January 30, 2020

The North Mahaska Board of Education attended a legislative dinner on January 30, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Michael J. Manatt Community Center in Brooklyn, Iowa. Those members present: Dirk Wilkin, Arvin DeBoef and Michelle Sampson. Also present: Angela Livezey, Cindy Quang, Emily Piper and Shawn Synder – Iowa School Board Association (IASB), Senator Tim Kapucian, Senator Kevin Kinney, Representative Dustin Hite and other surrounding school districts.

The legislators gave an update of what is happening in the legislation. Topics that were discussed at the meeting were supplemental state aid. The Iowa House of Representatives is proposing a 2.5 % and the Senate are proposing a 2.1% increase in state aid. Other topics that were mentioned behavioral and mental health in the school district, Dropout Prevention funds, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and county control and teaching shortage.

Emily Piper, an IASB representative, also gave an overview of what is happening in the legislation.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Cindy Quang Board Secretary

Dirk Wilkin Board President