

MERTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education
Special Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2020
6:00 p.m.

President Dobbertin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. Dobbertin announced the meeting was properly posted. Board members in attendance were Dobbertin, Spindler, Welnetz, Neuman and Kent were present virtually. District Administrator Russ was in attendance.

Motion by Welnetz, second by Kent to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Delegations to be Heard

Questions were presented to the Board about possibly re-surveying families for face-to-face versus virtual learning. Additional questions were presented about contract tracing and staffing plans if cases arise.

New Business

A. Personnel Actions (Action)

Motion by Welnetz, second by Spindler to approve the resignation of Julie Behnke and Adina Zeppos as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Welnetz, second by Kent to approve the contract and hiring of Leah Johnson as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 2020-2021 Physical Therapy 66.03 Contract (Action)

Motion by Spindler, second by Welnetz to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Physical Therapy Services for Students 66.0301 Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Approve 2020-2021 Student Handbook (Action)

Motion by Spindler, second by Welnetz to approve the student handbook as presented to the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

D. District wide facility usage community and outside groups (Discussion)

The committee discussed the district wide facility usage for community and outside groups. Schools will be open from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All attending must submit their COVID exposure plan to Dr. Russ. Facilities will be cleaned/disinfected after groups are finished. Conversation also surrounded if any facility fees should be charged due to

additional cleaning. The administration was going to report back in September regarding if an update on cleaning and the additional costs.

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E. Fall Reopening Plan Discussion/Changes (Possible Action)

No changes were made by the Board. The Board continues to be committed to move forward with reopening this Fall with 5 days a week at 100% face to face. Dr. Russ discussed how contact tracing will be handled in case of a positive COVID case and/or direct contact with a COVID positive individual, virtual learning plans, and continued work towards the fall reopening.

F. Merton Intermediate School Remodel Approval to Phase 2 (Possible Action)

Motion by Splindler, second by Welnetz to approve the Merton Intermediate School Remodel plan, Phase 2 as presented to the Board for a possible Spring 2021 remodel. Motion carried unanimously.

Future Meeting and Agenda Items

- August 31, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.
Monthly Meeting
- September 15, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.
Annual Meeting/Budget Meeting
- September 28, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.
Monthly Meeting

Motion by Splinder, second by Neuman to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Welnetz
District Clerk