Kickapoo Area School District Board Briefs

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at the regular scheduled meeting the Kickapoo Area School Board took the following action:

- **♦** Approved expense vouchers and receipts
- ♦ Approved minutes from January 12, 2022 regular board meeting
- ♦ Approved minutes from January 26, 2022 Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting
- ♦ Accepted the following donations, with thanks: \$500 from Cade Financial, \$500 from Fleming Financial, \$1000 from Compeer, and \$450 from Marty and Leah Grosse for wrestling warmups; \$500 from Ruby Merry for the music department.
- ♦ Approved Building Risk Insurance with The Insurance Center at a cost of approximately \$400 per month
- ♦ Approved the following COVID Protocol: to lift face covering restrictions at extracurricular events and after school practices effective immediately, and starting Monday, February 28, 2022 face coverings will be recommended but not required. Masking on buses will still be required until March 18, 2022 due to federal guidelines. Mandatory masking will go into effect if the threshold of COVID cases reses above 3% per building level, and administration is granted flexibility to implement.
- ♦ To approve an employee referral bonus of \$500 to staff members who recruit a potential employee who is hired and has successfully worked for the district for at least six months.
- Accepted letters of resignation from Heather Schmidt as speech and language pathologist and Eric Wiegel as baseball coach and summer baseball coordinator.
- ♦ Approved the spending of ESSER III funds as presented.
- ♦ Approved the Brewer Incentive Trip for students in grade 12 as presented
- ♦ No action was taken on the 1st reading of Neola Board Policy Section 0000 Bylaws
- ♦ Approved Joy Leighton as Speech and Language Pathologist for the remainder of this school year
- ♦ Approved spring coaching positions as follows: Baseball Mike Cauffman; Softball Head: Jenna Hamilton, Asst. Scott "Pete" Gander; Track Head Boys: Jeremy Lee, Asst. Jeff Wendorf; Head Girls: Sam Geary, Asst. Kelsey Daines; Middle School Track Head: Katie Stinson, Assistants: Kristi Deaver and Megan Schullo.

Heard reports on or discussed the following:

- Solar energy options Ron Uhe
- Band trip update
- Achievement Gap Reduction report
- January membership update
- Co-op sports reports for 2020-21 and 2021-22

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