

Mitchell Community Schools  
Regular Session – Board of Trustees  
December 14, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Trustees of Mitchell Community Schools met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on December 14, 2020 in the Administration Center of Mitchell Community Schools at 441 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Mitchell Indiana. Members present were: Christopher Shaw, Patrick Redman, Crystal Mikels, Steve Burton, and Cindy Brooking along with Superintendent Dr. Brent Comer, and Attorney Greg Pittman.

Mr. Shaw gave the call to order

Mr. Burton made and Mr. Redman seconded a motion to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of :
  1. Regular Session –November 9, 2020
  2. Executive Session – November 12, 2020
  3. Superintendent Contract Hearing – December 1, 2020
  4. Special Session – December 8, 2020
  
- Financial Reports:
  1. Corporation –November, 2020
  2. Extra-Curricular – November, 2020
  
- Claims: #2738 to #2839
  
- Conference Leave Request  
N/A
  
- Resignations/Retirements
- Annie Chumley – MJHS Aide -- Resignation -- Effective November 30, 2020
- Tammie Tomlinson – Hatfield Aide -- Resignation -- Effective December 4, 2020
- Riley Voorhies – Speech Language Pathology Aide (Hatfield) -- Resignation -- Effective December 11, 2020

Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Redman made and Mr. Burton seconded a motion to approve the recommendation to post School Psychologist Position. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mr. Burton seconded a motion to approve the recommendation to approve reciprocal increase to administrative salaries. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Burton made and Mr. Redman seconded a motion to advertise 2021 MCS budget. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Burton made and Mr. Redman seconded a motion to approve revised licensed administrative staff pay schedule and benefits. Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Brooking made and Mr. Redman seconded a motion to approve Policy #8510 Health and Nutrition Plan. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mr. Burton seconded a motion to approve capital projects financed through bonds and authorization of publication to advertise public hearings. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mr. Burton seconded a motion to approve the MHS 2020-2021 Semester I Final Exam/Attendance Incentive. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mrs. Brooking seconded a motion to approve Mitchell Jr. High Dance Team competitions. Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mrs. Brooking seconded a motion to employ:

- Patty Phelps – MHS Virtual School Support – Effective December 14, 2020
- Ada Reynolds – MHS Virtual School Support – Effective December 14, 2020
- Courtney Nolan – Request for 30 Day Medical Leave – Effective January 5, 2020
- Becky Mason – Junior Class Concessions Sponsor for Boy's Basketball – Effective 2020-2021 Season

Motion Carried 5-0

Mr. Redman made and Mrs. Brooking seconded a motion to transfer:

- Jessica Jones from Burris Elementary Principal to MCS Assistant Superintendent – Effective January 1, 2020

Motion Carried 5-0

Mr. Burton made and Mr. Redman seconded a motion to transfer:

- Melissa Gilbert from MJHS Assistant Principal to Burris Elementary Principal – Effective January 1, 2020

Dr. Comer gave an update regarding current virtual learning. He described the many successes of the district during the first semester of this school year due to the efforts of the MCS faculty and staff. He also described there may be a need to explore some other health/safety options as a new semester approaches. Examples included beginning the second semester with four eLearning days as well as possibly looking at making every Wednesday an eLearning day.

Ms. Jones expressed her appreciation to the school board for the opportunity to assist in leading the district as Assistant Superintendent. She also expressed great appreciation to the Burris Elementary Staff and excitement for the new leadership Mrs. Gilbert would provide.

Mrs. Gilbert also expressed her appreciation to the school board for the opportunity to lead Burris Elementary School. Accolades were given to Ms. Jones for her leadership and she expressed great appreciation for Mrs. May and the MJHS faculty and staff.

Mr. Redman made and Mr. Burton seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0

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Christopher S. Shaw

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Patrick Redman

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Crystal D. Mikels

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Steve Burton

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Cynthia Brooking

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