

Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, April 17, 2023 7:30 PM Central  
Posting Locations:

Fillmore Central High School  
1410 L Street  
Geneva, NE 68361-1599

- Nebraska Signal

Posted Date: April 12, 2023

Chad Engle: Present  
Shaun Farmer: Present  
Christin Lovegrove: Present  
Whitney Peppard: Present  
Scott Schelkopf: Present  
Adam Wallin: Present

Present: 6.

1. Call to Order

Called to order by President Shaun Farmer at 7:30p.m.

2. Recognize Open Meetings Laws and location of the poster

3. Roll Call

4. Declaration of Legal Meeting/Excuse Absences

4.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

Recommendation that this regular meeting of April 17, 2023 be declared a legal meeting passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Scott Schelkopf.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4.2. Excuse Absences

5. Public Comment

6. Reports from Administration

Elementary – At this time there are approximately 36+ students for the upcoming Kindergarten class. On April 26<sup>th</sup> there will be a parent meeting. K-4 will participate in Earth Day activities in the afternoon on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The elementary will host Proud Panther Night on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Middle School – Wellness Day was March 22<sup>nd</sup>, the students attended different sessions. Grades 5-8 are taking NSCAS testing this week. They are wrapping up the science portion of testing. The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will visit the Middle School for step up day on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Step Up day will include a tour and meeting their new teachers. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation will take place on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

High School – Testing Day was April 13<sup>th</sup> for Grades 9-11 with 100% attendance. Thursday was also the Senior’s Skip Day. They went to the York Community Center in the morning and then Golfing at Hidden Hills in the Afternoon. On Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> Grades 9-12 had a give back day where they completed different community service projects around Geneva. Athletic and Awards night will be May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm. The Seniors last day is May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent – Review of legislation. There are some unknowns with current filibusters that are ongoing. BVH came and checked out the facilities on April 10<sup>th</sup>. LED lights have been installed in the Downtown Gym. April Kelley hosted the last PLC for this school year on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## 7. Action Items

### 7.1. Consent Agenda

Recommendation that the Board approve the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Christin Lovegrove.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following Board meetings: March 13, 2023

7.1.2. Receive, review and accept Finance reports

7.1.3. Review and approve the General Fund Claims

7.1.4. Review and approve the Building Fund Claims

### 7.2. Review and approve the Mabel Nedza Scholarship

Recommendation that the Board approve awarding 3 student scholarships of \$500 each with the Mabel Matthies-Nedza Scholarship Fund passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Adam Wallin.

Chad Engle: Abstain (With Conflict), Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

There will be approximately \$1500 available for use. In past years there has been 3 scholarships of \$500 a piece.

### 7.3. Review and Approve Principal 2023-2024 Contracts/Salary

Recommendation that the Board approve Principal Contracts for Aaron Veleba (Elementary) \$97,320, Lisa Lamb (Middle School) \$97,290, and Ryun Theobald (High School/Athletic Director) \$116,690 which is a salary increase of 2.98% for the 2023-2024 school year passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Adam Wallin.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

### 7.4. Review and Approve the 2023-2024 Superintendent Contract and Salary

Recommendation that the Board approve a Superintendent Contract for Joshua Cumpston for the 2023-2024 school year (July 1 - June 30) with a salary of \$158,975 which is a salary increase of 1.66% passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Adam Wallin.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 7.5. Review, Discuss and Approve the purchase of Math Materials

Recommendation that the Board approve the purchase of Math materials in the amount of \$132,460 with \$75,394 being paid by ESSERS funds and the remaining \$57,066 being paid by the General Fund passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Amber with ESU 6 has been working with Fillmore Central on finding the correct new math materials. Grades K-12 will be getting new materials. Currently K-8 has Saxon Math. Saxon Math is no longer available for purchase and is not supported online. The High School materials are very old, as old as 20+ years. A select group of Math teachers throughout the District have met with Amber 8 times since August. EveryDay Math has been selected for K-8 and BigIdeas in Math has been selected for 3-12. The price includes at least 7 years of materials. Payment for these materials will be on the 2023-2024 budget.

#### 7.6. Recognize FCEA as Official Bargaining Unit for Negotiations

Recommendation that the Board recognize the Fillmore Central Education Association (FCEA) as the exclusive bargaining unit for certificated staff for the 2024-2025 school year passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 7.7. Discuss selling a welder (and possibly other items) from the shop classrooms

Recommendation that the Board declare welders and other associated welding items from the shop classroom as surplus property and make them available for sale at fair market price passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Scott Schelkopf.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Surplus equipment to be sold from the shop. Proceeds will come into general fund.

#### 7.8. Discuss, review and take any necessary action on the football field lights

No action was taken.

Mr. Cumpston has been working with Musco and Ferris Engineering. The final quote should be received sometime this week. Fillmore Central will be able to purchase the lights directly through Musco. The lights should be installed in time for the first football game this fall. The approval of the football field lighting project will be decided at a special board meeting that will take place on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### 7.9. Discuss, Review and Take any Necessary Action on Trees and Landscaping North of the Track

Recommendation that the Board approve the dirt work to be done by Mussman Excavating north of the football field passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

## 8. Discussion Items

### 8.1. Student Handbooks

Handbooks will not be approved until June. Discussion was held regarding graduation ceremony and other activities associated with meeting criteria.

### 8.2. KSB Board Policies

Policy committee has been through the 1000s, 2000s, 3000s and 4000s. The board will plan to vote on these in June.

### 8.3. National Qualifiers

Discussion was held regarding General Fund support for students who qualify for national events. It was suggested that \$300 per qualifier be allowed from the General Fund with each organization additionally being allowed to use their annual \$1,500 General Fund transfer plus whatever is raised through concessions sales. Students in grades 9-12 will follow this procedure beginning in the 2023-2024 school year.

### 8.4. Graduation

Graduation will take place on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. The Board of Education will meet in the Board Room at 1:30pm. The Senior video will start at 1:40pm. Chad Engle will Speak.

### 8.5. Classified Staff Salaries

Classified Staff Salaries have not been finalized.

### 8.6. Elementary Door Replacement

### 8.7. Next Meeting: May 15, 2023 at 7:30 pm

### 8.8. Review and Discuss Property East of the football field

#### 8.8.1. Enter into Executive Session

Recommendation that the Board enter Executive Session at 9:12 pm to discuss acquiring property east of the football field from the City of Geneva passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Scott Schelkopf.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 8.8.2. Reconvene Regular Meeting

Recommendation that the Board reconvene the regular meeting at 9:30 pm passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

### 8.9. Advisory Committee

Discussion was held regarding Mr. Cumpston developing a committee of community members in order to help promote communication between the school and other community entities.

#### 9. Adjourn Meeting

Recommendation that this regular meeting of April 17, 2023 be adjourned at 9:34 pm passed with a motion by Scott Schelkopf and a second by Christin Lovegrove.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0