



DeSmet School District #20

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
6:00 pm Monday, August 26th, 2024
In the School Library

Trustees Present: Synthia Wendell, Sigrid Sheie, Katie Brubaker

Trustees Absent: Heather Burgad, Jasmine Dahlquist

Others Present: Matthew Driessen, Freyja Erikson

Regular Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Synthia Wendell called the meeting to order at 6:13pm and the meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

II. Introduction/Comments of Guests on Items not on the Agenda

III. Recognition of Students and Staff

IV. Board Correspondence

V. Business Manager's Report

A. Action: Review/Approval of Minutes

[\[8.19.24 Minutes\]](#)

A motion was made first by Sigrid Sheie to approve the minutes from 8.19.24. This motion was seconded by Katie Brubaker and was carried unanimously

B. Action: Review/Approval of Warrants

[August Warrants]

A motion was made first by Sigrid Sheie to approve the August 26th Warrants. This motion was seconded by Katie Brubaker and was carried unanimously.

C. Action: MTSBA Board Policy Maintenance Program

\$4,000 for an initial policy manual overhaul, \$900 annual maintenance fee for subsequent years

A motion was made first by Sigrid Sheie to approve the MTSBA Board Policy Maintenance Program. This motion was seconded by Katie Brubaker, and was carried unanimously.

VI. Superintendent's Report

- A. Action: Approval of Student Attendance Agreements

A motion was made to approve the Student Attendance Agreements first by Sigrid Sheie to

VII. Personnel Report

- A. Action: Hire of Lindsey McGee as Volleyball Coach, to receive a stipend of \$1,000
- B. Action: Hire of Savannah Stern as Volleyball Coach, to receive a stipend of \$1,000

A motion was made first by Katie Brubaker to approve the hire of Lindsey McGee and Savannah Stern as Co-Volleyball Coaches, each to receive a stipend of \$1,000. This motion was seconded by Sigrid Sheie, and was carried unanimously.

- C. Action: Addition of Sophia Davis to the sublist (pending background check)
- D. Action: Addition of Charlene Bullen to the sublist (pending background check)

A motion was made first by Sigrid Sheie to approve the addition of both Sophia Davis and Charlene Bullen to the sublist. This motion was seconded by Katie Brubaker, and was carried unanimously.

VIII. Committee Updates

Mr. Driessen relayed that in regards to legislation concerning the TIF-District proposed for DeSmet School District, he has been advised to pursue change at the legislative level. He expressed his disdain for the way the TIF Districts have been set up historically, and feels that the local municipalities are exploiting children of the district by taking funds away from schools.

IX. Upcoming Meetings

Monday, September 16th

X. Comments of Guest & School Board Members on Items Not on the Agenda

XI. Adjourn

A unanimous motion was made to adjourn, first by Sigrid Sheie, and seconded by Katie Brubaker, at 6:55pm, and the motion was adjourned.