

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. –January 24th, 2024

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

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

Also Present – Mr. Kyle Hacke, Jon Langellier, Sarah Raynor, Brian Carman, John Downs, Debbie Poffinbarger, Denise Waggener, Michael Riffey, Connie Schroeder, Taylor Edwards, Deb Marsaglia, Aprille Kuhar, Chance Seaton and guardian, Audrey Bishop, Michelle Bishop, Cooper Daniels and guardian, Amore Daniels and guardian, Mattix Morgan and guardian, Matty Morgan and guardian, Olive Fahs and guardian, Harley Kampmann and guardian, Melayna Miller and guardian, Rytex Henderson and guardian, Jaxson Garrison and guardian, Saylor Kozeluh and guardian

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Christopher

3. Communications

3.1 Administrator's Reports – Watson commented that he was happy to see improvement in iReady scores. Raynor added that comparing these reports to past reports, there was more growth than in the past. Christopher thanked the administrators for their reports.

3.2 Elementary Student Presentation – Poffinbarger presented students that had completed the after-school program. 12 students attended the program with 10 representing the program at the meeting. Poffinbarger gave a handout showing the growth of the students from the beginning to the end. See attached for documentation. Each student presented what their favorite part of the program was. Poffinbarger thanked Lacy Strader and Angie Woolsey for their hard work with the program. Students who attending the meeting were Chance Seaton, Audrey Bishop, Cooper Daniels, Amore Daniels, Mattix Morgan, Matty Morgan, Oliver Fahs, Harley Kampmann, Melayna Miler Rytex Henderson, Jaxson Garrison, Saylor Kozeluh.

4. Public Comment – Deb Marsaglia spoke regarding the need for more help in all classrooms.

5. Motion was made by Alexander, seconded by Kirk to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Alexander questioned if we had or would be replacing Marsha Dorr's position. Hacke indicated we had not replaced her yet but will do so. Yea Votes: Nichols, Alexander, Kirk, Pinkston, Watson, White, Christopher

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

5.1 *Approval of Minutes from Truth in Taxation Hearing, Regular and Executive Session on December 20, 2023*

5.2 *Financial Reports*

5.3 *Bills Payable*

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

6.1 *Accept Retirement of Marsha Dorr Effective May 31, 2024*

6.2 *Approve Employment of Amy Smith, Middle School Special Education Teacher for 2024-25 School Year*

7. Discussion Items
- 7.1 Superintendent's Report & Board Discussion Items
- Hacke will forward board members an email from Brian Dayton at Holland giving an update on the gym project.
 - Hacke stated that we have used 3 snow days. A small issue found with Skylert and working to correct. Hacke shared his criteria for his decision making for snow or cold days.
8. Items to be Considered for Action
- *8.1 Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Watson to approve the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes July Through December 2023 and that they remain closed. Yea Votes: Kirk, Alexander, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Christopher
- *8.2 Motion was made by Alexander, seconded by Kirk to approve the High School Wrestling Program. Carman stated that in the board packet there were quotes for the essential start up items. Carman indicated that if board approves the addition of the wrestling program, he would start the process right away for the 2024 2025 season. North Mac will provide the head coach. Total of program will be around \$20,000. That number does not include officials or transportation.
- *8.3 Motion was made by Alexander, seconded by Watson to approve the Middle School Washington, D.C. Trip in January 2025. Mrs. Crim indicated that approximately 25 students indicated interest in the Inaugural trip. Once approved, an informational meeting for parents and student will occur on February 20th. White raised safety concerns sending students to the Inauguration. Yea Votes: Watson, Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Christopher. No Votes: White
- *8.4 Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Watson, to approve the auditor contract with Loy, Miller, Talley, PC for FY 24. Yea Votes: White, Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, Christopher.
9. *Motion was made by Kirk, seconded by Alexander to adjourn to 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). Yea Votes: Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Christopher
- 9.1 Superintendent's Evaluation
- Motion was made by Pinkston, seconded by White to return to open session at 7:44 pm. Yea Votes: Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Christopher
- NOTE: No action will be taken after closed session.**
10. *Motion was made by Alexander, seconded by Kirk to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Yea Votes: Alexander, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Christopher.

***Denotes Actionable Items**