

Minutes of the January 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kallweit with members: Kallweit, Zach, Preister, Meyer, Huettner, Tasa, Beller, and Baumgart. Excused absence for Brandl.

Open meetings act is posted in the Humphrey Public School Music room #107

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

Visitor present were Patrick Murphy, and two school board members that will begin their terms tonight after old business, Aaron Korth, and Paul Schemek.

The minutes from the December 14, 2020 board meeting were reviewed. A correction was made to the minutes that the Vice President Ron Zach called the meeting to order instead of Kevin Kallweit. The minutes will stand as corrected.

The December Financial report was reviewed by the Board.

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

Ron Krings, Head Maintenance/Custodial gave his report. The generator is not finished because they didn't receive the parts, and the contractor was short on help. Half of the lights have been installed. The lights were on back order and have arrived.

Brice King, Principal gave his report. We have five girls and five boys out for high school bowling. They have competed in six meets and have improved each meet. District have been released, but a host site has not been determined. Humphrey-LHF will host the East Husker Conference basketball tournament this year. Depending on the seedings, the first two rounds are hosted at various school sites. The semi-finals and finals will be hosted at Midland University in Fremont. We are working on details regarding protocols and will have a plan in place if the DHM changes during the tournament. Mrs. Graham will have a student teacher with her this semester. Ms. Krystin Oborny is currently attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and will be graduating in May. Next Wednesday, January 20, will be our next school improvement meeting. School will be dismissed at 1:00 for the teacher in-service. The Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) is pleased to announce the student recipients of the Fall 2019-2020 Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Association (NCPA) Academic All-State Awards. Since 2006 this award Program has recognized students who meet the criteria for nomination by their school in the season of their activity. Receiving these awards for Humphrey Public include:

- Girls Cross-Country – Allison Durkop
- Football – Jacob Sjuts, Jason Sjuts
- Play Production – Oriana Kuehler, Carson Schnitzler
- Volleyball – Autumn Bender, Addison Schneider

Greg Sjuts, Superintendent gave his report. This will be the last school board meeting for both Doug Beller and Barry Tasa. They will step down at the conclusion of our old business tonight. I want to personally and professionally thank them both for their time, commitment to providing a quality education for our students, and service to Humphrey Public School District #67. Mr. Sjuts has plaques to present to them. On Monday, January 11, John Weidner, Superintendent from Twin River and Mr. Sjuts discussed cooping softball next year with Lindsay Holy Family and to hopefully determine a timeline. Mr. Weidner sent an invite to Fullerton who declined to join the cooperative. Twin River knows that Humphrey-Lindsay Holy Family is very interested in cooping softball with Twin River. Mr. Weidner will discuss this with his school board, the softball parents, and their softball coach Renae Van Driel to make sure they understand and we will most likely have a proposal to discuss and vote on at the February or March school board meeting. The new DHM went into effect going to 50% for indoor activities. Mr. Sjuts sent out our updated COVID-19 protocols via the Connect 5 related to winter activities. We are continuing to work with EMC, our insurance company, on a claim. The repairs for the emergency generator panel and to re-program the system in the mechanical room on the second floor have not yet been completed. In the upcoming 2021 Legislative session, we have 49 senators and many of our state's lawmakers have four or less years of experience in the Unicameral. The 107th Legislative Session convened on Wednesday, January 6 for a 90-Day session. Legislators are expected to tackle additional Property tax proposals, COVID impacts to state revenue and budgets,

the proposed new prison, re-districting, and the Governors priority on school spending caps. Our Senator for District 22 is Mike Moser from Columbus, Mr. Sjuts will keep the Board posted on legislation that impacts our district. Lynne Walz was selected as Chair of the Education Committee in place of Senator Mike Groene. There was no school improvement update as there was no in-service during the month of December. The next scheduled date for school improvement is Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

At this point, the new members (Paul Schemek and Aaron Korth) took their place on the school board by taking their oath of office and signing the Oath of Office form. Paul Schemek and Aaron Korth completed their oaths and are officially school board members and welcomed by Supt. Sjuts and the other board members.

President Kallweit turned the meeting over to Superintendent Sjuts for the 2021 school board reorganization and election of officers. The members elected will serve for one year.

Kevin Kallweit was nominated for President by Meyer. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Zach to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Kevin Kallweit as the 2021 Board President, seconded by Schemek. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, ABSTAIN; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 7 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT

Mr. Sjuts turned the meeting back over to President Kallweit who continued with the election for Vice-President. Ron Zach was nominated for Vice-President by Baumgart. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Meyer to cease nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot for Ron Zach as the 2021 Board Vice-President, seconded by Korth. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, ABSTAIN; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 7 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT

Julia Preister was nominated for Secretary by Baumgart. There were no other nominations made. It was moved by Meyer to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Julia Preister as the 2021 Board Secretary, seconded by Kallweit. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, ABSTAIN. Motion Carried 7 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT

Tim Meyer was nominated for Treasurer by Schemek. There were no other nominations made. It was moved by Baumgart to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tim Meyer as the 2021 Board Treasurer, seconded by Huettner. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, ABSTAIN; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 7 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN 1 ABSENT

The Humphrey Democrat was designated as the official newspaper.

Bank of the Valley in Humphrey was designated as the bank depository.

Rex Schultze and Justin Knight from Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessford Law Firm was designated as the District's attorney.

President Kallweit appointed the board members to the following committees for 2021:

Negotiations:

Kallweit
Preister
Zach

Transportation/Facilities:

Schemek
Brandl
Huettner

School Improvement/Curriculum, Committee on American Civics (Americanism) and Staff Relations:

Meyer
Baumgart
Preister

Budget /Policy

Meyer
Korth

Safety and Wellness:
All School Board Members

Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family Joint Cooperative:
Preister
Brandl
Korth

Superintendent Sjuts was authorized to act on behalf of the Board of Education of Humphrey Public Schools when making applications and requesting reimbursement of all State and Federal Programs.

It was moved by Baumgart and seconded by Preister to approve the February 2021 Bond Fund interest payment as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES.
Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Baumgart to approve the 2019-2020 Annual Report according to Policy #1040 as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES.
Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved Zach and seconded by Korth to approve the request from Mrs. Alexandra Goering to have (6) six semester credit hours approved for future advancement of the salary schedule as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Baumgart and seconded by Huettner approve the resignation from Mrs. Bailey Bender who is our 3rd Grade Teacher as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES.
Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

The Board would like to thank Mrs. Bailey Bender for her two years of service to Humphrey Public School.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Schemek to go into closed session of the board at 8:36 p.m. for the purposes of discussing personnel, certified staff salaries, and negotiation updates for 2021-2022. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Zach and seconded by Baumgart to come out of closed session at 8:55 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Huettner to approve the contract for Mr. Sjuts for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years as the Superintendent is on a 2-year rollover contract as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Action item #7, consider and take action to adopt the 2021-2022 Negotiated Agreement as presented by the Negotiations Committee died for the lack of a motion.

The next regular school board meeting is Monday, February 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Korth to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSENT; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Julie Preister, Board Secretary