Approve Joe Byington as Volunteer High School Wrestling Coach for the 2024-25 School Year

6.11 Employ FCS Teacher

****Note: Final employment of all new employees is contingent on the successful completion of a criminal background check and all necessary local and state requirements.**

7. Discussion Items

7.1 Superintendent's Report & Board Discussion Items – Hacked updated the board on the gym construction. Works have been building the base and next step will be footings. Christopher asked about a ribbon cutting ceremony. Board decided a ribbon cutting at an opening ceremony would be help.

7.2 PRESS 114 -First Reading – Hacke stated that updates are based on the current legislature changes. One new policy is included. Hacke asked Board members to contact him is they would like to schedule a policy committee meeting.

7.3 Public Use of Track Policy – First Reading – Nichols questioned #9 regarding other wheeled items such as skateboards, bicycles, roller skates, etc. Hacke will revise. Alexander asked about lights and timing. Hacke said we can set schedule and adjust as needed. We want to ensure that we don't upset neighbors. Alexander asked when the public would be made aware of this change. Hacke indicated that after the policy was officially adopted, public can be made aware.

8. Items to be Considered for Action

8.1 Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Alexander to approve IHSA Wrestling Cooperative Agreement. Carman stated that Coach Allen will available after Memorial Day for summer camps. Yea Votes: Watson, Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, White, Christopher

8.2 Motion was made by Kirk, seconded by Watson to approve of bids for 2 School buses. Hacke indicated that this follows our previously established replacement schedule. Hacke indicated that the time frame for getting buses would be 18 months after approval bids. Yea Votes: White, Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Watson, Christopher

8.3 Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Watson to approve Bee Project by Ella Eldridge. Presentation was made by Ella Eldridge outline the plan for a hive at the greenhouse location. This will be Eldridge's FFA project. Barn to Barn has agreed to put up a fence on the property to keep hive safe from vandalism/mischief. Board asked Barn to Barn to work with Michael Riffey, Director of Building and Grounds, for specifics. Nichols would like a liability waiver signed by parents acknowledging risks for any students interacting with the bees. Nichols also asked if an EPI pen could be kept at the location for emergencies. Yea Votes: Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Watson, White, Christopher

9. *Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee or office of the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – No Closed Session needed

NOTE: No action will be taken after closed session.

10. *Motion to adjourn at 7:26 pm was made by Kirk, seconded by Alexander. Yea Votes: Nichols, Alexander, Kirk, Watson, White, Christopher

***Denotes Actionable Items**