

Nottawa Community School

Board Meeting

July 11, 2022 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Minutes

“Building Better Futures for Children and Communities”

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Rosenbaum.

Members Present: Brandon, Borkholder, Hochstetler, Rosenbaum

Members Absent: Danberry. *Whereas Danberry has retired from the St. Joseph County ISD she is not allowed to participate in or be a part of board of education meetings, nor is she allowed on school property(ies) for a period of 30 calendar days. This is per ORS.

II. Introduction of guests:

Secretary Borkholder introduced 7th grade homeroom and 7/8th Math and Science teacher Bud Krawczak.

Bud explained that he was attending as teacher representation on behalf of NEA member Amy Albrecht who could not be present due to a schedule conflict. Appreciation was expressed for Mr. Krawczak's attendance.

III. Correspondence:

No correspondence at this time.

IV. Presentations if any:

No presentations at this time.

V. Consent Agenda

All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless there is a request from a board member to remove an individual agenda item (or items) from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and possibly voted upon separately. All agenda items pulled from the Consent Agenda will be placed under Action Items.

A. Approval of Minutes for June 29 Special Board of Education Meeting

B. Approval of Financial Report.

C. Approval of [Monthly Board Bills](#): in the amount of \$40,317.76 through June 30, 2022.

Motion by Brandon, support by Rosenbaum to approve the consent agenda. Motion Carried 4-0.

VI. Action items

A. Appoint Board Officers

At the first meeting (organizational meeting) of the school 2022 - 2023 school year policy indicates that it is time for the board to appoint/vote for officers. After discussion the group reached a consensus vote that they are satisfied with their present roles and expressed a desire to continue. Motion by Brandon, support by Rosenbaum to keep officers the same as they currently are: Ron Rosenbaum- president, Audrey Borkholder- secretary, Theresa Danberry- treasurer, John Hochstetler- trustee, Adam Brandon- trustee. Motion Carried 4-0.

B. Second Read of Policy 6423

Mr. Wolff gave the second reading of Policy 6423 and highlighted points of interest discussed in the previous board meeting. Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Brandon to approve the second read of policy 6423. Motion carried.

C. Vehicle Quotes

Mr. Wolff provided an update on the vehicle search process for vehicle purchases approved within ESSER II. Mr. Wolff has reached out to four local dealers, with only three responding. Supply and selection is limited. Mr. Wolff asked for other dealers. Rosenbaum recommended contacting Harold Zeigler of Kalamazoo. Mrs. Wonders will be test driving two vehicles from Carmart in Schoolcraft on July 13th and likely more in the coming days.

D. Sidewalks

1. repair around building

Hochstetler presented progress on the volunteer project, reporting that he had found a community member interested in taking all 280 feet of concrete sidewalk from around the multipurpose room and east side of school building. Hochstetler and several other community members will assist in removal.

2. extending around east corner of parking lot

Mr. Wolff presented the responses from local contractors for extending the sidewalk around the north side of the lot in front of the school and along the far east end of the parking lot. Many contractors are unable to meet our time requirement. Christner Borkholder Concrete gave the lone offer to complete the work. The board discussed design modifications to the placement of the sidewalk related to drainage, appearance and future parking lot improvements. Motion by Hochstetler, support by Rosenbaum to accept the Christner Borkholder Concrete proposal for sidewalk work in the amount of \$6965 with trustees Hochstetler and Brandon to finalize layout details with the contractor. Motion Carried 4-0.

E. New Paraprofessional Hires

1. Racheal Miller

2. Emily Wingard

Mr. Wolff presented the board with two paraprofessionals recommended for hire. Ms. Miller is a graduate of Nottawa Community School with an interest in becoming a teacher, and Mrs. Wingard is school volunteer/parent who has previously substituted as a paraprofessional for the district. Motion Borkholder, support by Hochstetler to hire Rachel Miller and Emily Wingard as paraprofessionals. Motion Carried 4-0.

VII. Information items

A. Progress on building project

Mr. Wolff provided an update on project. He will also work to send a newsletter with pictures to families updating them on the progress of the project(s).

B. Enrollment Projection 163. This is a **very** soft number meaning that it is likely to change.

Mr. Wolff shared an update on enrollment. These are soft numbers, however planning to accommodate lunch set-up is already underway.

C. Legal Update

Mr. Wolff shared an update from THRUN.

VIII. Other

IX. Adjourn

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM Motion Carried 4-0.

VISION

“Nottawa Community School will encourage the involvement of parents and community to embrace a shared purpose in the education of our students to become problem solving, responsible, and contributing members of society.”