

**The Mountain Community School Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
May 23, 2023  
Location: The Mountain Community School

**Call to Order**

6:05 p.m. by Aimie Burns

**Board Members present:** Aimie Burns, Sarah Cosgrove, Carina Erkel, Lauren Tilden, Amy Bracken, Brad Ward, Rick Prudhomme, Rebecca Schwartz

**Staff members present:** Anthony Johnson, Cathey Chet

**Also present:** Bethel Dirks, Jeanette Butterworth

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion made to approve the agenda by Rick Prudhomme; seconded by Brad Ward.  
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of April 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Motion made to approve the April meeting minutes by Carina Erkel; seconded by Amy Bracken.  
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Moment of Appreciation for Jeanette Butterworth**

**Principal's Report**

- Annual Budget Report shows a \$25,000 month-to-date surplus, and a year-to-date surplus just under \$46,000. A deficit should still show due to this year's salary raises and a grant for the School Health Advisory Council, all of which will not be spent.
- Surveys have been sent out to staff internally as well as to school families. Sixty-plus families have responded so far. Discipline has been marked as an area that can be improved. This summer a discipline matrix will be created for the school.
- EOGs are completed, and scores are available. Many students are returning for remediation and retesting. Math is an area where extra tutoring will be offered next year.
- End-of-Year Goals and Reflections:
  - Increase communication between home and the classroom regarding student citizenship.
  - Assign sections of the campus for each grade level to take on and improve.
  - Create a fundraising calendar for the year.
- Read-a-thon was a success: 55,000-plus minutes were read and \$8,500 was raised.
- Budget for 2023-2024 School Year includes:
  - Increase in teacher salaries; if the state offers a higher raise in its budget, then that amount will be applied. Includes a four percent increase for non-certified personnel.
  - No expenses for Discovery Park were included in the budget due to an upcoming Eagle Scout Project and fundraising plans. This allows for a surplus in the budget to cover potential teacher salary increases.

**Closed Session**

Motion made to enter closed session by Rick Prudhomme; seconded by Brad Ward. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion made to exit closed session by Rick Prudhomme; seconded by Carina Erkel. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of the 2023-2024 School Year Budget Report**

- Change proposed of a 6% increase in principal salary.
- A further salary increase for staff will be considered once the state budget for the next year is clarified.

Motion made to approve the 2023-2024 budget by Rick Prudhomme; seconded by Amy Bracken. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Other Business**

- The next board meeting is July 25, 2023 at 6 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn by Rick Prudhomme; seconded by Amy Bracken. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm by Aimie Burns.

Submitted by Bethel Dirks