

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, August 12, 2019 7:00 PM

Fort Calhoun, NE 68023

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 4 visitors.

Excused Absences: Moved that the absence of Jon Genoways be excused passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Amanda Schrum.

Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws

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

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

PRESENTATION-American Heart Association: Jill Wooster from the American Heart Association was here to let us know how Fort Calhoun participates in their programs and that Tessa Rutlege is wonderful. Our participation is one of the best of the 30 counties she handles. They are not only a resource for heart health, they also concentrate on physical and emotional learning which is more than just health and wellness and is very important as this is the first generation of kids with a life expectancy less than their parents. She presented a certificate of appreciation for Tessa and the school as she inspires kids to be good stewards.

REGULAR AGENDA

Public Participation: No one asked to address the board.

Approval of Claims: Moved that the bills for August be approved in the amount of \$1,256,270.28 from the General Fund, \$35,850.88 from the Building Fund and \$13,649.00 from Savings & Depreciation passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner.

Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. The amount is higher because of the transfers to S&D for carryover to 2019-20.

Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda includes: Approval of the July Minutes and Board Retreat Minutes, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, Approval of the Control Budget, Approval of the July Food Service Reports, Approval of the Transportation Report, Approval of the Receipts Report. The July Transportation Report is also attached. 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, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

Standing Committee Reports: The Finance Committee met and discussed the depreciation schedule, preliminary budget numbers, the significant increase in salary and benefits and operations. There is also an anticipated increase in revenue mostly due to option students. A scenario for the levy was presented based on estimated valuations. The committee also discussed bids for repairing and upgrading the track, meeting with the City regarding the Community Building and naming an ad hoc committee to oversee this, and an increase

in classified staff wages in order to retain and hire new staff and be more competitive in the workplace. The valuation figures should be available for the final meeting of 2018-19 fiscal year. Dr. Johnson and Mr. Wemhoff visited several schools who had used the companies who bid to get a feel for their workmanship, customer service and warranties.

Ad Hoc Committee to Study Community Building/Washington Square Property: Tabled until the next meeting.

Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Fort Calhoun: Moved that the Board of Education adopt the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Fort Calhoun for the Community Building/Market Square properties with the correction of the address listed in the 3rd paragraph passed with a motion by Amanda Schrum and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. The administration had a preliminary meeting with the city to talk about this and look into it so both parties are on board with what is happening. An Ad Hoc committee will be formed for one year to study this with the option to reup it after that.

Adopt Board Goals for 2019-20: Moved that the board goals be accepted as presented and discussed passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Mike Bonacci. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. The goals are:
-Explore alternate ways to achieve the goal of making the Elementary into a three-section building within the available four-year window, as well as addressing the need for additional recreational space for site.
-The Administration will develop the job description for the SRO/Safety position and implement it for the 2019-20 school year.
-Will research and develop a comprehensive system for tracking student assignments across the multiple medias used in the District during the 2019-20 fiscal year.

Resolution for a Line of Credit with Washington County Bank: Moved that the resolution to approve a line of credit with Washington County Bank be approved in the amount of \$450,000 for a one-year period passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This is a safety net in case of a cash flow deficit. We have never used it in at least 10 years and is in case the tax dollars come in late or under expenditures. We're in a good place not to use it again. The amount has been \$450,000 for quite a while.

5052 - School Wellness Policy: Moved that the Board of Education waive 1st Reading and accept on second reading Policy 5052-School Wellness Policy passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. The policy hasn't changed but for our nutrition program it needs to be reviewed periodically.

Hiring of Part Time Elementary Music Teacher: Moved that the Board of Education offer a contract of employment to Molly Burbach as a part time Music teacher at the elementary school passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. She has taught in another district and wants to be closer to this area. She will also be a half time para and we are excited to have her come.

Interlocal Agreement for Occupational Therapist: Moved that the Board of Education enter into an interlocal agreement with the school districts of Blair and Arlington Schools for a Occupational Therapist passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. Ashley Dougherty explained that by cooping with other schools we will get more time and save money as opposed to the company we had used in the past. This will also increase the quality of services we can give the kids as opposed to the other

company as we will set up the program.

