

Minutes of the October 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m. by President Kallweit with members: Kallweit, Huettner, Schemek, Zach, Brandl, Korth, Baumgart, and Preister. Excused absence for Meyer.

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.

Visitors present were Patrick Murphy with the Humphrey Democrat, and Allie Goering.

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

The September Financial report was reviewed by the Board.

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

Ron Krings, Head Maintenance/Custodial gave his report. Ron discussed putting in LED lighting in the gym. After the rebate, the cost would be \$4,899.02. Estimated to last 24 years with a 5-year warranty. This will be completed over the moratorium period in December.

Brice King, PK-6 Principal gave his report. On Thursday, September 20, 2021 we held our first Bulldog Rally for elementary students. This rally is designed to highlight student achievements. During the September rally, students were recognized for reading the MAP grade level goals, students testing 80% or above on their MAP tests, positive office referrals, AR points clubs, and typing awards from computers. Parent-teacher conferences were held on Monday, September 27 from 1:30-8:00. We had a great turnout and appreciate the participation and cooperation of our parents. Fall MAP testing is complete at the elementary level. At our September 27th in-service, staff reviewed their Marzano goals and did some self-reflection on their goal and if they were making progress. Staff also took time to complete the Social/Emotional Screener for students. The high school and elementary teachers then split. The elementary teachers discussed the Fall MAP testing schedule and how it went. Also discussed were changes to NSCAS testing, and reviewed the VoWAC curriculum. Our Social/Emotional Screener has been completed. Ronelle Jackson, Mental Health Therapist, and JoLynn Kahlandt, School Psych, are working through the screeners data. On Thursday, October 14, our elementary teachers, Mrs. Hogancamp, and Mrs. Bender, will be completing day #1 of the ELA curriculum with Stanton teachers. PK3 & PK4 students traveled to the Pumpkin Patch at the end of September for their field trip. Kindergarten will be traveling to the Pumpkin Patch at the end of October for their field trip. The 4th grade will be traveling to Columbus Ag Park for a presentation on Animals Inside & Out. The 5th & 6th grade received a presentation in the classroom from Cornhusker Power. The 5th grade will also have a presentation in the classroom on Tree Identification through the Extension Office. All grades K-6 attended the FFA Safety Academy sponsored by the Humphrey FFA program.

Brandon Kirby, 7-12 Principal gave his report. The fall MAPS testing has been completed. Parent/Teacher conferences were held on September 27 with an excellent turnout. The 11th & 12th grade students went to CCC for a college fair on September 28. There were around 30 different colleges/universities from the region at the show. On October 12, the 7 & 8 graders will participate in the Spalding Academy Academic contest. On October 13, the Junior class will take a P-ACT and the P-SAT test. The softball team finished their season this last week. The girls finished the year with a 14-18 record. The Cross-Country team will have districts on October 14, with state on the 22 of October. The football team will finish up the regular season on Friday, October 15, in Lindsay vs Cross County. Playoff brackets will be determined on October 16/17. The volleyball team plays in the EHC Tournament this coming Thursday and Saturday. Congratulations to Ms. Oelsigle who on September 28, earned her 100th career win as a head volleyball coach. Thank you to Mrs. Graham and the FFA students for their help and support for the local Feed-a-Farmer program.

Greg Sjuts, Superintendent gave his report. Mr. Sjuts set up a negotiations meeting for HEA and the Board negotiations committee. On Wednesday, October 6, Mr. Sjuts met with Kandee Hanzel, Bill Mimick, James Droescher, Andy Bishop, and Matt Bertrand, Chelsea Preister was unable to make the meeting. They met to discuss

football participation numbers for the next two years. Based on the projections, we would have 22 players in 2022, and 19 in 2023, so our recommendation is to go with 8-man football for the next 2-year cycle. This would keep us eligible for the state playoffs. Mr. Sjuts met with Father Olson in his office on Tuesday, September 21, at 11:00 a.m. to discuss the sports cooperative and specifically football due to the Nov. 1 cooperative deadline as well as cross country. On Friday, October 1, Father Olson gave Mr. Sjuts the go ahead for another two years for our football cooperative. This is good news for our HLHF cooperative. Also discussed was cross country in our meeting, but there was no decision from Father Olson and Mr. Sjuts will continue to discuss this sport with the hope to keep it as a HLHF activity. Cross country needs to be decided by June 2022. This is the year we purchase/trade in a school bus. The Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy's 2021 Clean Diesel Rebate Program is now accepting applications for three types of rebates. Diesel refuse truck replacements, school bus replacements, and agricultural irrigation pump diesel engine replacements. Applications must be submitted to NDEE by January 13, 2022 to be considered. The Board approved Mr. Sjuts to get some quotes on a new Bluebird bus and Thomas School bus. We would be trading in our 2009 school bus. NDEE anticipates awarding rebates for eight diesel or gasoline replacement buses and two propane replacement buses. Congratulations to Mrs. Graham and the Humphrey FFA Chapter as there was an article about them in the October 1, Midwest Messenger newspaper. Great job Mrs. Graham and the FFA Chapter/Students!!! Mr. Sjuts shared the 2021 Certified School Adjusted Valuation Report. There was very little difference between the Adjusted and Unadjusted Values this year. We received the computer rebate for \$17,640.00 and this money will be put back into the general fund.

We had our first School Improvement Committee meeting and in-service on Monday, September 27, from 7:45-12:00 noon. The information from the meeting was discussed with the board.

It was moved by Preister and seconded by Korth to approve the out-of-state travel and costs for the 2021 National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, October 27-October 30, 2021, at the reimbursement rate of \$250.00 per student and to pay for the Advisor Mrs. Graham's transportation, hotel and registration as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Huettner, YES, Schemek, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, ABSENT; Brandl, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; and Preister, YES.
Motion Carried. 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

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

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Baumgart to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kallweit, YES; Huettner, YES, Schemek, YES; Zach, YES; Meyer, ABSENT; Brandl, YES; Korth, YES; Baumgart, YES; and Preister, YES. Motion Carried. 8 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Julie Preister, Board Secretary