

February 19, 2024  
North Mahaska

North Mahaska Board of Education met in regular session on January 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jr./Sr. High Library in New Sharon, Iowa. Those members present: Michelle Sampson, Todd Vanderwilt, Polly Ehret, Brett Morris, Kraig Koehler was absent. Also present: Tim Veiseth, Amber Goemaat, Josh McCollum, Roman Meyers, Lisa Watts, Sherril Strobel, Stacie Johannes, Teri Vos, Addisyn McCrea, Nichoe DeBoef, Joel DeBoef, Tracy Swanson, Channing Rucks.

President Sampson called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Todd Vanderwilt and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

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

## **COMMUNICATION**

**Public Forum** - Sherril Strobel wanted to make sure that it was noted that she was at the last board meeting and then she also wanted to commend the teachers for how hard they work throughout the year.

**Written Communication** - none

**Work-based Learning/Apprenticeship** - Josh McCollam had a presentation for the board on work based learning. He discussed how students are either going to two or four year college or entering the workforce. Those entering the workforce will learn awareness, exploration, preparation and training to learn a skill that will set them up for success following graduation. Terry Vos also shared that work based learning is building the bridge to help students meet the goals and to work with businesses to connect them with students.

**OPAA Update** - Tracy Swanson shared a board report on their participation in school meals. They are offering new items for students to try. They are going to meet once a month with a high school group to discuss different food options.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

It was moved by Todd Vanderwilt and seconded by Brett Morris to approve the second reading of board policy 213.01. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve the changes to the school calendar for snow make up days. The following changes:

Tuesday, May 21 - full day

Wednesday May 22 - 1pm Dismissal.

Making these Friday's full days: April 19, April 26, May 10, May 17. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Todd Vanderwilt to approve the quote from VanMaanen Electric for keyless fob entry for all classroom doors in the amount of \$67,150.00. Motion carried.

It was moved by Todd Vanderwilt and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve the renewal for Frontline - budget analytics system. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve the purchase of elementary classroom furniture. \$107,790.83. Motion carried.

It was moved by Todd Vanderwilt and seconded by Brett Morris to approve the Property Tax Public Hearing for March 25, 2024 at 5:45 PM. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve moving the March board meeting to March 25, 2024 at 6PM. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brett Morris and seconded by Polly Ehret to approve changing the parent/teacher conferences on Tuesday (2/20) to 3:30pm-5:30pm and Wednesday (2/21) 3:30pm-5:30pm

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ELEMENTARY**

Amber Goemaat presented to the board on FAST screening, Math and Reading data. She spoke about the NM Pact carnival and how well that was attended. She updated the board on classroom furniture. Literacy Curricular Review will be updated pending the state legislation funding.

## **SECONDARY**

Josh McCollam updated the board on MAP testing, Congratulations to our All-State Speech success, girls and boys basketball that are still winning and then our state qualifiers for Wrestling. Teachers are working on their course descriptions, continued work on MTSS process, ISASP training will be meeting in March.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Legislative Updates
- Review New Certified Budget Process
- 2024-25 Calendar Proposals

- Negotiations Updates
- RFP process for Auditors
- RFP process for Food Service Management
- Instructional Rounds Update
- Split Season JH girls basketball and Wrestling

#### **BOARD COMMENTS/ THANK YOU NOTES**

##### **NM Impact**

**Brett Morris thanked Amber Goemaat for her work behind the scenes for getting NM's story out there on social media.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

No other business appearing before the board, Polly Ehret made the motion to adjourn at 7:47PM

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Michelle Sampson  
Board President

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Mary Jo Sheets  
Secretary