

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2021

7:30 p.m. Jr. High School Library

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.

President Chad Ruppert called the regular board meeting to order and roll call was taken with seven board members present. Board members present were Janssen, Ruppert, Kettelkamp, Bauman, Fesser, Tarter, and Gasparich. Also present were Superintendent Doerr, Principal McDowell, Assistant Principal McDonald, and Principal Reedy.

Guests present included Lisa Probst, Megan Mehochko, Paul Watson, Jamie Blackwell, Ellen Christner, and Randy Rieke.

Paul Watson came to the Board asking to add an additional volunteer coach to the football program next week.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE MAY 18, 2021 BOARD MEETING AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Janssen seconded by Fesser to approve the May 18, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

The Consent Agenda included regular and closed minutes, reorganization and special meeting minutes, policy committee minutes, bills, payroll, and Treasurer's Report for approval.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE MAY 18, 2021 CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Kettelkamp, seconded by Tarter to approve the May 18, 2021 Consent Agenda as presented.

Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Kettelkamp – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA. Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I think this is about the first in the last 12 years, but the States only owes the District \$28,648.14 in Driver's Education and Early Childhood funding. Driver's Education is behind 2 payments and each of the EC grants are only behind 1 payment. Everything else is paid up-to-date including Transportation and Special Education. As for legislation, the May 31 deadline is coming to an end. The Governor has revised his budget proposal to include additional funds in the Evidence based funding model.

Graduation is set for Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

I have included a copy of the Fuel (RFP) Bid sheet for your review. These will go out next week and an ad placed in the paper per requirements.

As for summer projects, here is some information:

- a. Greenhouse will be delivered and built on or around June 7...
- b. Kitchen plans are in the works and Poettker will start on that when we are ready. The problem here is going to make sure we get all the equipment in before school starts in August. We will keep all of the old equipment for the time being just in case.

- c. The cameras for North School are ready to be installed.
- d. The intercom system at North School will be ready in July.
- e. They will start cleaning all ducts and place the cleaning machines in the AC units starting in July after summer school.
- f. I will be ordering new flooring for the JH and North offices next week as well as the North School Music room.

Summer School Information:

- g. Curriculum for Reading has been ordered.
- h. Curriculum for Math is awaiting final numbers to order.
- i. We have 5-8 high school students that will engage in credit recovery.
- j. We have 0-2 JH students that will need credit recovery.
- k. We have 55 elementary students signed up so far with 20 awaiting parental permission.
- l. We have approximately 30 students who have been recommended at the JH for summer school.
- m. Flyers for summer school has been posted and awaiting parents to sign other kids up.

The Resolution to deny Taylorville their withdrawal was mailed and return receipts returned. We offered Taylorville a way to keep the FACeS/CBI program in Taylorville by giving them a list of expectations, but the Superintendent denied it. It is likely, with the blessing of our attorney, that we will move the program to both Nokomis/Pana to be split next year. Under the terms of the amended Joint Agreement, Taylorville cannot start her own program, if she tried, legal action can and will likely be taken. Now, they are blaming all the dysfunction on the curriculum. We have a great research-based curriculum, but it is not being taught with fidelity because they will not allow NPT Personnel to supervisor that instruction properly, but also because during remote learning this year, the curriculum was not being utilized properly. Actually, it is just another excuse with incorrect information.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principals provided the Board with written reports.

OLD BUSINESS

President Ruppert announcement the following Board Committee Appointments:

POLICY COMMITTEE: Janssen, Bauman, and Fesser
 BUILDING & GROUNDS: Tarter, Kettelkamp, and Gasparich
 TRANSPORTATION: Fesser, Gasparich, and Ruppert
 PARENT/TEACHER ADVISORY: Tarter and Gasparich
 NEGOTIATIONS: Ruppert, Kettelkamp, and Janssen
 NEF: Bauman
 NPT GOVERNING BOARD: Ruppert

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE UPDATED BOARD POLICIES, EXHIBITS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (#106) AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Janssen seconded by Kettelkamp to approve the updated Board policies, exhibits, and administrative procedures (#106) as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE NORTH ELEMENTARY STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Tarter, seconded by Fesser to approve the North Elementary Student Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE NOKOMIS JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Tarter to approve the Nokomis Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE HS KITCHEN EQUIPMENT BID PACKAGE WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: ADD AN ICE MACHINE AND REMOVE REFRIGERATOR.

Motion by Tarter, seconded by Kettelkamp to approve the HS Kitchen Equipment bid package with the following changes: add an ice machine and remove refrigerator.

Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Kettelkamp – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE SUBSTITUTE PAY SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Fesser to approve the substitute pay salary schedule for the 2021-2022 school year.

Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Kettelkamp – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:30 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATIONS, COMPENSATION, APPOINTMENT AND DISCIPLINE OF PERSONNEL.

Motion by Fesser seconded by Tarter to enter into closed session at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of employment, evaluations, compensation, appointment and discipline of personnel.

Ruppert – YEA, Kettelkamp – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION AT 9:03 P.M.

Motion by Janssen seconded by Tarter to re-enter regular session from closed session at 9:03 p.m. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING RESIGNATIONS: ABBIE HOCQ (EFFECTIVE MAY 26, 2021), ALEXIS MCDOWELL AND KEVIN MCDONALD EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2021.

Motion by Tarter seconded by Fesser to accept the following resignations: Abbie Hocq (effective May 26, 2021), Alexis McDowell and Kevin McDonald effective June 30, 2021.

Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE FROM RACHELLE MCDOWELL EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2025.

Motion by Janssen seconded by Kettelkamp to approve the Letter of Intent to Retire from Rachelle McDowell effective June 30, 2025. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO EMPLOY MASON MORRIS, LANDON ENGELMAN, AND MATTHEW ULRICI AS SUMMER STUDENT WORKERS FROM JUNE 2, 2021 TO AUGUST 12, 2021 AND AMY ROSELAND, NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PART-TIME SECRETARY BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021.

Motion by Fesser seconded by Tarter to employ Mason Morris, Landon Engelman, and Matthew Ulrici as summer student workers from June 2, 2021 to August 12, 2021 and Amy Roseland, North Elementary School part-time secretary beginning August 1, 2021.

Kettelkamp – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO ADJOURN

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Tarter to adjourn. Motion passed by voice vote.

Chad Ruppert, President

Denny Bauman, Secretary