

**Minutes of the Monticello Community School District Board of Education for the
Legislative Forum of December 5, 2024**

Legislative Forum:

The Legislative Forum was held in the High School Commons at 850 E Oak Street, Monticello, Iowa on Wednesday, December 5, 2024 at 6:00 pm. The following directors were present: Craig Stadtmueller, Mark Rieken, and Tony Amsler. Others present were: Representative Cindy Golding, Senator Carrie Koelker, Senator Charlie McClintock, Senator Dan Zumbach, Brian Jaeger, Judy Hayen, and Pete Temple. Also present were board members and/or superintendents from each of the following school districts: Alburnett, Anamosa, Central City, Independence, Lisbon, Maquoketa Valley, Monticello, Mount Vernon, North Linn, and Western Dubuque. Several members of the public were in attendance as well.

Each legislator introduced themselves and updated us on the upcoming legislative session

Some topics of discussion were:

- Childcare
- Cell Phones in Schools
- AEA Bill
- SAVE Account
- Flexibility in Funds
- Staff Salaries
- Operational Sharing
- SSA/School Funding/Taxes
- Workforce Shortage
- Bus Drivers
- Teacher Acceleration Grant
- Private Schools
- Special Education Funding

Dr. Jaeger thanked the legislators for participating in the forum and they did the same. Legislators then encouraged everyone to call or email them with any questions or concerns and clarified the best way to contact them.

No action or voting took place. The forum ended at approximately 7:36pm.

Approved:

Attest:

Craig Stadtmueller, President

Judy Hayen, Board Secretary