Para Educator Wage Adjustments: Moved that the para educator wages be adjusted according to the schedule as recommended and discussed passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. Dr. Johnson said hopefully we can keep good people with this new schedule. The new amounts will pertain to everyone.

Fuel Bids: Moved that the bid of Calhoun Oil be approved for "off road" diesel fuel for school purposes for 2019-20 be accepted at 3¢ off the pump price, and that the bid of Taylor Oil be approved for gasoline for school purposes for 2019-20 at 3¢ off the pump price passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2 Passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Amanda Schrum. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. We send out the bids every year to the two local stations.

Boyd Jones Retainer Payment: Moved that the Board of Education accept as final and release the retained payment to Boyd Jones in the amount of \$21,240.33 and to BVH in the amount of \$14,610.55 from the Building Fund passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Mike Bonacci. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. The decision to pay is because they have done their due diligence to help and it would cost more in litigation than the balance due. They still don't know exactly what is causing the noise, but there was a lot of modifications to get us to a better point.

Track Resurfacing: Moved that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the administration and award the bid of Pro Track & Tennis to resurface the track in the amount not exceed \$80,000 Passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Mike Bonacci. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This company is the best and most recommended of the three and the quote states not to exceed \$80,000.00. It will warranty all damage they fix that they have seen so far but would not include any damage that may happen in the future. They will remove the damage, repair the sections, reseal it and then paint the whole track. There is a 5 year warranty on their work only and it can be done within a two week window so will be done this Fall. Part of the track replacement money has been put aside already in the replacement schedule and will continue to be done in the future. DC West said they even came back to do repairs after the Spring floods. One of the big selling points is they will seal it all the way down to the concrete base to keep water from seeping under it.

Depreciation Schedule and Purchases: Moved that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the administration and adopt the procedures for expenditures from the Savings and Depreciation Fund passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. There could be more at the next meeting but these are for sure now.

2019-20 Budget Workshop: Moved that the board of education meet at 7:00 PM on August 26th to conduct our budget work meeting and continuation of the Regular August meeting passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This gives us time to get our valuations and get the budget together.

Board Member Reports: Amanda Schrum said everyone is ready for school to start. Kelli Shaner commented on Karen Haase's presentation had really good information and it reminds teachers of some very specific things including new laws.

Administrator Reports: Mr. Green—Reported on 7th Grade Orientation, staff CPR training, the numbers of new

students and those transferring; state testing scores to be released in mid October, and the state now giving 3 dates for schools to administer the ACT to juniors. He also called attention to the 1st day schedule and how it helps students get familiarized with our programs and directives.

Mr. Wagner—Reported on Welcome Back Night, new elementary staff, reminders about the pick-up and drop off areas at the elementary school, an update on the newly-adopted Positive Behavior Intervention Support program; elementary goals for this year, upcoming events and having and sharing with staff the plan for AdvancEd moving forward this year.

Mr. Wemhoff—Spoke about the year-round weight room program and cross training; Administrator Days; Taylor Quik Pik has designated one of their pumps in Fort Calhoun where the Booster Club will received funds for each gallon pumped; the upcoming Fall Sports Kickoff and meal; and upcoming events.

Superintendent Report: Dr. Johnson reported that the last of the 18-19 goals regarding mental health will be carried over to 2019-20 with the rest completed. He gave updates on the summer projects, Administrator Days, a Mental Health conference he attended, new teacher orientation and para training, the upcoming NASB Area Membership meeting, and upcoming events.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Enter into Executive Session: Moved to go to Executive Session at 8:08PM passed with a motion by Amanda Schrum and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

Reconvene in Open Session: Moved to reconvene in Open Session at 8:27 PM passed with a motion by Bonacci and seconded by Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Genoways: Absent, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. This gives us times to get our valuations and get the budget together.

RECESS

There being no further business, the meeting was recessed at 8:28 PM until August 26, 2019.