

September 18, 2023

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Library in New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Brett McGriff, Keith Foster, Michelle Sampson, Kraig Koehler, and Todd Vanderwilt. Also present: Polly Ehret, Sherrill Strobel, Crystal VanderLinden, Amber Goemaat, Josh McCollam, Tim Veiseth, and Sarah McGriff.

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

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

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Motion carried.

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

PUBLIC FORUM

Sherrill Strobel advocated for the return of the pamphlets and players sheets for home volleyball games.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

IHSAA sent a letter recognizing NM as a school that had no coaches or students ejected from any activity for the 2022-2023 school year.

OLD BUSINESS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

NEW BUSINESS

UPDATE 200 SERIES OF BOARD POLICIES - **SECOND READING**

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by McGriff to approve the second reading of the 200 series board policies with the exception that 213.01 will be updated again following feedback from the SIAC committee. Motion carried.

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT LEVY - RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

The President of the Board called up for consideration the Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program which requires that a public hearing be held on this proposal.

Director Sampson introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Director Koehler seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called, and the vote was:

Aye: Sampson, Koehler, Vanderwilt, McGriff, Foster

Nay: None

The President declared the Resolution adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER CONTINUED PARTICIPATION
IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that to continue the current level of services and to fund the ongoing programs of the School District, continuation of participation in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five years is necessary and in the best interests of the District and its residents and students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to consider continued participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the authorization for the current Instructional Support Program will expire on June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution sets forth the proposal of the Board of Directors, including the method that will be used to fund the program; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of a public hearing must be published:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved:

1. The Board of Directors wishes to consider continued participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa, for a period of five years, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.
2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year shall be determined annually and shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment for the budget year.
3. Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for any general fund purpose.
4. The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and an instructional support income surtax imposed annually, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the

state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31, 2025, and each year thereafter.

5. The Secretary is authorized and directed to give notice of a public hearing to be held in the Junior/Senior High Library, 2163 – 135th Street, New Sharon, Iowa 50207, on October 16, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

6. Following the public hearing the Board intends to take action on the question whether to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of September, 2023.

Keith Foster
Board President

Attest: Sarah McGriff, Board Secretary

APPROVE ALLOWABLE GROWTH REQUEST

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Koehler to approve the Allowable Growth Request in the amount of \$136,629.85. Motion carried.

REVIEW AND APPOINT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

The board chose to leave all current committee members until after the November election, and added NM Athletic Boosters Representatives - Sampson and Koehler volunteered to attend the booster meetings as representatives.

BOOSTER CLUB LEASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Koehler requested that the branding be specified in the lease agreement to ensure consistency of banners.

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Koehler to approve the lease agreement subject to changes in section F regarding continuity. Motion carried.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ELEMENTARY

FAST testing finishes tomorrow. Data will be available at the next meeting.

Nurse Jil is working on getting an ATV presentation on October 5 for 5th-8th grades.

SECONDARY

Homecoming festivities are going well.

Mental health screener will take place tomorrow during third period for those students whose parents actively consented.

MAP data will be available at the next board meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT GOALS

Mr. Veiseth updated his Superintendent goals to support the board's goals that were established at the work session in August.

TRANSITION PROCESS UPDATE

Mr. Veiseth shared with the board an ongoing update on the transition process for his role as interim superintendent.

IASB ANNUAL CONFERENCE - NOV. 15, 16, & 17

The board should let Mr. Veiseth know if they intend to attend. Kraig Koehler would like to attend the first day.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERVIEW 2023-2024

Mr. Veiseth shared the PD plan for the year with the board.

ELEMENTARY GYM

Mr. Veiseth shared an update regarding the unfinished elementary gym project. The district will be providing an updated deadline to Hopkins Roofing to finish the project and is waiting for their confirmation. Mr. Koehler asked that Mr. Veiseth check on if any additional damage could occur between now and May and who would be liable for that.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Mr. Veiseth is working with IASB on the district's five year needs assessment.

BOARD ELECTION REMINDER

Election will take place on November 7, 2023, and election papers can be taken out from the HS office or printed from the Secretary of State's website. They must be submitted by September 21, 2023 by 5pm.

COMMENTS

Mr. Veiseth added that the district is sending those PLC leads who couldn't attend the PLC institute this summer to the PLC institute in Des Moines this fall.

Mr. Vanderwilt asked if there's an idea of where enrollment stands. Current estimates are that we are roughly the same as last year, but count date is October 1.

Mrs. Sampson asked about the senior class and who is attending the trip and helping with concessions and fundraising opportunities. Mr. Veiseth will look into this issue.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the fire department and emergency services for their assistance with the recent tornado drill and their participation in the homecoming parade.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to adjourn the meeting at 6:53p.m.
Motion carried.

Sarah McGriff
Board Secretary

Keith Foster
President