

October 16, 2023

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on October 16, 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: Sherrill Strobel, Ashley Warren, Lacy McGriff, Renee Ferguson, Crystal VanderLinden, Josh McCollam, Amber Goemaat, Tim Veiseth, and Sarah McGriff.

Keith Foster called the Instructional Support Levy public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those present to speak at the public hearing were: none

Keith Foster closed the public hearing at 6:00 p.m.

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 Koehler and seconded by Sampson to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC FORUM

Sherrill Strobel said that she liked to learn about what Cali Sampson was doing at Indian Hills for the blood drive and she would like to see more about academics, including what is being taught in the English classroom, etc.

#### WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

Mr. Veiseth shared the monthly report from OPAA!

#### FFA PRESENTATION

Ashley Warren presented an update on the FFA program and their alignment with board goals.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### BUILDING AND GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### APPROVE PURCHASE OF NEW KITCHEN OVEN

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the purchase of the Blodgett convection oven for the kitchen in the amount of \$15,140. Motion carried.

##### APPROVE BUS PURCHASE

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Vanderwilt to table the bus purchase until November's meeting. Motion carried.

## PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

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

AYES: Sampson, Koehler, Vanderwilt, McGriff, Foster

NAYS: None

The President declared the Resolution adopted as follows:

### RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE 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 has given consideration to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the Board has published notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, a hearing has been held upon the proposal to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program and any objections are overruled:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

1. The Board of Directors determines that it is consistent with the five-year finance plan to fund the ongoing programs and services of the School District and it is in the best interest of the School District to continue participation in an Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa, and to provide additional funding therefor for a period of five (5) years commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually and will 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. Unless, within twenty-eight days following the adoption of this Resolution, the Secretary of the Board receives a petition containing the signatures of eligible electors equal in number to not less than one hundred or thirty percent of the number of voters at the last preceding regular school election, whichever is greater, asking that an election be called to approve or disapprove this action of the Board adopting the Instructional Support Program, this action of the Board is final and the Secretary is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Management.

In the event a petition containing the required number of signatures is filed with the Secretary of the Board within twenty-eight days of the adoption of this Resolution, the President shall call a meeting of the Board to consider rescission of this Resolution, or to direct the county commissioner of elections to submit the following question to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election.

If the Board determines to submit the question to the electors, the public measure to be submitted shall be as follows:

Shall the Board of Directors of the North Mahaska Community School District, in the Counties of Mahaska and Poweshiek, State of Iowa, be authorized for a period of five (5) years to continue to levy and impose an instructional support tax in an amount (after taking into consideration instructional support state aid) of not exceeding ten percent (10%) of the total of regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment in the budget year, and be authorized annually, in combination, as determined by the Board, to levy an instructional support property tax upon all 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 to impose an instructional support income surtax upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31 for each calendar year commencing with calendar year 2025, or each year thereafter, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each fiscal year, to be used for any general fund purpose?

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of October, 2023.

President, Keith Foster

Attest, Board Secretary, Sarah McGriff

#### BOOSTER CLUB LEASE AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by McGriff to approve the Booster Club Lease Agreement with the NM Athletic Boosters. Motion carried.

APPROVE BOARD POLICY 503.08 - FIRST READING

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Koehler to approve the first reading of policy 503.08. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE EARLY GRADUATION REQUEST

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve early graduation requests for Mary Vanderlinden and Gage Vandevoordt.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

##### ELEMENTARY

FAST screening data was shared by Mrs. Goemaat.

Mrs. Goemaat shared about recent events that have been held in the elementary, including a very successful Breakfast with a Buddy event.

##### SECONDARY

Mr. McCollam shared an update about the PLC event that he and team leads attended this past month.

He also shared information about student assemblies that have been held recently including a presentation from Tom Milligan and an ATV safety presentation.

He highlighted the MAP test screening data that was received this fall. The teachers had a data day around the test scores to assess how to move forward.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

##### SUPERINTENDENT GOALS

Mr. Veiseth shared his continuing additions of detail to his goals in relation to board goals.

#### 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

Mr. Veiseth and Mr. Koehler are currently registered for the conference.

#### LEGISLATIVE INSERVICE

January 25th in Brooklyn, IA. Deadline for board members to register is January 12.

#### NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Mr. Veiseth is working with IASB on the district's five year needs assessment. The assessment survey will be sent out next week via the website, Facebook, and newsletters.

#### ISASP DATA

Mr. Veiseth reviewed the ISASP data that was received from Spring ISASP tests.

#### REVIEW CERTIFIED ENROLLMENT

The district is down 26 students for certified enrollment this year. Much of this is due to a large class graduating and a smaller class size in the entering kindergarten class.

#### BOARD ELECTION REMINDER

The school board election will take place on November 7, 2023. The candidates are as follows, District 1: Michelle Sampson, District 3: Brett Morris and Crystal VanderLinden, District 2: Polly Ehret, District 5: Kraig Koehler.

#### COMMENTS

Mr. Vanderwilt asked for an update on the applications received for the SBO/Board Secretary position.

Mrs. Sampson has had a couple of conversations with community members regarding football game rescheduling.

#### THANK YOU

The board thanked Sarah McGriff for her service as SBO and Board Secretary.

#### ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by McGriff to adjourn the meeting at 7:20p.m. Motion carried.

Sarah McGriff  
Board Secretary

Keith Foster  
President