

CATO-MERIDIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2006

PRESENT: Kathleen Bratt, President
Charles Ware, Vice President
Dean Cummins
Heidi Dennison
Roxanne Miller

ALSO PRESENT: Deborah Bobo, Superintendent
Janice Lee, District Clerk
Crosby Lamont, Jr. – Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ann Marie Dillon, Elementary Principal
Sean Gleason, Middle School Principal
Charles Mitchell, Interim High School Principal
Lou Chistolini, Assistant High School Principal
Margaret Schlegel, Director of Pupil Personnel Services
Staff Members
Community Members

WHERE HELD: District Conference Room

The meeting was called to order by President Kathleen Bratt at 6:00 pm.

Pledge to the flag.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Miller, the board entered executive session at 6:01 pm to discuss the medical, financial credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Exec. Session

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

The board moved from executive session at 7:09 pm.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the agenda was approved moving Vh to follow the capital project report .

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Mr. Fay discussed the capital project. He indicated that the punch list should be complete by the first part of June and the total project will be completed by September.

Capital Project

Mr. Ostroski gave an overview of the Tour de Sol and the status of the Sunpacer.

Tour de Sol

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Miller, Doreen McCarthy was appointed as sub teacher effective in May, 2006 at \$60/day.

Appt. McCarthy

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Dennison, seconded by Mr. Ware, Kevin McGowan was appointed assistant track coach at Step 1 - \$2,266.92 prorated.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Appt. McGowan

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, Erica Grunder was appointed as volunteer assistant softball coach.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Appt. Grunder

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, Tammie Hamrick was appointed as part time long term teacher aide 8:30-1:00 daily at \$7.42/hour effective April 4 through June 30, 2006.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Appt. Hamrick

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Ware, Scott Davis was promoted to bus mechanic effective April 3, 2006 at \$29,634 prorated.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Promote S. Davis

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ware, Gary Hoyt was appointed as custodian, conditional on the results of fingerprinting. effective April 4, 2006.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Appt. G. Hoyt

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, Steven Smith was appointed as sub custodian effective upon receipt of fingerprinting results.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Appt. S. Smith

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the resignation of Kelly Wheeler as teacher aide was accepted effective March 30, 2006.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Wheeler Resign

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the creation of the position of aquatics director for the rec center was approved.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Create Aquatics Dir.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, the minutes of the meeting held on February 13, 2006 were approved.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 Minutes

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ware, the minutes of the meeting held on March 20, 2006 were approved.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the minutes of the Committee on Special Education minutes were approved.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0 CSE Minutes

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the 2006-07 school calendar was adopted.
06-07 Calendar

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Ware, the following policies were reviewed and readopted: Policies

6440	Negotiations
3140	Flag Display
3310	Public Access to Records
6110	Code of Ethics for all District Personnel
6120	Equal Employment Opportunity
6151	Drug-Free Workplace
7211	Provision of Sign Language Interpreters for Deaf Parents
7531	Sexual Harassment
1312	Code of Conduct

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the second reading of policy 5324 was waived.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ware, policy 5324 Meals and Refreshments was adopted.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the AIS Plans for the middle school and high school were accepted. AIS Plans

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, an equipment request from the Cato Fire Department to borrow the portable projection screen for their annual banquet on April 8, 2006 was approved. Equipment Request

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Mr. Lamont discussed 4th draft of the proposed 2006-07 budget. State aid has increased 6.89% and the tax levy is estimated to increase 4.19%. Budget

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Miller, the following bills were approved: Bills

SN 102	240,109.86
SN 103	4,440.19
SN 104	6,143.81

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

The administrators updated the board on current events.

Public comments included the volunteer policy; lawyer bills and addressing rumors.

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ware, approval was granted for the Fire Department to use the high school on April 15th for training at no cost to the district.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Bldg. Use

The board asked for a school lunch report, extracurricular report and further information on industrial appraisal. Mr. Lamont will also need the board to make a decision on the BOCES payment length. These items will be included on the April 17th agenda.

Mrs. Bratt asked for board members to attend the public budget presentations. They will contact the district office.

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the board entered executive session at 9:12 pm to discuss the medical, financial credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Exec. Session

The board moved from executive session at 10:42 pm.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, the meeting was adjourned at 10 42 pm.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Adjourn

Janice Lee, District Clerk