



**MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
December 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Item 1. Call to order / Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

Superintendent Pallin called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m., all attendees participated in the pledge and a moment of silence. Board members present were Tina Grove, Lisa Terry, and Bob Mitchell and Board Chair Wills Pike. Also present were Superintendent Laurie Pallin, Assistant Superintendent Dianne Vumback and Student Board Representatives Alexa Beams and Adam Gallagher.

Item 2. Election of Chair

Motion: To elect Lisa Terry as chair

Proposed by: Tina Grove
Seconded by: Carol Burgess
Vote: Carried (vote 5-0)

Item 3. Discussion of the role of Student Board Reps

Participation on agenda items:

- *Chair- Ask if student reps have any comments on the agenda item*
- *Bring fresh ideas to the Board*
- *Keep student report in its current location on agenda*
- *Would be interested in speaking on agenda items that relate to students*

Input on Subcommittee Meetings:

Based upon topics, could attend some meetings

- *Sent meeting invitations for subcommittees to student reps: they would check agenda on website to see if there are relevant items. (Could share ideas with the committee if they are unable to attend)*

Communicating Student Opinions:

- *What specific topics the Board want to hear about from students? Tell students ahead of the meeting so they can assemble information*
- *Follow up on social media assemblies at Board meeting*
- *Vet this through the MHS administration before bringing to Board (reps email drafts to principal at least the day before meeting)*

- *Should reps reach out to student government rep at Tyl? Get monthly email report from Tyl student council rep. Reach out to Mrs. Carvalho for contract.*

Reporting Student Events:

- *Try to highlight future events so Board can get involved*
- *Report on events that help to ease transitions of the MS student to HS*

Item 4. Future agenda items

- *Communication about 2024-2025 budget*
- *Discuss idea of topic specific coffee hours with Board Reps*

Item 5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn 5:34 P.M.

Proposed by: Bob Mitchell

Seconded by: Tina Grove

Vote: Carried (vote 5-0)

Respectfully Submitted by,

Lisa Terry
Communications Committee Chair