

NORTH MAC COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #34
Regular Board of Education Meeting
North Mac High School Library
231 West Fortune Street, Virden, IL
6:30 p.m. –November 15th, 2023

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

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

Absent – Christopher

Also Present – Kyle Hacke, Sarah Raynor, Jon Langellier, Molly Uhe-Edmonds, Brian Carman, John Downs, Randi Anderson, Debbie Poffinbarger, Denise Waggener, Hailey Marie, Kara Grafton, Tori Baragiola, Michael Riffey, Taylor Edwards, Denise Pope, Anna Allen, London Jessen, Chad Jessen, Jackie Jessen, Derrick Streibig, Michelle Streibig, Julien Streibig, Elana Streibig, Adelyn Streibig, Aprille Kuhar

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-President Alexander

3. Communications

3.1 Administrator's Reports – Uhe- Edmonds stated that the attendance incentive is helping attendance. White asked about iReady for Seniors. Raynor confirmed that Seniors do not take the spring iReady assessment.

3.2 North Mac Intermediate School Presentation – Presentation was made by the Intermediate Music Department. Randi Anderson praise Kara Grafton and the work she has done with students. Anderson stated that Grafton is about the whole student. Grafton is well organized and offers students private lessons. Grafton indicated that students had just finished a unit on composition. Students then played their compositions for the board and invited the board to play as well. Students featured were London Jessen, Julien Streibig, and Elana Streibig.

4. Public Comment - None

5. Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Watson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Yea Votes: Nichols, Kirk, Pinkston, Watson, White, Alexander

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

5.1 Approval of Minutes from Special Board Meeting October 11, 2023 and Regular and Executive Sessions on October 25, 2023

5.2 Financial Reports

5.3 Bills Payable

6. Personnel

- 6.1 Approve Retirement of Sally Meierdirks, Intermediate School Teacher, at the Conclusion of the 2023-24 School Year**
- 6.2 Approve Nicole Fisher as Volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach**
- 6.3 Accept Resignation of Jamie Reside, Secretary, as of November 10, 2023.**
- 6.4 Accept Resignation of Jennifer Branch, Paraprofessional as of November 3, 2023**
- 6.5 Accept Resignation of Tracey Kreipe, Parenting/Child and Adult Care Teacher as of November 30, 2023**
- 6.6 Accept Resignation of David Seabaugh, English and Assistant Football Coach, as of December 20, 2023**
- 6.5 Approve Employment of TJ Dunlevy as High School**
- 6.6 Approve Employment of Kaleb Mitchum as High School English**

****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. Annual Recurring Business

7.1 Approve Early Graduation Requests

- 7.2 *Motion was made by Kirk, seconded by Watson to approve the tentative 2023 tax levy presentation. Alexander asked how our tax rate compares to others in our area. Hacke indicated that it is high due to few businesses and high indebtedness. See attached presentation. Yea Votes: White, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, Alexander.

8. Superintendent's Report & Board Discussion Items

- 8.1 School Report Card/Student Data Presentation – Raynor presented. All schools are in the commendable status. Raynor explained the state report card site and how to use this as a tool. Raynor explained the plan for the future.
- 8.2 Update on Wrestling Program – Carman researched products. Wrestling mat would be \$15,000. Singlets and head gear run around \$50 per athlete. Alexander asked if another survey could be done for grades 6-12 to see interest and evaluate. Hacke indicated that could be done.
- 8.3 PRESS Update 113 – First Reading – Hacke indicated that there were not many significant changes. Most were updates or revisions. Policies will be voted on in December.

9. Items to be Considered for Action

- 9.1 *Motion was made by Pinkston, seconded by Watson, to approve a Van Purchase up to \$35,512. Hacke indicated that he had been contacted by the transportation department regarding the purchase of an additional van. District has added 2 van routes recently. Due to the additional routes and aging van fleet, an additional van is warranted. Notice of Bids was in the paper and bid opening will occur 11/29/2023 at 2:00 pm. Yea Votes: Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Alexander

- 9.2 *Motion was made by Kirk, seconded by Nichols to approve the resolution authorizing discontinuation of certain student activity funds and transfer of student activity fund balances. Yea Votes: Pinkston, Kirk, Nichols, Watson, White, Alexander
- 9.3 *Motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Kirk to approve the IHSA cooperative team renewal request for girls soccer for school years 23-24 and 24-25. Yea Votes: Watson, Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, White, Alexander
10. No Closed Session Needed
*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)

NOTE: No action will be taken after closed session.

11. *Motion was made by Kirk, seconded by Watson to adjourn at 8:25 pm. Yea Votes: Kirk, Nichols, Pinkston, Watson, White, Alexander

***Denotes Actionable Items**