

November 20, 2023

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on November 20, 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 Strobell, Renee Ferguson, Josh McCollam, Amber Goemaat, Tim Veiseth, Lynette Van Donselaar, Heather Shaw, Carrie Kral, Miranda DeGeest, Kelli Steil, Brett Morris, Polly Ehret, Shayla Schilling, Willis Van Weelden, Bobby VanWeelden, Marcia Grandia, Bryan Grewe, Jen Readshaw, and Jeff Walston

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

A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Koehler to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

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

#### COMMUNICATION

##### Public Forum

Kelli Steil - presented a letter from parent addressing concerns with staff/teacher

Miranda DeGeest- turned in a statement from a student with concerns regarding North Mahaska with athletic department - also provided a statement of her own

Willis Van Weelden- letters with complaints of athletic department and teaching

Sherril Strobel - Thanks to all who helped with the Children's Theater

Jen Readshaw- wants to encourage communication with our coaches and players

Heather Shaw- wants to support the others at the meeting - requesting that we look at how we are supporting staff and students- make sure we are focusing on mental health

##### Written Communication

#### OLD BUSINESS

None

#### ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Vanderwilt to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:14 PM. Motion carried.

#### ANNUAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Board Secretary called the meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

#### SWEARING IN NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Board secretary gave the oath of office to the newly elected board members.

Michelle Sampson, Kraig Koehler, Polly Ehret and Brett Morris

#### ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Board secretary called for nominations for board president. A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Ehret to nominate Michelle Sampson as board president. No other nominations were received. Michelle Sampson was elected president by unanimous vote. Motion carried 5-0.

#### ELECTION OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

Board president called for nominations for vice president. A motion was made by Sampson and seconded by Morris to nominate Kraig Koehler as board vice president. No other nominations were received. Kraig Koehler was elected vice president by unanimous vote. Motion carried 5-0.

#### ELECTION OF BOARD SECRETARY

Motion was made by Morris and seconded by Ehret to table the election of the Board Secretary until the December board meeting due to illness.

#### ELECTION OF BOARD TREASURER

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and properly seconded by Koehler to appoint Lynette Van Donselaar as Treasurer for the 23-24 school year. Motion carried.

#### ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME AND PLACE OF BOARD MEETINGS

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and properly seconded by Morris to set the date, time and place of regular school board meetings.

Date: 3rd Monday Month

Time: 6pm

Place: MRC

#### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

IASB DELEGATE AND LEGISLATIVE NETWORK - Sampson

COUNTY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE - Morris

NEGOTIATIONS TEAM MEMBER - Ehret and Sampson

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER - Koehler and Morris

NORTH MAHASKA EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVE - Vanderwilt

DAY CARE / PRESCHOOL COMMITTEE - Vanderwilt

FFA ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Morris

NM BOOSTER- Koehler and Ehret - alternating

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Ehret to approve the committees. Motion carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### APPROVAL OF BUS PURCHASE

Vanderwilt suggested keeping old bus for spare due to low trade in value- Jeff stated we already have a spare without keeping the old one

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve bus purchase option 2. Motion carried.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL LOCK-IN

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Morris to approve the student council lock in at the school. Motion carried.

#### DANCE TEAM

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Ehret to approve the dance team overnight for State Dance in December.

#### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Morris to approve to replace carpet in All Classrooms/Hallways. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Ehret to approve to replace Additional Tile Around Building. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Ehret to table the handicap Accessibility Project until December meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Koehler to table the Elementary Classroom Furniture until the December board meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve to replace all doors. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the installation of an air conditioner in the kitchen. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to table the replacement of the Auditorium doors until December board meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Ehret to approve the Tuck Point Building. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Vanderwilt to table the repairing of concrete around facilities until December board meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Morris to table the Track Resurfacing until December board meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Morris to approve to replace carpet in All Classrooms/Hallways/Doors Motion carried.

#### BOARD POLICIES - SECOND READING

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Morris to approve the second reading of policies 503.08 as presented. Motion carried

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Vanderwilt to table the second reading of policies 213.01 as presented. Motion carried

#### BOARD POLICIES - FIRST READING

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Koehler to approve the first reading of board policies: **401.01**.

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Ehret to approve the first reading of board policies: 503.01

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Ehret to approve the first reading of board policies: 503.01r

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the first reading of board policies: 503.02

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Koehler to approve the first reading of board policies: 503.08R1

A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Koehler to approve the first reading of board policies: 605.3R1

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Morris to approve the first reading of board policies: 701.05R1

#### AEA BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Koehler to approve Dr. Joy Prothero to the GPAEA Board as presented. Motion carried.

#### TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Vanderwilt and seconded by Morris to approve the NM Trademark License Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

#### NEWSPAPER SPONSOR

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Morris to approve the appointment of a newspaper sponsor as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ehret and seconded by Vanderwilt to approve the appointment of Jenifer Whelan as newspaper sponsor with the revision of the cafeteria plan. Motion carried.

#### APPROVE SBRC APPLICATION

Open Enrollment Out Not on Prior Year's Headcount - The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of \$ 92473 for open enrolled out students who were not included in the district's previous year certified enrollment count.

Ayes: Morris, Vanderwilt, Ehret Sampson, Koehler

Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

The motion was carried by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Morris to approve SBRC application.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

##### ELEMENTARY

- PT Conferences update

- US News & World Report Ranking

- Christmas Concert date update

- Missoula Children's Theater Performances Review

Let Grow Projects

## SECONDARY

Student Council: Haunted Hallway, Veteran's Day Cards, American Education Week  
FFA Week of Giving  
Beginning Grading Practices Discussion

## 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 - keynotes talked about how are you conveying messages to the different generations

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

IOWA SCHOOL PERFORMANCE PROFILE - Both Commendable - both schools are a few points away from high performing

NOVEMBER 10 PD: Assessing our PLC Journey & ISASP Data Review

WALKTHROUGH DATA REVIEW - learning targets - 80% have posted

SUPERINTENDENT REVIEW - Closed Session meeting with December Board Meeting for Interim Superintendent Evaluation

BOARD COMMENTS/THANK YOU NOTES - Meeting scheduled for November 29th 6 pm - MRC Open Session to discuss Superintendent hiring process

Missoula - Thank Yous - Archery- NMPACT -sack lunches for children's theater

ADJOURN A motion was made by Koehler and seconded by Morris to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 pm. Motion carried.

Lynette Van Donselaar Board Secretary

Michelle Sampson President