MINUTES
MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 23, 2020, MHS Auditorium 8:00 a.m.

Present:

Board Members: President Ron Blunck, Vice President Gaylene Adams, Adam Toone, Kelly Preece and Lars Birkeland via telephone.

District Staff: Superintendent Doug Jacobs, Business Administrator Scott McMillan, Secretary Jana Brown

Other Staff and Patrons: Crae Wilson, Kade Morrell, Jennifer Samples, Robert Kilmer, Gwen Romero, Dustin Rock, Leslie Christiansen.

Welcome: President Blunck welcomed those in attendance.

Discussion Items:

Morgan High School Closure and Reopening

Superintendent Jacobs reported that there were 21 positive COVID cases at MHS last week, causing a soft closure for at least 2 weeks. The Board tentative set a reopening date for December 7, 2020; however, there have been questions regarding whether extracurricular teams/groups can practice during that time. He discussed the new health directive from the governor indicating that extracurricular activities could resume by November 30, 2020, but all participants including coaches/advisors must be tested.

Action Items:

MOTION: President Blunck moved to reopen the high school as scheduled on December 7, 2020.
SECOND: Gaylene Adams
DISCUSSION: Adam Toone questioned whether the reopening could happen earlier. President Blunck noted that the earliest date to reopen would be December 2, 2020. The Board members discussed the pros and cons for both dates.
APPROVAL: Ron Blunck and Kelly Preece voted in favor of December 7th and Gaylene Adams, Adam Toone, and Lars Birkeland voted against. The motion fails.

MOTION: Adam Toone moved to reconvene the high school for in-person instruction on Thursday, December 3, 2020.
SECOND: Gaylene Adams
DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion.
APPROVAL: The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Gaylene Adams moved to approve that athletes and extracurricular activities may resume on November 30th with testing that the high school verifies.
SECOND: President Blunck
DISCUSSION: Adam Toone recommended that the motion be amended to include a negative test result. Gaylene Adams withdrew her previous motion.

MOTION: Gaylene Adams moved to approve that athletes and extracurricular activities may resume on November 30th with a diagnostic negative test result that is approved.
SECOND: President Blunck
DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion.
APPROVAL: The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

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Business Administrator, Scott McMillan