

Independent School District #891
Canby Public School

1.0 Opening of the Meeting: Chairperson Nathan Thorpe

The Canby School Board held its regular scheduled meeting on Monday, September 19, 2022 in the Canby High School room 156. Board members present: Nathan Thorpe, Brenda Full, Kari Harding, and Angela Leppke. Directors Tricia Bueltel and Jaci Weber were absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent Ryan Nielsen, High School Principal Dr. Robert Slaba, Elementary Principal Ryan Arndt, and the Canby News.

- 1.1 Call to Order: Nathan Thorpe called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm
- 1.2 Roll Call: Absent – Director Bueltel and Director Weber
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda: Motion by Harding, second Leppke, to approve the amended agenda changing the date in item 4.1 to October 3, 2022, motion carried 4-0.
- 1.4 Address the Board: Amy Demmer presented to the board about the teacher shortage in the district, region and country. She provided a few thoughts and ideas on how the district could better recruit, hire and retain teachers.
- 1.5 Donations: Motion by Harding, second Leppke, to approve the donations from the Canby Choir/Band Booster Club to the Canby Band/Choir Student Activity Account in the amount of \$5,784.07, motion carried 4-0.
- 1.6 Approval of Minutes: Motion by Leppke, second Harding, to approve the amended minutes adding Ryan Arndt to the attendance from the regular board meeting on 9-6-2022, motion carried 4-0.
- 1.7 Bills: Motion by Leppke, second Full, to approve payment of the bills, motion carried 4-0.

<u>Bills Dated 9/19/2022</u>	
General: 01	\$ 222,781.90
Food Service: 02	\$64,835.43
Transportation: 03	\$4,701.01
Comm. Services: 04	\$1,816.77
Capital: 05	\$43,130.59
Debt Redemption: 07	\$625,000.00
Student Activity: 21	\$3,497.19
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Total	\$965,762.89

2.0 New Business / Non-Action Items:

2.1 Administrative Reports:

- Elementary School Principal Report:
 - Picture day tomorrow for students and staff.
 - Preschool screening is next week.
 - Parent teacher conferences will be held October 12.
 - Teachers are reviewing the data from the MCA assessments taken last spring and will use this information to identify areas that need improvement.
- High School Principal Report:
 - Dr. Slaba worked with the seniors and sophomores on career counseling.
 - October 5 the sophomores will travel to the SMSU campus for a career expo day.
 - October 11 the juniors will travel to the SMSU campus for a college day.
 - Seniors will visit two colleges this year through the college exploration program set up through Achievement and Integration.
 - Dr. Slaba reported on the positive vibe that surrounded homecoming week. It was a great week and it was even more exciting with the success our sports teams had in their competitions. He said with the early homecoming this year they needed to a better job of getting the word out to the community. They will work to improve that communication for next year's homecoming events.

- Superintendent Report:
 - Superintendent Nielsen thanked the bus drivers for attending the annual bus driver training.
 - He reported it has been a great start to the school year.
 - On October 31 the staff will join multiple school districts for a combined professional development day at RTR High School. The presenter will be Greg Talcott.
 - Mr. Nielsen also reported on Homecoming as he stated it was a great week. All the events were well attended and everyone showed their school spirit all week long.
 - Mr. Nielsen shared that he and his administrative team are reading the book, “What is Going Well” by Greg Bell. The book focuses on the benefits of focusing on things that are going well and the power of a positive attitude.

2.2 SWWC Setting 4 Schools: Superintendent Nielsen reported to the board about the need to create a better funding source for the COOP’s setting schools. These schools are extremely important to all the districts in our region and the COOP does not receive any state funding for the facilities. The COOP is asking schools to provide funding through each district’s lease levy authority to help address the annual maintenance and future development of these school buildings. The goal of using the lease levy is to help create a steadier funding source for these schools who serve students from all the schools in the COOP.

2.3 Pay 2023 Levy Information: Superintendent Nielsen presented to the board information related to the Pay 2023 levy for the school district.

3.0 Board Action

- 3.1 Levy Certification 2023 pay 2023 Motion by Leppke, second Harding, to approve the certification of the proposed 2022 payable 2023 levy at the maximum level, motion carried 4-0.
- 3.2 Paraprofessional Resignation: Motion by Harding, second Leppke, to accept the resignation of Nicole Petersen as a paraprofessional effective 9/16/2022, motion carried 4-0.
- 3.3 High School Administrative Secretary: Motion by Harding, second Leppke, to approve the hiring of Emily Gehrking as the high school administrative secretary, motion carried 4-0.
- 3.4 Out of State Travel Request: Motion by Thorpe, second Full, to approve the overnight out of state travel request by the FFA to attend the National Conference in Indianapolis October 24-30th, motion carried 4-0.
- 3.5 Substitute Teacher Pay: Motion by Harding, second Leppke, to approve the substitute teacher pay at \$150.00 per day, motion carried 4-0.
- 3.6 Closed Session for Real Estate: Motion by Leppke, second Harding, to move into closed session at 6:49 pm for real estate discussions, motion carried 4-0. Motion by Thorpe, second Harding, to reopen the meeting at 7:02 pm.

4.0 Communication

4.1 Next Board Meeting: Monday, October 3, 2022 at 5:30 PM

5.0 Adjournment

5.1 Adjournment: 7:03 pm Motion to adjourn by Leppke, second Harding, motion carried 4-0

School Board Clerk

Date