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MTCHS SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

March 11, 2024

- Date, Place, & Time** An online and in-person meeting of the MTCHS Board of Trustees convened at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2024. The meeting was held at Meridian Technical Charter High School, 3800 N. Locust Grove, Meridian, Idaho.
- Attendance** Chairman Wally Hedrick, Diane DeSpain, Staci Low, Larry Andrews, Jim Bradbury, Administrator Randy Yadon, Beth Richtsmeier, Mora Claflin, and guest observer Margo Hollingworth attended.
- Call to Order** Chairman Wally Hedrick called the meeting to order at 4:00.
- Consent Agenda** Approval of minutes from the February 12 Board Meeting. Staci Low moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Larry Andrews. Motion carried.
- Approval of Monthly Financial Statement. Motion to approve payment of the bills by Larry Andrews, seconded by Diane DeSpain. Motion carried.
- Discussion/Action Items** Personnel: Administration Recommendations
- a. We had hired Rick Kennedy for the Director of Development position, but he decided it wasn't right for him. Administration recommends we pivot from what we were trying to do and redirect funds. The first part of this is to recommend hiring Duane Erickson to be the Workplace Coordinator. As our Computer Science teacher and a business owner, he knows our programs and has connections in the business community and is interested in more business outreach. Motion to approve the hire of Duane Erickson for our Workbase Learning Coordinator by Diane DeSpain, seconded by Staci Low. Motion carried.
 - b. With Duane doing more of the business outreach, administration is proposing hiring Jennifer Bradford as a Workbase Learning Coordinator/CTE Career Counselor. She has extensive experience in CTE and would teach Employment Prep and Senior Seminar. Motion to hire Jennifer Bradford by Staci Low, seconded by Jim Bradbury. Motion carried.
 - c. Julie Grainger Retirement. Julie is one of our math teachers and has been with us for seven years. Motion to approve retirement by Jim Bradbury, seconded by Staci Low. Motion carried.
- April 15 is our Annual Board Meeting. Last year we asked board members to commit to two- or three-year terms. Jim Bradbury – two years, Larry Andrews – two years, Staci Low – three years, Diane DeSpain- two years, Nick Crabbs – three years, Wally – three years. No one is up for reelection. We will be looking for a parent representative to join the board.



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Administrative Hiring Process and Timeline. Application for new administrator is open and will be up through March 20. We currently have nine applications. Larry, Staci, Beth, Karl von der Ehe will conduct interviews, and then staff, students, and the board will have a chance to talk to the finalists.

Principal's Report

Electronics Program Review. Department of CTE comes out and does a full program review. We submit our material, the program quality manager comes out and reviews with the teacher and comes back with any recommendations.

Adjournment

The next board meeting will be our Annual Meeting on April 15 at 4:00.

Motion to adjourn at 4:30 by Staci Low, seconded Diane DeSpain. Motion carried.