

MELBA SCHOOL DISTRICT #136
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, January 9, 2018
Melba School District Office

- I. CALL TO ORDER at 5:00 by Chairman Ed Smith.** Flag salute was held.
- II. ROLL CALL:** In attendance were Trustees Ed Smith, Travis Christensen, Susan Jaca, and Megan Volkens, Superintendent Andy Grover, Administrative Assistant Jackie Engle, Board Clerk Beth Cole, Principals Eric Forsgren and Sherry Ann Adams, Transportation Supervisor Bill Dyas and Student Council representatives Mindy Lincoln, Clint Svedin and Brayden Christensen,

Spirit Leader Clint Svedin and Freshman Class President Brayden Christensen reported on their successful Christmas week. They were able to collect \$1692.79 from students to donate to Beckham Bice, a student battling cancer. They are now planning for Student Council Convention.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was passed.

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of 12/12/2017
- C. Approval of Bills of 1/9/2018 and misc. hand checks
- D. Approval of Elementary, Jr/Sr High financial reports

Motion to approve by Trustee Megan Volkens.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. Superintendent Grover gave the State of the District Report, highlighting several accomplishments during the past year. Melba School District is very visible in the county and the state. This status is important in receiving consideration for grants and other opportunities. Programs to encourage college and career readiness in students are increasing and awareness from parents is improving. Concern over proficiency rates in Math and Language will drive several academic goals in the coming year. Buildings and grounds improvements are very evident and with the concrete planned for this year the campus is 'looking good!'

Bill Dyas reported that the new bus is here and another scheduled to join the fleet in June. There is a continuing need for drivers. The Technology Department is working hard to keep up with demand for more capacity. An average of 1550 devices are logged onto the district each day.

Dr. Adams discussed enrollment increases and the use of the new elementary building. They are working with Ms. Jones, a staff member completing her Masters Degree, in aligning all curriculum, emphasizing the math program of study. Consideration of an all-day Kindergarten will be discussed. Mr. Forsgren reported an improved graduation rate and excellent participation in activities at the high school. Increased enrollment in dual credit classes has benefitted many students.

Dr. Grover added that the future is in good hands and students can expect a great experience in Melba schools. The path forward is set and a budget to support the improvements necessary will be an important part of the coming year.

- B. **Superintendent Grover reported that student numbers** are stable at 830.
- C. **A proposed calendar for the 2018-2019 school year was reviewed.** This draft will be sent to employees for additional input.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. No action was taken on the contractor payment.

B. No action was taken on the architect payment.

C. A motion to approve the facilities use request for the Melba Little League Basketball program was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Megan Volkers
Vote was unanimous.

D. A motion to approve the open enrollment report as presented was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

E. A motion to approve extended trip requests for the wrestling team to travel to Weiser, Wendell and Garden Valley was passed.

Motion by Trustee Megan Volkers.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

F. A motion to approve the extended trip request for the Art Club to travel to McCall was passed.

Motion by Trustee Megan Volkers.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

G. No personnel report was received.

VI. STANDING REPORTS

A. The board reviewed the Superintendent and Principal reports.

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 5:45 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Motion carried.