

## April 2023 Regular Meeting

Monday, April 10, 2023 7:00 PM

as advertised in the *Pilot-Tribune/Enterprise* and  
the schools' website [fortcalhounschoools.org](http://fortcalhounschoools.org)

High School Media Center

### ROUTINE BUSINESS

-Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM – there were 7 visitors present.  
Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws: So noted

-Excused Absences: None-all present

-Roll Call: Mike Bonacci-Present; Josh Christensen-Present; Cassie Kelly-Present; Amanda Schrum-Present; Kelli Shaner-Present; Ted Welchert-Present

-Approval of Agenda: Moved that the agenda be approved as presented. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

### REGULAR AGENDA

-Public Participation: No one asked to address the board.

- Approval of Claims: Moved that the claims for April be approved in the amount of \$76,372.39 from the General Fund, and \$42,543.66 from Savings & Depreciation. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. An explanation of the Arbor Family claim was given.

- Claim for Abe's Trash Service: Moved that the claim from Abe's Trash be approved in the amount of \$1,565.45. This motion, made by Kelly and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Josh Christensen: Abstain, Mike Bonacci: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

-Consent Agenda: Moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. This motion made by Kelly and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. There was discussion about the Transportation Report and the Food Service Report.

### -Standing Committee Reports

Finance: Christensen reported on an increase for the cleaning company; a new vehicle for the PLC; routine HVAC work being done in the buildings; the classified staff pay schedule; adding the Musical to the extra duty schedule; adoption of a girls wrestling program and hiring coaches; position of the new elementary marquee; scheduling the board retreat in conjunction with the day of the June 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting; and changing the day of the May board meeting. Adding the Musical to the extra duty schedule will be tabled for further discussion.

American Civics: Shaner reported on their discussions that included the same items as Finance

but also included discussing and recommending policies 2005, 2006 and 2007; allowing the FCYSO youth football to use school facilities to be consistent with their other programs; and that there are conflicts with the changes for the May meeting and the board retreat.

-Policies: 2005 Conflict of Interest, 2006 Complaint Procedure, 2007 Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures: Moved that the board of education waive first reading and affirm on second reading Policies 2005 Conflict of Interest, 2006 Complaint Procedure, and 2007 Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures. This motion, made by Kelly and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. The policies were reviewed by the American Civics committee and are being recommended with no changes. The intent of these policies was explained.

-Change Date of May 2023 Meeting: Moved that the May 2023 Board Meeting be moved from Monday May 8, 2023 to Tuesday May 9, 2023. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea.

-Resolution to Establish an Athletic Finance Account for Grid Iron: Moved that Resolution 2023-1-1 be approved to establish an athletic finance account for Grid Iron and the cancellation of financial accounts from the prior athletic director. This motion, made by Bonacci and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

-Adoption of a Girls Wrestling Program to begin in 2023-24: Moved that the board of education approve the addition of a Girls Wrestling program. This motion, made by Bonacci and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Mr. Schleifer said the state and nation is moving toward this and there are currently 4 girls teams in our conference. Fort Calhoun has numbers to support the decision. Finding coaches is difficult. Seasons for girls vary and NDE is working on junior high to “catch up” as the program grows.

-Girls Head and Assistant Wrestling Coaches: Moved that the board of education add Head Girls Wrestling and Assistant Girls Wrestling to the extra duty schedule. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Schrum, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea.

-Musical Sponsor: Moved that the board of education add Musical sponsor to the extra duty schedule at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_% for 1-3 years and \_\_\_\_\_% for 4 plus years. This motion was tabled to research further.

-Extra Duty Schedule: This motion was withdrawn.

-Classified Staff Pay Schedule as Presented: Moved that the board of education approve the revised Classified Staff Pay Schedule as presented. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. This has been updated to better describe some positions, and add ones approved but not currently listed.

- Increase for Cleaning Company Rates: Moved that the board of education approve a pay increase of 4% for the Pioneer Cleaning Company. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Christensen, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. We have used them for 8 years without any increases except addition of square footage. They do a nice job and this increase is in line.

-Purchase of a New Vehicle for the PLC: Moved that the board of education complete the purchase of a 2023 Chevy Traverse in the amount of \$39,705 which includes the trade-in of Van #10 for the PLC as recommended by the committees. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. The construction classes will use one of the other vans now and PLC will use this vehicle as it better fits their needs. The cost had been put aside and will be paid from Savings & Depreciation.

- Elementary Special Education: Moved that the board of education extend a contract of employment to Tara Mueller for Elementary Special Education beginning in 2023-24. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. This will be her first year and are excited for her to bring good energy and expertise with a “small school feel” as she student taught in districts our size.

#### -Resignations:

- Resignation of Molly Geisler: Moved that the resignation of Molly Geisler be accepted at the end of the current contract period. This motion, made by Kelly and seconded by Schrum, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

- Resignation of Sydney Schulenberg: Moved that the resignation of Sydney Schulenberg be accepted at the end of the current contract period. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Mr. Wagner said she will be missed as she is a big part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade team.

-Board Member Reports: Schrum reported Prom was amazing and is one of the “great” perks for being a board member; scheduling the Board Retreat on July 10<sup>th</sup> to alleviate conflicts and to arrange for having Marcia Herring come from NSBA to present. Christensen asked about the timeline with MUD and the track renovation. It will be done around track meets and after school is out. Bonacci commented on the upcoming end of the year and the quiet gyms with the kids being able to be outside.

Administrator Reports: Mr. Wagner reported on events in the building including having the UNL Extension in the classrooms which is a no-cost program; the success of the reunification drill; positions open for 23-24; an update on the Math adoption; Kindergarten Roundup; professional development and upcoming events. Our school improvement program through Nebraska Frameworks is moving toward the 2024-25 visit beginning with a parent survey link. Costs for the elementary playground shade are being finalized and he is meeting with the PFE to help with funding.

Mr. Wemhoff reported on the success of prom and post prom; upcoming Freshman Orientation and Honors Night; 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade testing; seniors' last day and graduation, and upcoming events stating it is a very busy time of the year.

Mr. Schleifer was supervising an event and his report was included in the agenda.

2.19. Superintendent Report and Legislative Update: Mr. Green reported on the board goals, the wrestling room update with the pads here and ready to be installed; intent letters to staff due by April 15<sup>th</sup> and if there are further resignations we could have trouble filling positions with such a small teacher pool, and graduation. With 2/3 of the legislative session over, the "Governor's Education Package" has momentum and was introduced as "all or nothing" but amendments are being attached were not part of the original package. Either way it will have an impact on school finances.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Schrum declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.