

**MERIDIAN CUSD 101
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Meridian CUSD #101 Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Carl Riley.

ROLL CALL

Members present included Carl Riley- President, Jill Bosecker – Vice President, Jerri Thurston, Nancy Killius, Mike Hileman and George Floyd. Warren Jackson – Secretary absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA 6:03 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by George Floyd to approve the agenda with the following additions: add item 10.10 (Truth in Taxation) and item 10.11 (Band Extended Fieldtrip).

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, George Floyd, Nancy Killius, Jill Bosecker, Carl Riley, and Jerri Thurston; NAYS: 0; ABSENT:1 - Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA 6:13 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Jill Bosecker to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Jill Bosecker, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

TARGETED ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH GOVERNANCE (TAG) WORKSHOP SCHEDULED

It was the consensus of the board to hold the TAG workshop on December 15, 2009 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Immediately following the TAG workshop there will be a special public hearing board meeting from 6:30 – 6:45 p.m. The regularly scheduled board meeting will begin at 6:45 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION/MERIDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION JOINT WINTER CELEBRATION

The BOE/MEA Joint Winter Celebration will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2009. Details of location and caterer are to be determined.

APPROVAL OF THE SHAWNEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE COOPERATIVE LETTER OF INTENT 8:06 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Jill Bosecker to approve the Shawnee Community College Cooperative Letter of Intent as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Jill Bosecker, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF THE SCHOOL LIBRARY PER CAPITA GRANT AS
PRESENTED 8:07 P.M.**

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve the School Library Per Capita Grant as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Mike Hileman, George Floyd, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, Nancy Killius; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED TAX LEVY FOR 2010 8:22 P.M.

A motion was made by Nancy Killius and seconded by Jill Bosecker to approve the Tax Levy Rate Increase to be 14.47% for 2010 as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 2 – George Floyd and Mike Hileman; NAYS: 4 – Nancy Killius, Jill Bosecker, Carl Riley, and Jerri Thurston; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION FAILED**

**APPROVAL TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 16, 2009 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THE TAX LEVY
RATE FOR 2010 8:23 P.M.**

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Nancy Killius to schedule a special board meeting on Monday, November 16, 2009 to further discuss the Tax Levy Rate Increase for 2010.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 -Jill Bosecker, Nancy Killius, Jerri Thurston, Carl Riley, George Floyd, and Mike Hileman; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE DELTA DENTAL UNDERWRITING ASSUMPTIONS
8:37 P.M.**

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Nancy Killius to approve the Delta Dental Underwriting Assumptions as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Nancy Killius, Mike Hileman, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF THE RAMPD GRANT AGREEMENT AS PRESENTED
8:38 P.M.**

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Jerri Thurston to approve the RAMPD (Rural Access to Math through Professional Development) Grant Agreement as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Jerri Thurston Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, Jill Bosecker, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF THE DANA CROSS WASTE WATER OPERATIONS
CONTRACT AS PRESENTED 8:40 P.M.**

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve the Dana Cross Waste Water Operations contract as presented.

**Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF THE TARGET FIELD TRIP GRANT AS PRESENTED

8:43 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Nancy Killius to approve the Target Field Trip Grant submitted by Gayla Dial as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, Jill Bosecker, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE 2008-09 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS

8:44 P.M.

A motion was made by Nancy Killius and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve the 2008-09 Annual Statement of Affairs as presented.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Nancy Killius, Mike Hileman, Carl Riley, Jill Bosecker, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL TO DEFER THE DISCUSSION OF THE TRUTH IN TAXATION TO THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2009 8:45 P.M.

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It was the consensus of the board to defer the discussion of the Truth in Taxation to the Special Board Meeting to be held on November 16, 2009.

APPROVAL OF THE BAND EXTENDED FIELD TRIP WITH CERTAIN STIPULATIONS 8:50 P.M.

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve the Meridian High School Band's field trip to New York City April 29 – May 2, 2010 with the stipulation that the students must have their own money to cover expenses. **Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, George Floyd, Carl Riley, and Jerri Thurston; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson**

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:52 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Nancy Killius to convene in Executive Session for the discussion of:

- 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1);
- 2) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(10);
- 3) litigation when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered in the minutes of the closed meeting. (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(11)

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, Jill Bosecker, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

OPEN SESSION 10:00 P.M.

A motion was made by George Floyd and seconded by Jill Bosecker to reconvene in open session.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – George Floyd, Jill Bosecker, Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, and Jerri Thurston;; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL TO HIRE JOAN GOHN AS PART-TIME SPEECH THERAPIST 10:01 P.M.

A motion was made by Mike Hileman and seconded by Jerri Thurston to hire Joan Gohn as part-time Speech Therapist for 2 days per week at a daily rate of \$306.43.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Mike Hileman, Jerri Thurston, George Floyd, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, and Jill Bosecker; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL TO HIRE JOSHUA ACKLIN AS CUSTODIAN 10:03 P.M.

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Jerri Thurston to hire Joshua Acklin as custodian effective December 1, 2009.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Jerri Thurston, Nancy Killius, Mike Hileman, Carl Riley, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL TO REIMBURSE LIONEL WADDY FOR TRANSPORTATION 10:03 P.M.

A motion was made by George Floyd and seconded by Jerri Thurston to reimburse Lionel Waddy \$2,975.90 for 28 days of transportation.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – George Floyd, Jerri Thurston, Jill Bosecker, Nancy Killius, Mike Hileman, and Carl Riley; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF DR. BULLOCK TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CONFERENCE DECEMBER 5-9, 2009 10:04 P.M.

A motion was made by Jill Bosecker and seconded by Mike Hileman to approve Dr. Bullock attending the National Staff Development Council Conference December 5-9, 2009.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Jill Bosecker, Mike Hileman, Nancy Killius, Carl Riley, Jerri Thurston, and George Floyd; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT 10:05 P.M.

A motion was made by Nancy Killius and seconded by Jerri Thurston to adjourn.

Member Vote: AYES: 6 – Nancy Killius, Jerri Thurston, Mike Hileman, Carl Riley, George Floyd, and Jill Bosecker; NAYES: 0; ABSENT:1 – Warren Jackson
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL: _____

President – Carl Riley

Secretary—Warren Jackson