**MERTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Board of Education**

**Monday, December 18, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

President Dobbertin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. Dobbertin announced the meeting was properly posted. Board members present were Dobbertin, Buening, Spindler and Welnetz. District Administrator Russ was in attendance. There were no reporters and approximately 5 citizens.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Buening, second by Spindler to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

**Student Showcase**

Two 3rd graders from Mr. Frei’s class were in attendance to showcase to the board their Google slide presentations on ‘What Multiplication Really Is.’ They talked about factors, square numbers, multiples, products, etc.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Buening, second by Spindler to approve the board meeting minutes of Monday, November 27, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Buening, second by Spindler to approve the board meeting minutes of Wednesday, December 6, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

**Approval of Financial Report and Bill Listing**

Motion by Spindler, second by Buening to approve Payroll Check #553685 in the amount of $591.61, Direct Deposit #900045471-900045580 in the amount of $135,733.94, Wire Transfer #201700188-201700200 in the amount of $134,113.37, Accounts Payable Check #52645-52666 in the amount of $90,030.33, Credit Card Transaction #1020 in the amount of $27,824.16, #171800101 in the amount of $7,126.96 and ACH/Direct Deposit #171800097-171800100 in the amount of $415.42.

Motion carried 4-0.

**Delegations to be Heard**

There were none.

**Administrator’s Report**

1. Action

Motion by Welnetz, second by Spindler to accept the donations as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Spindler, second by Welnetz to approve the Unpaid Leave Request as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

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1. Information
2. Mr. Nettesheim and Mr. Binney were in attendance to give an end of the year update on Buildings and Grounds and Technology in the District.
3. Mr. Russ shared that the Strategic Planning Committee has completed their Mission Statement

**Committee Reports**

1. **Finance Committee**

Business Manager Sherri MacGregor reported to the board that the committee recently met and discussed several topics including:

Land Bids for 2018-2019

PTO Partnership/Primary School Playground

Fund 60 Student Activity Funds Policy

Food Service Account Balance Guidelines

2016-2017 Audit Findings

2018-2019 Budget Calendar

1. **Student Achievement Committee**

This committee met recently to discuss the ongoing Math and Literacy curriculum adoptions.

**Principal’s Report**

Principal Budisch and Principal Posick reported to the board on the Holiday concerts that took place in December, as always, they were AMAZING! The Giving Trees that are set up at both schools had tremendous turn outs with awesome support for our community! The entire Intermediate school attended the movie Wonder, everyone was on their best behavior!

**New Business**

1. **2016-17 Audit Review**

Representatives from the auditing firm of Reilly, Penner & Benton were in attendance to present their final audit findings.

1. **Approve 2018-2019 Lease of District Land (Action)**

Motion by Buening, second by Welnetz to approve a two year contract to Triple K Farms at a price of $161.00 per acre. Motion carried 4-0.

**Future Meeting and Agenda Items**

* January 29, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.

Monthly Meeting

* February 26, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.

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Motion by Dobbertin, second by Welnetz to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Buening

District Clerk