

June 20, 2016

The North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session June 20, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the high school conference room New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Dirk Wilkin, Dan Gruber, Sherrill Strobel, Keith Foster and Arvin DeBoef. Also present: Angela Livezey, Harry Heileganthal - IASB, RD Keep, Justin Stout, Gene Fox, Trevor Wells, Kevin Lamberson, Matt Augustin, Lindsay Miller, Amber Goemaat, Pete Perez – Estes Construction, Dale Lienemann – Estes Construction, Jeff Walston and Cindy Quang.

BOARD WORK SESSION WITH IOWA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION TRAITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE SCHOOL BOARD – EVALUATION

Harry Heileganthal, from Iowa School Board Association (IASB) helped the board reflect on their work as a board team based on the eight traits of effective school boards.

REGULAR BOARD SESSION

Dirk Wilkin called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by Foster to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by DeBoef to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION HONOR HALL

Mr. Augustin, Mrs. Goemaat and Ms. Miller was at the meeting to present the “Honor Hall” idea to the board. Honor Hall will allow students with good grades and/or good character to be able to utilize the high school cafeteria as a free period during their study hall. “Honor Hall” would reward good students with a positive reward. This reward will be evaluated weekly and students must maintain good standing in order to keep this reward. This “Honor Hall” would be available to students’ grade 9-12th.

CHRIS VERSTEEGH – LAND LAB

Chris Ver Steegh was not able to attend the meeting, but Justin Stout and Gene Fox from Fox Construction was able to attend on his behalf. Gene Fox mentioned adding more tiling work on the FFA Land Lab. The water from the railroad tracks is dumping water into a big hole on the FFA Land Lab. To best utilize the land, tiling work must be done.

KEVIN LAMBERSON – NEW SHARON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Kevin Lamberson – New Sharon Police Officer and Trevor Wells – Mahaska County Sherriff Deputy discussed with the board about creating a curfew policy on school grounds. North Mahaska students and other neighboring students have been using the north parking lot as a meeting place. To eliminate any problems Mr. Lamberson and Mr. Wells recommended the school establish a curfew policy and post signs on the school grounds. Anybody in violation of the curfew policy maybe charged with trespassing.

OLD BUSINESS

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES – ESTES CONSTRUCTION AND INVISION ARCHITECTS

Pete Perez from Estes Construction talked about current project updates. Pete mentioned that Garden & Associates was in Friday to do some soil sampling for the track.

NEW BUSINESS

BUS BID CONSIDERATION

Jeff Walston, transportation director received quotes from Hogle Bus Company and Thomas Built Buses. Mr. Walston would like to trade Bus #5 for a new bus.

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Gruber to approve the new 2016 CE 65 Passenger bus for a total amount of \$79,500 from Hogle Bus Company. The bus will be purchased with the one cent money. Motion carried.

RESIGNATION

STACI BLANKE – PARA EDUCATOR

A motion was made by Foster and seconded by Strobel to accept the resignation for Staci Blanke as a para educator. Motion carried.

CALEB GIPPLE – MAINTENANCE

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Gruber to accept the resignation for Caleb Gipple as maintenance. Motion carried.

CONTRACT OFFERS

NIK KEYC – PARA EDUCATOR

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve a letter of assignment to Nik (William) Keyc as a paraeducator pending a physical and background check. Motion carried.

CASEY KALDENBERG – CUSTODIAL POSITION

A motion was made by Foster and seconded by DeBoef to approve a letter of assignment to Casey Kaldenberg as custodian pending physical and background check. Motion carried.

AEA PURCHASING AGREEMENT – FOOD BIDS

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by Strobel to approve the AEA purchasing agreement for the nutrition program for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried.

APPOINT NEWSPAPER PUBLISHER FOR 2016-17

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Gruber to appoint “The Sun” as the official publication for the district for the 2016-17 school year. Motion carried.

APPROVE BANK DEPOSITORIES AND SET LIMITS FOR 2016-17

A Motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve ISJIT/PMA Financials as a bank depository limit of \$6 million and US Bank with a limit of \$2.5 million. Motion carried.

APPOINT SCHOOL ATTORNEY FOR 2016-17

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Gruber to appoint Drew Bracken from Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm as the district attorney. Motion carried.

ADULT SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Gruber to approve an increase in the adult school lunch price from \$3.35 to \$3.50. Motion carried.

ADULT SCHOOL BREAKFAST PRICE

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Strobel to approve an increase in the adult school breakfast price from \$1.20 to \$1.75. Motion carried.

STUDENT SCHOOL BREAKFAST PRICE

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Gruber to approve an increase in the student school breakfast price from \$1.10 to \$1.50. Motion carried.

STUDENT SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by DeBoef to approve an increase in the student school lunch price from \$2.51 to \$2.60. Motion carried.

CHILDCARE LUNCH PRICE

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by Foster to approve an increase in the childcare (1 and 2 year olds) lunch prices from \$1.50 to \$1.60. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve an increase in the childcare (3 year old & up) lunch prices from \$2.00 to \$2.10. Motion carried.

CHILDCARE BREAKFAST PRICE

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by DeBoef to approve an increase in the childcare breakfast price from \$1.10 to \$1.25. Motion carried.

MILK PRICE

A motion was made by Foster and seconded by Gruber to approve an increase in the milk price from \$.30 to \$.35. Motion carried.

600 SERIES POLICY REVIEW

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve the changes to the 600 Series Policy. Motion carried.

GRANTWOOD AEA POWERSCHOOL CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve the Grantwood AEA Powerschool Consortium Agreement. Motion carried.

ELEMENTARY STUDENT HANDBOOK

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to approve the Elementary Handbook including the changes made. Motion carried.

JR/SR HIGH HANDBOOK

Junior and Senior High handbook has been tabled to the July board meeting.

DAY CARE RENTAL FEE & 28E AGREEMENTS

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Strobel to increase the rental fee from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and to approve the 28E Agreement with the New Sharon Childcare and Preschool. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
SAI CONVENTION

Mrs. Livezey mentioned she will be attending the School Administrators of Iowa (SAI) convention in Des Moines with Mr. Ray on August 3rd and 4th.

JULY MEETING DATE

Mrs. Livezey mentioned the regular board/public hearing on construction bid meeting will be held on July 18th – Arvin will be gone. A special board meeting will be held on July 25th to go over bid approval – possibly Sherrill and Arvin will be gone.

LAND LAB PROFITS

Mrs. Livezey talked with the board regarding the FFA Land Lab Profit for the 2015-2016 school year. The FFA Land Lab made a profit of \$12,237.49. The profit will be split between the FFA and General Fund in the amount of \$6,118.75 and \$6,118.74 respectively.

A motion was made by Foster and seconded by Gruber to approve the Land Lab Profit Report and the transfer of \$6,118.74 from the Activity Fund to the General Fund. Motion carried.

BOARD COMMENTS

Strobel asked about the supervision in the weight room. Mrs. Livezey has mention Cass Stubbs has been volunteering has time in the morning and evenings.

Strobel would like the board to consider having health insurance benefit or half health insurance benefit for the town route driver. She would like to put this on the agenda to be discuss at the regular July board meeting.

DeBoef mentioned that the North Mahaska Education Foundation - Jace Race went very well.

ADJOURN

Board President Wilkin adjourned the meeting at 10:27 p.m.

Cindy Quang
Board Secretary

Dirk Wilkin
Board President

