

Montague Area Public Schools
Board of Education
Monthly Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular Board meeting held on December 8, 2025.

The regular Board meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the MHS CAT Lab by President, Brent Raeth.

Members Present: Raeth, Neubauer, Francis, Smith, Fullmer, Rupert, Dahl

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Jeffrey Johnson, Stacey Brown, Michelle Pulver, and other staff and community members.

Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by: Smith

Seconded by: Dahl

All voted yes – motion carried (7-0)

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by: Dahl

Seconded by: Smith

Items Approved:

- a) Approval of minutes from the November 11 regular and closed meetings.
- b) Approval of expenditures for a total of \$660,072.11; General Fund \$399,771.03; Food Service \$69,639.16; Technology and Safety Fund \$6,380.39; Activity Fund \$17,402.78; Capital Projects Fund \$81,994.75; Sinking Fund \$84,884.00

All voted yes – motion carried (7-0)

Public Comment Portion of the Meeting

Ann Trevino, 7892 S. 48th Avenue, Montague. Requesting better line of communication between the schools and her regarding her children.

Principal Meaningful Minute:

High School – Winter sports and extracurricular clubs have started. FFA students Dylan Bailey and Cole Herremans will be interviewed for the State Star FFA award. The choirs and bands will present their holiday music concerts this Sunday.

NBC – The middle school Robotics team did well in their competition, finishing in the top 25 teams. The choirs and bands will present their holiday music concerts this Sunday. The 6th thru 12th grade bands will play at 3 p.m. and the 6th thru 12th grade choirs will perform at 7 p.m.

RRO – Several grade levels are having their winter/holiday concerts. Grinch Night is this Thursday. The PTO is hosting Santa's Secret Shop next week.

MACC – Mrs. Stoneman thanked the PTO for all their support and activities they provide for the MACC students. There will be a "Santa Trail" for the students next week and Santa may even make a quick visit!

Financial Update:

Stacey Brown presented the first budget amendment for the 2025-2026 school year.

Superintendent Update:

Mr. Johnson shared new hires:

- Bethsaida Salas – LRE Aide at RRO

Mr. Johnson shared information on the 31aa funds the district receives annually. He also shared that the City of Montague received a conditional commitment to receive a Safe Routes To School Grant, with hopes that it will be implemented in the Spring of 2028.

New Business**A. Budget Amendment #1**

Motion by: Dahl

Seconded by: Fullmer

To approve the amendment to the 2025-26 budget as presented.

All voted yes – (7-0) motion carried

B. 2024-25 Single Audit

Motion by: Neubauer

Seconded by: Francis

To approve the 2024-25 single audit as presented.

All voted yes – (7-0) motion carried

C. Graphics Vendor

Motion by: Smith

Seconded by: Francis

To approve D & S Creations to provide graphics services to the District, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 per year.

All voted yes – (7-0) motion carried

D. Second Reading of Board Policies

Amend motion:

Motion by: Smith

Second by: Neubauer

To amend Item D to add policy 8300 to the list of policies to be adopted.

Motion by: Dahl

Seconded by: Smith

To approve the second reading and adoption of policies 1422, 2210, 2266, 2412, 3122, 4122, 4162, 7540.02, 8300 and 8305.

All voted yes – (7-0) motion carried

E. First Reading of Policy 5517.01

There was a first review of policy 5517.01.

Adjournment

Motion by: Francis

Seconded by: Dahl

To adjourn the December 8, 2025, regular Board meeting at 6:55 p.m.

All voted yes – (7-0) motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Pulver

Michelle Pulver, Recording Secretary

Cindy Francis

Cindy Francis, Board Secretary