

Minutes of the January 10, 2022 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kallweit with members: Kallweit, Zach, Preister, Meyer, Schemek, Huettner, Brandl, Korth, and Baumgart.

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 was Patrick Murphy with the Humphrey Democrat.

The minutes from the December 13, 2021 board meeting were reviewed. The minutes will stand as written.

The December Financial report was reviewed by the Board.

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Schemek 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; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES.
Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

Ron Krings, Head Maintenance/Custodial gave his report. Gym lights are installed. The new lights will be able to dim when needed. For the track season, Ron would like to purchase lightweight pallets to put the high jump and pole vault pads on as well as to store equipment on in the storage shed. The wooden pallets that we are currently using are rotting away.

Brice King, PK-6 Principal gave his report. Our INSIGHTS program in Kindergarten will be starting on Tuesday, January 18, and will continue every Tuesday for 10 weeks. A facilitator will be coming from UNL to co-teach the 30-minute lesson with Mrs. Goering. Our Winter Pilot is almost complete. We have one group that is testing this week. Mr. Kirby and Mr. King are reviewing the data and plan to have staff review the data for instructional decisions at our February in-service. Humphrey Public was selected by the ESU to participate in a Mental Health grant opportunity. This is training and support being offered by the ESU7 LMHP team. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, February 7, from 1:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. There will be no school for students on Monday, February 7, and Friday, February 11, for students. Our next curriculum day for elementary teachers is Friday, February 4. We will continue our work with Stanton Community Schools on our English/Language Arts curriculum updates.

Brandon Kirby, 7-12 Principal gave his report. Congratulations to the students who earned Academic All-State Honors:

- Football – Jacob and Jason Sjuts
- Play Production – Addison Schneider and Carson Schnitzler
- Volleyball – Alexis Hake and Paige Nolan.

On December 16, the 7th grade took the Math portion of the NSCAS with the 8th grade taking the ELA portion. Scores are in, and we are currently in the process of analyzing the scores. Ms. Broman has been hard at work with the backpack program. Jr. High Academic contest in Palmer will be on Wednesday, January 12. The National Honor Society will have their induction ceremony on January 24, at 7:00 p.m. FFA state degree night will be held on February 2. Parent/Teacher Convention will be held on Monday, February 7. The 8th grade will participate in the NAEP (Math and Reading) test on February 15. Mr. Kirby will be participating in the Region 3 Principals meeting in Norfolk on January 19, and a principal cluster meeting to be held on January 20. January is a month full of just about everything with Bowling, Speech, and Basketball in full swing.

Greg Sjuts, Superintendent gave his report. In an email with Father Olson, he told Mr. Sjuts there is nothing new to report. Father's meeting with the Pastoral Planning chair for the Archdiocese and the Superintendent of Catholic Schools scheduled for December was postponed to January 15, because of the wind. Mr. Sjuts did ask him that we are very interested in the Cross Country cooperative continuing with LHF and don't want to wait too long. Reminder that we have 5 Board members who are up for re-election. They are: Alan Huettner, Julia Preister, Kevin Kallweit, Jenny Baumgart, and Ron Zach. The 107th Legislative Session convened on Wednesday, January 5, for a 60-day short session. Legislators are expected to tackle additional property tax proposals, COVID impacts to state revenue and budgets, the proposed new prison, the Governors priority on school spending caps to name a few. Our Senator for District 22 is Mike Moser from Columbus. Mr. Sjuts will keep the board posted on legislation that

impacts our district. Mr. Sjuts asked the Board if one or two members would be interested in sitting in on the interviews for the Grades PK-6 Principal position. Mike Brandl and Jenny Baumgart volunteered. Mr. Sjuts received an email from June Wendt, Humphrey City Clerk: The city of Humphrey passed a resolution on December 20, to put a 4-way stop at the intersection of 8th Street and County Road. The County has to also approve the 4-way stop and at this point, the County is not in favor of it. Mr. Sjuts will draft a letter that the board approves the 4-way stop and asked Mr. Sjuts to draft a letter on behalf of the school board and administration stating our support for the 4-way stop for safety reasons. The Nebraska Dept. of Motor Vehicles will begin enforcing a new federal rule beginning February 7, 2022 that establishes new requirements for commercial driver's license (CDL) applicants & training providers. The new rule from the FMCSA will require drivers seeking their first CDL to receive the federally approved entry level training. This training also applies to bus drivers training this is not good for school districts because there is already a school bus driver who already are short of drivers.

There was no school improvement update as there was no in-service during the month of December. The next scheduled date for a school improvement meeting is Friday February 4, and Monday February 7, 2022.

President Kallweit turned the meeting over to Superintendent Sjuts for the 2022 school board reorganization and election of officers. The members elected will serve for one year.

Kevin Kallweit was nominated for President by Zach. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Baumgart to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Kevin Kallweit as the 2022 Board President, seconded by Meyer. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, ABSTAIN; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN

Mr. Sjuts turned the meeting back over to President Kallweit who continued with the election for Vice-President. Tim Meyer nominated Ron Zach for Vice-President. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Schemek to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Ron Zach as the 2022 Board Vice-President, seconded by Huettner. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, ABSTAIN; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN

Julia Preister was nominated for Secretary by Baumgart. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Korth to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Julia Preister as the 2022 Board Secretary, seconded by Schemek. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, ABSTAIN. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN

Mike Brandl was nominated for Treasurer by Korth. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Preister to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mike Brandl as the 2022 Board Treasurer, seconded by Baumgart. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, ABSTAIN; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN

The Humphrey Democrat was designated as the official newspaper.

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

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

President Kallweit appointed the board member to the following committees for 2022:

Negotiations:

Kevin Kallweit
Julie Preister
Ron Zach

Transportation/Facilities:

Paul Schemek
Mike Brandl
Alan Huettner

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

Tim Meyer
Jenny Baumgart
Julie Preister

Budget/Policy:

Tim Meyer
Aaron Korth

Safety and Wellness:
All School Board Members

Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family Joint Cooperative:
Jule Preister
Mike Brandl
Aaron Korth

Pool Interlocal Agreement Representatives (Non-voting):
Tim Meyer
Kevin Kallweit

Superintendent Sjuts and beginning July 1, 2022 Superintendent King were 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 Brandl to approve the February 2022 Bond Fund interest payment as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Preister and seconded by Schemek to approve the 2020-2021 Annual Report according to Policy #1040 as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Huettner to approve the Local Substitute Teaching Certificate request for Laura Wiese as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Korth and seconded by Brandl to approve the review of policy #2230-Evaluations of Principals, regulation #2231-Superintendent Evaluation Instrument and #2232-Principal Evaluation & Appraisal. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Zach to go into closed session of the board at 8:08 p.m. for the purposes of discussing personnel, real estate purchase, and Principal salaries for 2022-2023. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Baumgart and seconded by Zach to come out of closed session at 9:13 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

It was moved by Brandl and seconded by Kallweit to approve the salary for Mr. Kirby for the 2022-2023 school year which is a 3 ½% increase. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

District #67 has been looking at possibly purchasing some property that has become available for the expansion in the future for a fine arts and gymnasium complex for our kids.

The next regular school board meeting is Monday, February 14, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Baumgart to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Schemek, YES; Huettner, YES; Brandl, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES. Motion Carried 9 YES 0 NO

Julie Preister, Board Secretary