**HARRINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT #204**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Elementary Room of Requirement**

**June 28, 2017**

**Regular Board Meeting @ 7:00 AM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular board meeting was called to order by Vice President, Mark Kramer at 7:05 AM.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Present at the meeting were Vice President Mark Kramer, Alan Tanke, Brad Simpson, and Linda Mielke. Board of Directors Chairman Darren Mattozzi joined the meeting via phone until 7:40 a.m. Staff members present were, Principal/Superintendent Justin Bradford, Jane Talkington, Tiffany Clouse, Linda Colbert, Tony Hamilton, and Mike Cronrath. Community members Heather Slack, Ed Warner, Shannon Sewell, Alyssa Oestreich, and Cade Clarke, along with Mark and Marcia Smith from the Davenport Times were also in attendance.

**FLAG SALUTE:** The flag salute was led by Mike Cronrath.

Brad Simpson made and Alan Tanke seconded the motion to approve additions to New Business on the board agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Consent Agenda included the May 31, 2017 regular board meeting and June 22, 2017 special meeting minutes; June 2017 accounts payable and payroll. Warrants: BMO MasterCard Wire, equaling $6,198.50, General Fund (First Run) #809698-809699, equaling $366.28, and General Fund (Second Run) #809700-809738,equaling $52,070.88; Payroll Warrants #809747-809780, equaling $159,380.29; ASB BMO MasterCard Wire equaling $2,417.84; ASB Warrant #809739-809746, equaling $952.34; Private Purpose Trust Fund Warrant #0, equaling $0; Transportation Fund Warrants #0, equaling $0, Capital Projects Fund Warrants, equaling $0.

Darren Mattozzi motioned and Brad Simpson seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

**DELEGATIONS:**

**REPORTS:**

**Board:**

Linda Mielke reported on the Ag Advisory meeting on June 20, 2017. An additional class period will be added to Betty’s schedule for 2017-2018 school year since the whole school will start the day with Prime Time. Suggestions were taken from the committee for subjects to teach during that period. The new wood working equipment is here and will take most of the summer to get it set up and working. Ed Warner plans to hold a summer community welding class in July or August. He has had four to six people show interest.

**Superintendent/Principal:** Mr. Bradford discussed the following items:

1. Assessment update – Tiffany Clouse reported on spring assessments which included Aimsweb Benchmark testing, SBA (grades 3-11) Smarter Balanced Assessments and EOC Biology assessments.
2. Prime Time and class schedules are set for 2017-2018 school year along with advisory and morning meetings.
3. End of year updates: All report cards and the monthly newsletter have been mailed out. State reports are due by Friday, June 30th. Mrs. Clouse and Mr. Bradford are working on new report cards for next year. Summer building maintenance is on its way for the summer.
4. We are budgeting for 97 students, but could have as many as 107.
5. Mr. Bradford shared his summer vacation dates with the board.
6. Legislature is in its 3rd session, but there should be something hopefully by June 30th. The state could have a partial shutdown if they don’t come to some kind of an agreement. Starting 2017-2021, students do not have to pass their Biology EOC, but they do have to pass ELA and Math. M&O Levy’s – not sure what will happen with salaries and teachers, but there is talk of moving up the beginner teachers on the staff allocation mix.
7. WSLA update – the plan is to take it to a second level for next year.
8. We are excited to bring back Panther Pride!
9. The pool costs a lot of money to run and only brings in a little bit of revenue each month. Swimming lessons are finishing up this week. The summer pool hours are 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm and then 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Monday through Friday and will be placed on the website.
10. Facilities/Bond issues – will report next month.
11. The Pre-school proposal – depends on the number of children. For a classified teacher, the cost would be around $50,000 per year (including benefits) and for a certified teacher, an average cost would be approximately $70,000 (including benefits). With an extra para-pro, the cost would be the same as a classified teacher. We have explored day care, but that would cost a lot of money. An option is to open pre-school to 2 year olds. It is time to move forward and advertise for the most qualified person. If we do not charge tuition for pre-school, that would be a cost to the tax payers.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* 1. Brad Simpson made and Linda Mielke seconded the motion to approve the Professional Tuition Grant application for Tiffany Clouse in the amount of $500. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Alan Tanke made and Brad Simpson seconded the motion to approve the hiring of Mike Cronrath as Harrington School District Athletic Director for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 4-0

Mr. Cronrath provided handouts and delivered a presentation of surveys from students that they took at the end of the school year and to goals as moving forward as Panthers.

Harrington Athletics Board Report:

June 28, 2017

Issues:

1. What sports can we offer?

a. FALL:

I. Middle School Football...or

II. Middle School Cross-Country

(and POSSIBLY both...looking at the numbers, and who responded)

III. High School Cross-Country

1. it is an "individual" sport

2. many MS, and HS meets are at the same time and location

3. utilize one coach for both MS and HS

IV. High School Volleyball

(might have to look at a JV schedule)

b. WINTER:

I. Middle School Boys Basketball

II. *(Possibly)* High School Boys Basketball

(even more possibly if we brought up the 8th grade, and we looked at a JV schedule)

III. *(Possibly)* High School Girls Basketball

(even more possibly if we brought up the 8th grade, and we looked at a JV schedule)

iv. Cheer

c. SPRING:

I. Middle School Track

II. High School Golf

III. High School Tennis

d. It is not possible to offer "Junior Varsity" for any of our team sports.

I. We can play a JV schedule with our "Varsity'' players.

II. We do not have enough athletes to put both Varsity and Junior Varsity teams on the field/floor on the same day*/*evening.

1. The Occupational Therapy Services Contract for Nina Olson for the 2017-2018 school year was tabled until the July board meeting.
2. Brad Simpson motioned and Linda Mielke seconded the motion to approve the Driver’s Education Service Provider Contract for David Brennan for the summer of 2017. The motion carried 4-0.
3. Alan Tanke motioned and Brad Simpson seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 01-17, 2017-2018 WIAA membership. The motion carried 4-0.

There was much discussion on building the new athletic program and where we are headed in the future. Heather Slack specified that she was unhappy that the students were not included on the decision of the new mascot and colors. She believes that there seems to be a disconnect with the community. We need to pull the community back in so we don’t lose students. Alyssa Oestreich wants to make sure that the school continues to be open with the public. She thanked the board and appreciates the jobs that they do. Mr. Bradford responded that we need to build our own program and get our identity back. The decision was made to go with the Panther mascot since that is who we used to be. There is a possibility of working with other districts in the future, but that would be the superintendent’s decision.

Mark Smith wondered if the board retreat was a public meeting and the board responded that yes, it will be open to the public.

1. Alan Tanke made and Brad Simpson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 4-0.

**The meeting then was adjourned @ 10:13 AM.**

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