

Nottawa Community School

Board Meeting

October 14, 2024 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Minutes

“Building Better Futures for Children and Communities”

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by President Rosenbaum.

Members Present: Borkholder, Brandon, Danberry, Hochstetler, Rosenbaum

A. Required Reading of PA213.

II. Introduction of guests:

The board recognized Mrs. Joanie Schram. Mrs. Schram serves as our second grade teacher. She is also the coordinator of the teacher social group.

III. Correspondence:

Mr. Wolff read an email correspondence from Mindy Hulse updating the board on the total cost of the sidewalk project.

IV. Presentations if any:

An information board was on display in the room highlighting the proposed preschool playground project.

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 September 9 and September 30th Board of Education Meetings

B. Approval of Financial Report.

C. Approval of Monthly Board Bills: in the amount of \$24,502.70 through September 30, 2024.

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

VI. Action items

A. Fall Policy Update: First Reading

The board reviewed the first reading of EDGAR/UGG policy updates.

Motion by Danberry, support by Rosenbaum to approve the first reading of the EDGAR/UGG policy revisions in fall update 39.1. Motion Carried 5-0.

B. CHRI Policy Update: Second Reading

The board read through the September fall policy revisions for the Fall 39.1. Included in this packet is NEOLA's version of the CHRI policy. This will be the first reading of all these policies and the NEOLA version of the CHRI policy is intended to supersede the CHRI draft policy which was presented in the September 9th Board of Education Meeting.

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Danberry to approve the second reading of the September Fall Policy Update 39.1. Motion Carried 5-0.

C. Presentation of Quotes for Modular Project

1. Consumers

Mr. Wolff read an email correspondence which provided a projected range of cost from Consumers Electric noting the factors that will be considered prior to providing a final price.

2. Electric

Per the Special Board Meeting held September 30th, CT Electric provided a price for alternate work as requested. The tentative agreement is add the installation of an H-frame and installation two 1 phase 150 amp service disconnects, with disconnects being provided by owner.

Motion by Hochstetler, support by Rosenbaum to accept the CT Electric bid of an additional \$1800 for Nottawa School Modular Revision A to include (2) 1 phase 240 volt 150 amp service disconnect, fuses included. Motion Carried 5-0.

3. Septic/Excavation

Discussion was held regarding septic and excavation quotes. It was recommended that we needed information about piers and concrete work before coming to a decision.

4. General Contractor for stairs and landings.

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to accept the Borkholder Vinyl quote for stairs and landing for the Nottawa School modular in the amount of \$22,857. Motion Carried 5-0.

5. Concrete

A thorough discussion took place regarding the difficulty in finding a contractor to pour the piers as designed. It was noted that the piers greatly superseded building code as they appear to be designed for a site built structure rather than a modular. CMA Dan Darnell will look into options to provide an alternate architectural drawing and contact inspector and/or BCC to review all allowable options.

6. Plumbing

One Way Plumbing is the lone contractor to express interest in the modular project, however the owner will provide a quote at a time later in the week as he was out of town last week to assist with hurricane relief.

D. PreSchool Early Elementary Playground: First Installment

In order to reserve the proposed playground equipment and guarantee the matching grant dollars it was recommended to approve the state approved pre bid proposal for the preschool playground and to make the installment payment of \$24,167.91 of the \$38,612.31 total for the playground equipment.

Motion by Danberry, support by Hochstetler to accept the the GameTime playground proposal as presented. Motion Carried 5-0.

E. Teacher Tenure

Mr. Wolff presented two letters of recommendation to approve Faith Hopper and Jill Pagels for teacher tenure.

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Borkholder to accept the recommendation and approve tenure for Faith Hopper and Jill Pagels. Motion Carried 5-0.

F. Retroactive approval for conference room reservation.

Mr. Wolff explained the complications with reserving a room within the approved rate stated within policy, specifically that the rate listed was too low to cover the costs of even the most modest room. The board directed Mr. Wolff to look into a policy or procedural revision to adequately cover room costs associated with attending conferences and/or workshops on behalf of the district.

G. Bus Driver Wage Review Request

Mr. Wolff shared a wage review request from bus drivers who are asking about moving to a single rate of pay. Questions about this were raised by multiple board members. Treasurer Danberry will gather information about the request, cost impact should there be a change made, and research how bus drivers are presently compensated.

Motion by Borkholder, support by Rosenbaum to approve the room and board expenses for Jerome for the MASA Conference held September 18-20, 2024.

Motion by Danberry, support by Rosenbaum to table bus driver wage review. Motion Carried 5-0.

VII. Information items

A. Update: School Board Association Meeting: October 1st

B. Pancake Breakfast; Saturday September 28th

C. Progress on facility projects

- a) Bus Garage drainage
- b) Status of Sidewalk Project
- c) Clean Drinking Water
- d) Roof: Update

D. Legal Update(s)

VIII. Other

IX. Adjourn

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Borkholder to adjourn at 9:33 PM. Motion Carried 5-0.

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“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.”