



# Meridian Technical Charter High School

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## MTCHS SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

September 17, 2024

- Date, Place, & Time** An online and in-person meeting of the MTCHS Board of Trustees convened at 4:01 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2024. The meeting was held at Meridian Technical Charter High School, 3800 N. Locust Grove, Meridian, Idaho.
- Call to Order** Chairman Wally Hedrick called the regular meeting to order at 4:04.
- Attendance** Chairman Wally Hedrick, Diane DeSpain, Larry Andrews, Jim Bradbury, Nick Crabbs, guest Tami Hansen, Administrator Craig Miller, and Mora Claffin attended.
- Consent Agenda** Approval of minutes from the August 19 Board Meeting. Diane DeSpain moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Larry Andrews. Motion carried.
- Approval of Monthly Financial Statement. Motion to approve payment of the bills by Nick Crabbs, seconded by Jim Bradbury. Motion carried.
- Public Comment** Sign in sequence (New SB1361). There were no public comments.
- Discussion/Action Items** **New board member consideration**  
Tami Hansen is a mother of two students at MTCHS; a Junior and a Freshman. Brief introductions and questions from board members. Motion to appoint Tami Hansen for a one-year term by Diane DeSpain, seconded by Nick Crabbs. Motion carried.
- Policy Discussion**  
Policy 702.57 Transportation Discipline: revised from a page and a half to one paragraph, discussion of empowering bus drivers with the authority to refer students to building administration for disciplinary action. Motion to approve the Policy 702.57 revision by Larry Andrews, seconded by Jim Bradbury. Motion carried.
- Policy 905.01-AR Display of National Motto: discussion of Section 33.144 of Idaho Code, and requirements concerning display of National Motto. Suggest change of wording from “Board of Trustees” to “Board of Directors.” Motion to approve by Nick Crabbs, seconded by Jim Bradbury. Motion carried.
- Policy 505.1: Names, Pronouns, and Titles. This hasn’t been approved through West Ada yet. First reading, no motion.
- Executive Session** Diane DeSpain made a motion at 4:27 to move into executive session per Idaho Code §74- 206(1)(b) *To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff*



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*member or individual agent, or public school student;* and Jim Bradbury seconded. Chairman Wally Hedrick took a roll call vote with Diane DeSpain, Larry Andrews, Jim Bradbury, Nick Crabbs, and Tami Hansen and had a vote of all “ayes.” Executive session ended at 4:30. Administration recommends the approve of the two student appeals. Motion to approve student appeal by Larry Andrews, seconded by Jim Bradbury. Motion carried.

### Principal’s Report

We met with representatives from College of Southern Idaho: President Dean Fisher and John Lord, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, to discuss Dual-Credit opportunities and the possibility of creating an Associate’s Degree program for both MTCHS and MMACHS. They were impressed with both schools and what we offer.

PTSO/boosters meeting: great turnout with 12 parents showing up! They’re putting together ways to fundraise for STOR, student organizations, to make funds available for kids to go to state and national conventions. Will be meeting in the evening, not at lunchtime.

Recruitment plans. West Ada wants us to move our lottery from February to January. Jenni Bradford has middle school visits arranged, open houses and Tech-X planned.

In-Service Day on Wednesday; staff will be training in CPR and First Aid in the morning, and a few different things in the afternoon with Moodle, grade-level projects,

### Adjournment

Next board meetings will be October 21, November 18, and December 16, and January 27 at 4:00.

Motion to adjourn at 4:40 by Diane DeSpain, seconded by Tami Hansen. Motion carried.