Morton School District #214
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETIN
October 08, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Don Powell called the working session to order at 3:00 pm. The flag salute was given.

The board members present were Mr. Don Powell, Mr. Chase Buffington, Mrs. Betty Hutchison and Mr. Warren Dunlap. Mr. Don Powell verified a quorum was present.

Mr. Don Powell excused Ms. Pat Saldaña from the meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Mrs. Betty Hutchison made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Chase Buffington seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve Overnight Stay for Cross Country Team for Saturday, October 10th

Mr. Warren Dunlap made a motion to approve the overnight stay for the cross country team for Saturday, October 10th, Mrs. Betty Hutchison seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. Mr. Don Powell asked where this is? Mr. John Hannah stated this is a 24 hour race the students will be running shifts in, the team is trying to get the schedule straightened out so there is no overnight stay, however we wanted to cover the bases that if they do not need to stay the night it will be taken care of. The vote carried 4-0.

Approve Tentative Agreement with the MEA

Mr. Hannah explained this is the offer the district made to the MEA before the end of negotiations. We increased the number of Tri-Days this year by 2, and 1 next year. The other item is a professional day allowing teachers to work in the building either with a mentor or on paperwork for reporting and allowing them to have a substitute. This day has to have principal agreement. Planning time at the Jr/Sr. High, this will allow for the block scheduling at the Jr/Sr. High School. The Elementary will be working with the building Principal to move the schedule to allow to 45 minute blocks, this is not a guarantee. Language has been cleaned up on the evaluation language. There is language that has been crossed out about state assessments which related to being a RAD school, this has been changed to if this is state mandated. There are a few changes made to follow the WACs and RCWs. There is clarification on language for forms with the self evaluation and goals. There is some progress monitoring language added. Observation time-line was extended from 3-5 days, a lot of times there is a 1 day turn around, but this will allow for technology issues, illness, etc. Online forms were started last year,

the language has been updated to represent the online system. In the past, 2 early release days were allowed to be union meetings. This has been updated to a district discussion regarding the evaluation language. Re-openers has been updated, next years contract days have already been negotiated, so this will not be allowed to open negotiations for next year, there are 3 additional openers added. Mr. Warren Dunlap wanted to know who came up with the schedule to give elementary teachers 190 minutes of prep time. Mr. Warren Dunlap wanted to know how they work that out with their schedules, in the Jr/Sr. High has a whole period to count, so he isn't sure how this would work with the Elementary. Mr. Hannah explained this is being met already, they are over 200 minutes at the Elementary. Ms. Pat Saldana made a motion to approve the tentative agreement with the MEA and Morton School District, Mr. Chase Buffington seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote was 5-0. Mr. John Hannah stated he will sign the tentative agreement, and will be bringing the final agreement for approval at a board meeting.

Mr. Don Powell wanted the record to show that Ms. Pat Saldana arrived at 3:05.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Betty Hutchison made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:16 pm. Mr. Warren Dunlap seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. The vote 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board Chairman

Attest: Board Secretary

Board Member

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Board Member