

July 18, 2022

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on July 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the elementary conference room in New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Keith Foster, Brett Morris, and Todd Vanderwilt. Also present: Sherrill Strobel, Polly Ehret, Shayla Schilling, Nancy Hargis, Trent Kain, Andrew Vanbeek, Sally Obernolte, Dave Zahradnik, Brandon Scholte, Amber Goemaat, Angela Livezey, and Sarah McGriff.

Keith Foster called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC FORUM

Sherrill Strobel asked for clarification on what a service animal is.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

No written communication.

UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION - DCI GROUP

Trent Kain (DCI), Andrew Vanbeek (Midwest Engineering Associates), Sally Obernolte (Neumann Monson), Dave Zahradnik (Neumann Monson), and Brandon Scholte (DCI) were present to provide an update.

Exterior signage is installed, HVAC units have all been started, commissioning is in process and is ongoing. Lighting control issues are still happening in the fitness center and wrestling room. Techs will be here on August 2-3.

Mrs. Livezey asked about humidity in the building and how to rectify the issue. Mr. Vanbeek explained that one of the solutions he suggested was raising the set points on the boilers. Mrs. Livezey asked for continued monitoring of this before the district signs off on the commissioning.

Mr. Kain explained that the preschool flooring was fixed, but the entire floor was not replaced. If the flooring comes up at all, then the company will come back and replace all of the flooring.

TEENSERVE

Mr. Morris provided an update on TeenServe. 331 youth and adults participated. He thanked the board for their support, the custodians for their presence and help, and any faculty that stepped in and helped.

OLD BUSINESS

ROOF UPDATE - SCOTT PALMBERG VIA ZOOM

Mr. Palmberg presented the roof options for the elementary school gymnasium again and provided further information on the warranties for the roofs. He noted that there is a possibility that materials could be obtained by this year, but that most likely the project will go to bid in January with an install late spring/early summer 2023. The brickwork and the ventilation system can be completed this year as invited proposals.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE SCHOOL LUNCH & BREAKFAST FEES FOR STUDENTS

Delayed until reimbursement rates are available.

APPROVE ADULT LUNCH FEE

A motion was made by and seconded by to approve the adult lunch fee at

APPROVE ANNUAL WAGE REPORT

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the annual wage report. Motion carried.

APPROVE OPTION FOR ELEMENTARY GYM ROOF REPAIR

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to move forward with the ventilation system repairs and brick repairs immediately, and table the roof replacement option decision until the next meeting.

APPROVE POWER SCHOOL AGREEMENT FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to approve the FY23 PowerSchool Agreement. Motion carried.

APPROVE SUPPORT STAFF HANDBOOK

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the FY23 Support Staff Handbook. Motion carried.

APPROVE SALE OF DISTRICT EQUIPMENT ON GOVDEALS

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to sell district equipment on GovDeals. Motion carried.

BOARD POLICY REVIEW

The board completed a second reading of the Wellness Policy and policy 708.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the second reading of the Wellness Policy. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to approve the second reading of policy 708. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the first reading of policies 402.2, 501.14, 501.15, 504.5, 504.5R1, 505.5, 507.2, 507.2E1, 607.2, 704.6, 804.5, 804.7, 804.7R1, 901, and the 700 series.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

No principal's report in summer months.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

UPDATE ON OPERATIONAL SHARING OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Mrs. Livezey will meet with the city again this month to seek approval for a shared school resource officer with the City of New Sharon. She shared details of the position with the board and expectations should this be approved.

BOOK STUDY

Mrs. Livezey shared the feedback from the PLC summer book study led by Stacie Johannes.

OPAA REPORT

The June OPAA Report was presented to the board.

TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

The District is in need of three bus drivers for the 2022-2023 school year. The board discussed advertisement of the positions and various options to help attract candidates. Mrs. Goemaat suggested an informational meeting regarding the bus driver position and what is required to become a driver. Mr. Morris suggested advertising the bus routes as only an AM or only a PM route - Mrs. Livezey will change the advertising this week.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Mrs. Livezey, Mr. Veiseth, and Mrs. Goemaat will be presenting at Keep the Love Going conference on August 12.

SERVICE ANIMALS

Mrs. Livezey presented information regarding service animals as there is a staff member with a service animal in training.

LEAVE REQUEST

Mrs. Livezey had a staff member ask for extended leave. She updated the board that the request is being denied due to lack of resources to cover an extended leave position.

COMMENTS

No board comments.

THANK YOU

John Livezey -using his fork lift regularly for unloading deliveries

Adults who volunteered for TeenServe:

- Brett & Acacia
- Jon and Tami Goemaat
- Kiah
- Kelli Mitchell
- Marcy Wanders
- Gail Morris
- Jac Muson
- Noah Jedlicka
- MacKenzie Hicklin
- Nancy Hargis
- Pam Smith
- Ron & Kathi Thompson

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to adjourn the meeting at 8:00p.m.
Motion carried.

Sarah McGriff
Board Secretary

Keith Foster
Vice President