Nottawa Community School

Board Meeting May 9, 2022 ~ 7:00 P.M. Minutes

"Building Better Futures for Children and Communities"

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by President Rosenbaum. Members Present: Brandon, Danberry, Hochstetler, Rosenbaum

II. Introduction of guests:

Mr. Wolff introduced 3rd grade teacher Stacey Miller. The board thanked Mrs. Miller for her faithful service to the district.

III. Correspondence:

Mr. Wolff read the award letter from MSP School Safety Grant Program and highlighted that among 336 applications Nottawa was one of 150 schools selected to receive this grant and was awared \$50,000 for security improvements.

IV. Presentations if any:

President Rosenbaum advanced the agenda to the ISD budget resolution.

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 April 11, Board of Education Meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Report.
- C. Approval of Monthly Board Bills: in the amount of \$17,853.18 through April 29, 2022.

Motion by Danberry, support by Brandon to approve the consent agenda. Motion Carried 5-0.

VI. Public Comments

VII. Action items

A. ISD Budget Presentation and Resolution

1. Associated Documents

Mr. Wolff presented 18 points of interest about the ISD proposed budget for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to support the proposed ISD budget for the 2022-2023 school year. Danberry abstained from the vote because she is employed by the ISD. Motion Carried 4-1-0.

B. MASB Resolution on redirecting public school funds

Motion by Danberry, support by Rosenbaum to approve the resolution opposing the Let MI Kids Learn voucher initiatives. Motion Carried 5-0.

C. Hourly Wage Presentation

Theresa Danberry and Ron Rosenbaum presented the costs for wage increases for hourly workers. Mr. Wolff answered questions about the option presented.

Motion by Hochstetler, support by Brandon to approve the hourly wage increases presented for hourly employees along with single employee benefits for dental/vision.

D. Set Seg playground request options

Discussion about playground needs.

E. SAVVAS Updates for Reading Curriculum. (Affirm ESSER III Purchase)

The board gave consent to move forward with the curriculum update.

F. Sidewalk repair around gym

Mr. Wolff was directed to gather estimates for the removal of sidewalk around the gym as well as quotes to fill the sidewalk area with earth or pea-gravel. Additionally, Mr. Wolff was directed to gather quotes to extend the sidewalk around the east corner of the parking lot.

- G. ESSER II Vehicle Delays and options
 - 1. Stick with plan for 10 passenger van
 - 2. Two used 7 passenger minivans
 - 3. One used 8 passenger Suburban

The board gave direction to seek the advice of mechanic Andy King about options 2 and 3 for consideration for vehicle purchase with the most reliable engine and transmission combinations.

VIII. Information items

A. Board Members as School Employees According to IRS

Mr. Wolff will reach out to district CFO Karen Bojanich and MASB legal counsel concerning the IRS directive to recognize school board members as district employees.

B. State Testing Update

Mr. Wolff noted that preliminary embargoed scores were available and that he was monitoring year to year student growth.

C. Kindergarten Round Update

Mr. Wolff reported early enrollment numbers

D. Collective Bargaining Subcommittee Progress Report

The collective bargaining subcommittee hopes to meet with the NEA in the next month to hear proposals for the 2022-2023 school year collective bargaining agreement.

E. Update on building projects

- 1. Summer Project(s)
- 2. Landscaping Project
- 3. Greenhouse Project
- 4. MSP Project
- 5. Entryway and Vestibule Improvements
- 6. Summer Construction Timeline
- F. Enrollment 155
- G. Clearing Building for Summer Construction
- H. Legal Update (THRUN)

IX. Other

X. Adjourn

Motion by Hochstetler, support by Rosenbaum to adjourn meeting at 8:55 PM. Motion Carried 5-0.

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."