

February 20, 2023

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on February 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Library in New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Keith Foster, Brett McGriff, and Todd Vanderwilt. Also present: Angela Livezey, Amber Goemaat, Tim Veiseth, Dave Sietstra (Zoom), Stacie Johannes, Shayla Schilling, Krysty Huffman, Renee Ferguson, Alison Canfield, Sherrill Strobel, Polly Ehret, Steve Ehret. Lynette Van Donselaar, Caitlin Dannels, 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 McGriff to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### PUBLIC FORUM

Sherrill Strobel thanked the board for a new trash can being installed on the north side of the building and asked for details regarding the redistricting that occurred.

##### WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

No written communication.

##### DRAFT CALENDAR FEEDBACK

Mrs. Livezey shared the draft calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. Feedback was shared regarding changes to the calendar by Mrs. Johannes, Mrs. Huffman, and Mrs. Schilling.

##### NM ATHLETIC BOOSTER UPDATE

##### OLD BUSINESS

##### EQUIPPING FACILITIES FOR GREATER HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY

##### NEW BUSINESS

##### PRESENTATION OF THE FY22 AUDIT & APPROVE FY22 AUDIT

Dave Sietstra presented the FY22 audit to the board. A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve the FY22 audit. Motion carried.

##### DISCUSS SURPLUS LEVY TO SAVE TAX PAYER INTEREST ON GO BONDS

Ms. McGriff explained the benefits of a surplus levy to save taxpayer dollars for the FY24 budget.

#### BOARD POLICY 808 -NAMING RIGHTS -FIRST READING

A motion was made by McGriff and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the first reading of board policy 808. Motion carried.

#### CONSIDER TEMPORARY NAMING FUNDRAISING -NM ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

In line with the proposed policy 808, no action will be taken on this fundraiser at this time.

#### APPROVE CONTRACT FROM NEUMANN MONSON FOR DOOR SECURITY

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve the contract from Neumann Monson for door security. Motion carried.

#### REVIEW AND UPDATE BOARD POLICY 505.05 -SECOND READING

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve board policy 505.05. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE RENEWAL FOR SIMBLI - BOARD POLICY ONLINE HOSTING

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve the renewal with Simbli for FY24. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE RENEWAL FOR FRONTLINE - BUDGET ANALYTICS SYSTEM

A motion was made by McGriff and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the renewal for Frontline Budget Analytics for FY24. Motion carried.

#### CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TIPS FOR STUDENT RUN BUSINESS

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to have tips for student run businesses to remain within the district. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE QUOTES FOR SAFETY & SECURITY UPGRADES

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve quotes for the following items in relation to the school safety grant and to allow the superintendent to make the decision should prices change once the grant is allocated: Visitor Management System, Radios, Door Hardware, Electronic Access, Fence for Elementary Playground, Cameras, UPS/Battery Backup. Motion carried.

#### FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICIES

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to approve the first reading of the following board policies: 216.02, 607.01, 701.05, 701.05(R)1, 705.01, 705.01(R), 804.07(R)2, 401.02, 401.10, 402.04, 402.01, Narcan Administration Procedures. Motion carried.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

##### WINTER FAST SCREENING

Mrs. Livezey shared winter FAST screening results.

##### MAP SCREENING DATA

Mrs. Goemaat updated the board that MAP screening data would be available in March.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

##### NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Mrs. Livezey informed the board that an exchange of negotiations proposals will take place at the end of the meeting.

##### HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE

District health insurance increase will be 4.99% for FY24.

#### BOARD WORK SESSION

The board will have a work session on April 17 prior to the board meeting at 4:15pm.

##### TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Mrs. Livezey shared that the district still has a PM bus route opening.

#### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Mahaska County supervisors will consider a proposed budget that includes a SRO for North Mahaska for FY24.

#### COMMENTS

Mr. McGriff commented that a visiting official complimented NM.

#### INITIAL EXCHANGE OF PROPOSALS FOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH NMEA

NMEA presented their initial proposal to the board. They proposed vertical step movement, a \$1,500 increase to the base, \$50 increase to each step increment, and a \$200 increase to each lane increment, resulting in a 5.32% total package increase.

North Mahaska presented their initial proposal for negotiations, proposing vertical step movement and a \$900 increase to the base resulting in a 3.02% total package increase.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Pat DeHeer for feeding the NM staff lunch as part of her appreciation for all they do for students.

## ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to adjourn the meeting at 7:21p.m.  
Motion carried.

Sarah McGriff  
Board Secretary

Keith Foster  
President