

December 2022 Regular Meeting

Monday, December 12, 2022 7:00 PM

High School Media Center

as advertised in the *Pilot-Tribune/Enterprise* and on the schools' website fortcalhounschoools.org

ROUTINE BUSINESS

-Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. There were 13 visitors and 2 administrators present.

-Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws: So noted

-Excused Absences: Moved that the absence of Josh Christensen be excused. This motion, made by Schrum and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Absent, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

-Roll Call: Mike Bonacci-Present; Josh Christensen-Absent; Mike Conrad-Present; Jon Genoways-Present; Amanda Schrum-Present; Kelli Shaner-Present

-Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve Agenda as presented. This motion, made by Schrum and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Absent, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

PRESENTATION

Mr. Wemhoff presented a plaque to Jon Genoways for his 16 years of service to the board, schools and community. When speaking to his daughter recently she said to be on the board "they love the school" and this is what Jon exemplifies. He has given and given back. Mr. Wagner presented a plaque to Mike Conrad for his 12 years of service to the board, schools and community. He stated "historic things have happened while Mike's been here and has contributed to the progressive mindset of the board. He strives to be in the lead in Nebraska schools. He concluded by presenting "Bagels for the Board" in honor of a running joke regarding "Muffins with Mom" and "Donuts with Dad".

REGULAR AGENDA

Public Participation: President Conrad read the guidelines. Jamie Collins addressed the board about an issue he sees with the lunch program and not having enough food for some of the last students. There have been a couple times that students had to wait for lunch and no seconds were available. Mr. Wemhoff said he has spoken with the Food Service staff and they are working toward a resolution. The numbers of students who eat fluctuates and they are working on getting a system to have a more accurate count so there are fewer leftovers. This is the first year of back-to-back lunches and they are continuing to monitor it and work on it. Board suggestions were to offer options other than the main entrée which they do, offer salad bar, or cook extra. Mr. Wemhoff said there are new people in new positions and are working

differently. Mike Bonacci asked if this was a budget issue or calculation of the number of lunches. Mr. Wemhoff will look into this further and get back to the board with an answer.

-Approval of Claims: Motion to approve the Claims as presented in the amount of \$340,827.80 from the General Fund and \$55,028.40 from Savings and Depreciation. This motion, made by Schrum and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Josh Christensen: Absent. President Conrad explained the claims from Arbor Family, Calhoun Oil, the gym payment and Z-trip. He also noted the claims for Savings and Depreciation.

- Claim from Abe's Trash Service: Moved that the claim from Abe's Trash Service be approved in the amount of \$1,565.45. This motion, made by Genoways and seconded by Schrum, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

-Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Schrum, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Christensen: Absent. Genoways noted, tongue in cheek, that the November Transportation was not accurate.

-Standing Committee Reports: Kelli Shaner reported for both committees as the items discussed were similar. They included new staff hires and looking at budget figures for this, who is responsible for the power problem at the elementary garage, a request to institute pole vault in our track program, installing a canopy on the Preschool playground to better adhere to state guidelines; the new negotiated contract for teachers, and advertising for vacancies. The Finance Committee also spoke about purchasing Chromebooks for the 6th graders as part of the replacement schedule. Their older ones will go to lower grades, be used for parts, and to handle the increase in student numbers.

-Accept the Negotiated Agreement with Certified Teaching Staff for 2023-24: Moved that the board of education accept the negotiated agreement with the certified staff for 2023-24. This motion, made by Schrum and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Jon Genoways: Nay, Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. Jon Genoways was not in agreement about cashing in sick time. We want the teachers in the buildings but if they're sick it's a benefit for their use. Over the years boards have compensated teachers who have retired in a variety of ways. He said future committees need to have a dialog about it. He concluded "once it in there, you won't get it out". Conrad thanked the committee for their work and stated that there is now negotiations experience with all board members.

-Board Member Reports: Amanda Schrum thanked Mike and Jon for their help over the years; Kelli Shaner the same and said he learned a lot and they will be missed; Mike Bonacci is glad to see the gyms/buildings in use and commented that the windows really help on dark mornings and evenings. Jon Genoways addressed the current and newly-elected members saying professional debating is good for meetings and that is how issues are resolved. His interest in the board peaked when the bond levy failed and having lived here, gone to school here, and having a family here decided to run to keep our school and get the district back on track. He entrusted the new members to continue the torch and do good things for our district and kids. Mike Conrad

became a member when he was asked to run the levy override and was on the Foundation. He said over the past 12 years members may not always agree but respect others' opinions, had good dialog and look what we've done. We have one of the best schools in the area, our kids are blessed and that's why there are so many option students who come here. He said its nice to see alumnae taking over the roles and that decisions have to be what's best for kids and the district.

-Administrator Reports: Mr. Wemhoff thanked Mike and Jon for their contributions to the school and community as board members. He also spoke about the Math Curriculum Alignment, MTSS training, success of the blood drive sponsored by Mrs. Lloyd and the Medical Careers Club, Aquest updates and the upcoming panel of graduates coming to speak to our seniors made possible by Mrs. Hernandez and Mrs. Krambeck, upcoming professional development centering on problem solving with students, a lasagna dinner to benefit Post Prom, band and choir concerts, and the Winter Formal. Mr. Wagner reported on the Thanksgiving Feast and upcoming winter testing, working with Mr. Bouwman on the Math adoption, upcoming professional development and events, and that there are no new updates on Nebraska Frameworks at this time. Mr. Schleifer's report included an update on the activities taking place now in the schools, the upcoming Holiday Tournament, and a staff appreciation breakfast on December 17th.

-Superintendent Report: President Conrad highlighted Mr. Green's report which included progress on board goals, the new school bus, an update on what is and will be happening with the Legislature, and that bids for the track/field project will go out after the first of the year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.