

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2020 7:00 PM High School Media Center

ROUTINE BUSINESS

-Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 3 administrators, and one visitor present, and 2 visitors via Zoom.

-Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws

-Excused Absences: All present

-Roll Call: Mike Bonacci: Present, Mike Conrad: Present Jon Genoways: Present Kim Lukasiewicz: Present Amanda Schrum: Present Kelli Shaner: Present

-Approval of Agenda: The agenda as presented passed with a motion by Amanda Schrum and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

REGULAR AGENDA

-Public Participation: No one asked to address the board.--or questions via Zoom.

-Approval of Claims: Moved that the claims for May be approved in the amount of \$105,057.79 from the General Fund, \$59,716.95 from the Building Fund, and \$310,749.78 from Savings & Depreciation passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. There were questions about the concrete work and the bill from CDWG for new computers.

-Consent Agenda: Moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

-Standing Committee Reports

•Education, American Civics: Kelli Shaner reported on discussing the year end budget and plans for next year's and recommending to purchase the Stephens property; recommending that the District develop a district-wide Facebook page for communications; extending the Summer Food Program through June 30, 2020: an update on construction issues; and were informed about the 3% wage increases and increasing preschool tuition.

•Finance and Technology: Mike Conrad reported on discussing the year end budget and plans for next year's and recommending to purchase the Stephens property; recommending the proposed 3% salary increases and a \$10 increase for preschool as it has not changed in the past 5 years; extending the Summer Food Program through June 30, 2020 and reassess expenses/reimbursement at that time; and updates on the elementary construction. Dr. Johnson said there will be concrete piers to help stabilize the new gym which will be much more cost effective than trying to remove and replace the soil.

-Acceptance of Resignation: Moved that the board of education accept the resignation of Charlee Potadle effective at the conclusion of the 2019-20 contract year passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Amanda Schrum. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

-Hiring of Staff

•Elementary Special Education: Moved that the board of education offer a contract of employment to

Lacey Sears for Elementary Special Education beginning for 2020-21 passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Mike Conrad. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. She brings a background with behavior students and will be a good fit.

•Junior High English: Moved that the board of education offer a contract of employment to Kim Pace for Junior High English beginning the 2020-21 school year passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Mike Bonacci. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea: Questions were asked about why she is coming back and that the opportunity was here and she is excited about coming back. Mr. Green said she'll be wonderful.

-Administrative Salaries: Moved that the board of education set the administrators' salaries at a 3% increase for their 2020-21 contract period passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Mike Conrad.

Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This increase is in line with other conference schools and teaching staff.

-Classified Salaries: Moved that the board of education set salaries for classified staff for 2020-21 not to exceed a 3% increase passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Amanda Schrum.

Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This increase is in line with other conference schools and non-certified staff.

-Precast Contract Award: Moved that the board of education offer a contract to Coreslab Industries for the precast concrete package for \$358,239.00 passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Amanda Schrum. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. Dr. Johnson said this is a great bid, way under the next lowest one received; and Boyd Jones has worked with them before and is confident with their work.

-Capital Project Approval: Moved that the board of education approve the recommended Capitol Fund Expenditures at the amount of \$158,607.58 passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Amanda Schrum. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. These expenses will finish out the elementary project, upgrade services, and fulfill the need for a new vehicle for Special Education transportation.

-Stephens Property Purchase: Moved that the board of education enter into an agreement with Zach Stephens to purchase the Stephens property at a future time passed with a motion by Amanda Schrum and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This is an opportunity to completely enclose the elementary campus within a 2-block area. It will help finish off things for the campus, playground and parking lot. Jon Genoways will be attending a City Council meeting to present to them. Mike Conrad said he was glad for the recommendation and help from a local real estate agent to make sure we're in the ball park with the asking price.

-Board Retreat-Discussion: After discussion about dates, the board retreat is set for Wednesday June 24th to begin around 8:30 AM. The purpose will be to review the past year, go over the 2020-21 budget proposal and then discuss future planning with the new administrators. Dr. Johnson will get an agenda to members prior to the meeting.

-Board Member Reports: Board members said that "graduation" was awesome and thanked those who took pictures, the senior and graduation videos. All did an excellent job. Jon Genoways thanked the administration for letting him hand out the diplomas and said the District did everything in its power to make this the best it could be. Mike Bonacci also commented on how nice the grounds look with all the everything now coming up and blooming. Amanda Schrum thanked Mr. Wilson for posting all the

Covid-19 information on the website and the teachers for the great job they have done these past weeks.
-Administrator Reports

•Mr. Green: Spoke about graduation and it was a huge success for what we had to work with and thanked Jon Genoways; with the end of the year coming, he asked his staff to leave a message with their students and let them know “we’re all in this together”; upcoming SRO training for administrators and Officer Byelick; thanked PFE for remembering us during Teacher Appreciation Week; and the upcoming 7-12 end of the year grades and student Chrome Book check-ins.

•Mr. Wagner: Thanked PFE for Teacher Appreciation; staff has been working really hard with the final enrichment projects: drop off and pick up could change for 2020-21 because of the construction and teachers and classrooms will be reconfigured for the least amount of movement. Jon Genoways asked for a pictorial of the new classroom layout. He spoke about Zoom meetings with staff and teachers with their students; is excited about having a Facebook page; getting all students a “Summer Bridge Book” for this year; teacher check out; and going ahead with the Social Studies adoption to be ready for the beginning of the school year. Professional development is ongoing with computer presentations; and still are going to try to schedule Kindergarten Roundup at a later time if schools can open possibly some time in July. The Cognia review is on hold until further notice.

•Mr. Wemhoff: Hired Kim Pace and excited to get her back; have hired a Head Girls Basketball coach who has already done a zoom with the girls and they are excited; waiting to hear from NSAA about Summer activities and what this will mean for us; sports schedules for next year will be posted on July 1st with the most current information we have at the time; working with Mr. Christensen to get him familiar with his new position; Savannah Lukaszewicz and Kaden Therkildsen received the Booster Club Scholarships; and the Spring Scholar Athlete awards to honor those who are outstanding in the classroom and field of play. He has been working on learning and having lots of conversations to transition into his new position.

-Superintendent Report and Legislative Update: Dr. Johnson reported on the elementary project, still working to complete our visions for the SRO in the buildings and trainings mandated for schools, and shifting our focus from student tracking to what school might look like if we are forced to be remote again which might not be known until at least the middle of July. He also reported on continuing to follow the guidance from NDE and 3 Rivers Health in the wake of coronavirus and if there is going to be another peak; continue the Summer feeding program as it is growing and Food Pantry as it has ups as well as downs, and finishing out the school year. He commended the principals for managing to go an outstanding job in this “uncharted territory”. There were weeks when we had to change from day to day and still do what’s right for kids. Our SRO will be taking a bigger lead in our Safety Program; havin

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no need for executive session.

There were no questions or comments from the Zoom attendees.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business President Genoways adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.