

Minutes of the December 11, 2017 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Kallweit with members: Kallweit, Beller, Huettner, Zach, Meyer, Tasa, Brandl, and Classen. Excused absence for Preister

Open meetings act is posted in the Music Room 107.

The meeting was legally advertised for public notice in the Humphrey Democrat.

The minutes from the November 13, 2017 board meeting were reviewed. The minutes will stand as written.

Superintendent Sjuts reviewed the November Financial report.

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Tasa to approve the December general fund bills and claims as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Preister, ABSENT; Meyer, YES; Huettner, YES; Zach, YES; Tasa, YES; Brandl, YES; Beller, YES; and Classen, YES.
Motion Carried. 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Ron Krings, Head Maintenance/Custodian gave his report. We need to replace the lighting in Mrs. Whited's room at a cost of \$2,537.38. Ron would like to add a new drinking fountain in a locker room. This could happen over Christmas break. All other locker rooms have them to fill water bottles.

Brice King, PK-12 Principal gave his report. Mr. King has contacted the ESU for the help with a climate survey to be given to staff, students, and parents for our external visit next year. The elementary staff have compared the English Language Arts curriculum materials and like the Wonders curriculum. We will be looking at scheduling some time at the end of the year to develop materials that assist and support the new curriculum. The new website has been turned over to Mrs. Luedtke and Mrs. King. Mr. Sjuts, Mrs. King, Mrs. Luedtke, and Mr. King all have been working together this week. We had 110 honor students present with 60 guests in attendance for the 2nd quarter honors breakfast. This year's Principal conference was held in Lincoln. Mr. King attended sessions pertaining to law updates, MTSS framework, and three sessions on building positive cultures and recognizing students on their success. We now have full access to NeSA scores. Mr. King will go over some data pieces with the board during the January meeting.

Greg Sjuts, Superintendent gave his report. Mr. Sjuts handed out filing forms to the 5 School Board Members who are up for re-election, they are Alan Huettner, Julie Preister, Kevin Kallweit, Sandy Classen and Ron Zach. The filing period for the Incumbents is Dec. 1, 2017 to February 15, 2018. The Primary election is May 15, 2018 and the General election is Nov. 6, 2018. Mr. Sjuts asked the school board for their approval to advertise for a part-time (5/8 FTE) to possibly full-time Special Education teacher. We have added Mrs. Korth for two additional hours per day which makes her full-time which has really helped but we believe it would be beneficial to look for another person and be proactive in case we add any students in Special Education during the second semester. This would also help to bring the caseload of individuals for each SPED teacher back to where we used to be at the beginning of the year. The board granted their approval for Mr. Sjuts and Mr. King to advertise and interview candidates and see if there are people interested. Mr. Sjuts also discussed the Nebraskans United for Property Tax Reform & Education, this is a group of organizations and school districts who are working together to bring property tax reform to NE without hurting public education. School districts are being asked to pass this resolution, Mr. Sjuts asked if the board was interested in doing this, one concern expressed is we don't want to get caught up in the politics of this issue, the board members were going to read it over carefully and bring their questions to the January meeting. Mr. Sjuts also shared and discussed the ESU #7 Coordinating Council Cooperative Purchasing Program savings to the district.

Preister arrived at 6:22 p.m.

Information from the School Improvement Committee meeting that was held on November 15, was discussed by Mr. Sjuts and Mr. King with the Board.

It was moved by Preister and seconded by Tasa to adopt the 2018-2019 Negotiated Agreement as presented by the Negotiations Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Preister, YES; Meyer, YES; Huettner, YES; Zach, YES; Tasa, YES; Brandl, YES; Beller, YES; and Classen, YES. Motion Carried. 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Zach and seconded by Brandl to approve the Annual Safety Review as required in Rule 10 by Tony Miller. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Preister, YES; Meyer, YES; Huettner, YES; Zach, YES; Tasa, YES; Brandl, YES; Beller, YES; and Classen, YES. Motion Carried. 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Beller to approve the Local Substitute Teaching Certificate request for Cindy Reichmuth. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Preister, YES; Meyer, YES; Huettner, YES; Zach, YES; Tasa, YES; Brandl, YES; Beller, YES; and Classen, YES. Motion Carried. 9 YES 0 NO

There was discussion on the size of parking spaces on the east side of school. The visiting buses are parking and taking up spaces at school. Thinking of having these buses park at the community center.

The next regular school board meeting is Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Tasa to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Preister, YES; Meyer, YES; Huettner, YES; Zach, YES; Tasa, YES; Brandl, YES; Beller, YES; and Classen, YES. Motion Carried. 9 YES 0 NO

Julie Preister, Board Secretary