

March 20, 2017

The North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session March 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the elementary conference room New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Dirk Wilkin, Dan Gruber, Sherrill Strobel, Arvin DeBoef and Keith Foster. Also present: Angela Livezey, Lindsay Miller, Rachel Martin, Matt Chumbley – Estes Construction, Carrie Kral, Jamie Nelson, Oliganida Gruber and Cindy Quang.

Dirk Wilkin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

#### COMMUNICATIONS

There was no written communication or public forum.

#### NM PACT – JAMIE NELSON

Jamie Nelson and Carrie Kral spoke with the board about establishing an organization called Parents and Community Together (P.A.C.T). The P.A.C.T organization is a parent ran entity outside the school district. The organization will help with community involvement (give back to community), help support teachers (volunteer in classroom), help improve climate culture (making school safe) and help with fundraising (fundraise for school supplies/equipment).

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### UPDATE ON TRIP TO PUERTO RICO

Rachel Martin, Spanish teacher, gave the board an update on the Puerto Rico trip that will be June 8 – June 14. The trip will consist of 10 students and 2 chaperones.

##### ESTES CONSTRUCTION – BUILDING PROJECTS UPDATE

Matt Chumbley from Estes Construction presented the board a timeline of high school bathrooms remodel project. Mr. Chumbley also gave updates on the football concession stand, flooring and countertop for the family consumer science room.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### RESIGNATIONS – MARY WOODS – ELEM TEACHER; RYAN GROOM – HS ASST FB; MATT STRASSER – HS WRESTLING

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Strobel to accept the resignation of Mary Woods as an elementary teacher effect at the end of the school year. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by Foster to accept the resignation of Ryan Groom as a high school assistant football coach. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Foster and seconded by Strobel to accept the resignation of Matt Strasser as a high school wrestling coach. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE VOLUNTEER COACH FOR CLAY TARGET SHOOTERS

A motion was made by Gruber and seconded by Foster to approve Mark Current as a volunteer coach for clay target shooters. Motion carried.

#### AUDIT REPORT

Ms. Quang presented the board an over review of the 2015-2016 audit report.

A motion was made by DeBoef and seconded by Foster to approve the 2015-2016 audit report. Motion carried.

#### ATHLETIC BOOSTER – OWN ENTITY

Ms. Quang talked with the board about the Athletic Booster wanting to establish there organization outside the school district. The reason the organization would like to separate themselves outside the school district is because the state has strict guidelines for allowable expenditures under the school district. The board has tabled this discussion for a future board meeting.

#### BUDGET OVERVIEW

Mrs. Livezey gave the board a current financial overview for the fiscal year 2016-2017. Mrs. Livezey also talked about the 2017-2018 budget.

#### OPERATIONAL SHARING

A motion was made by Strobel and seconded by DeBoef to continue the operational sharing agreement with Montezuma Community School District for human resources; Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont Community School District for transportation director and plant operations and maintenance director. Motion carried.

#### SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

##### WELLNESS POLICY

Mrs. Livezey mentioned that a group of staff members met to review the wellness policy.

#### SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Mrs. Livezey talked about the nutrition program expanding the breakfast option to the students. By giving the students an option for breakfast the number of meals served to students has increased.

#### TEACHERS’ CONTRACT – MAKE UP DAY

Mrs. Livezey mentioned due to an inclement weather day in January. Teachers are to make up one day according to the teaching contract. Mrs. Livezey said she will allow teachers to make up the full day by doing one of the following: a community service project, volunteer at an upcoming student event, attend a professional development day outside the normal contract day, or collaborative planning with other teachers.

#### TLC UPDATE

Mrs. Livezey update the board about the Teacher Leadership Compensation for the instructional coaches and model teachers.

#### OPEN ENROLLMENT

Mrs. Livezey mentioned the district have 12 additional enrollment request for the 2017-2018 school year.

#### SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Mrs. Livezey talked about having Steve Ehret and Kevin Kelderman continue taking care of the school grounds over the summer.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

##### MRS. LIVEZEY – ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Livezey talked about Parent Teachers Conference will be this Tuesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Livezey also mentioned the North Mahaska Elementary received an Honor Award for PBIS (Positive Behaviors Interventions & Supports). Marta Shafer, elementary guidance counselor, will accept the award on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Learning Support Conference.

##### MR. RAY – SECONDARY

None

#### BOARD COMMENTS/THANK YOU NOTES

Mr. Gruber mentioned having a possible candidate for school district #5 after the end of his term.

Mr. Foster and Mr. Wilkin talked about the feedback they received from the Josh Coburn assembly.

Mrs. Strobel mentioned updating the website with current pictures.

#### ADJOURNED

Mr. Wilkin adjourned the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Cindy Quang  
Board Secretary

Dirk Wilkin  
Board President