

Eldora-New Providence Schools Board of Education
Regular Meeting

July 12, 2023 – District Board Room

Present: Board Members: Jared Cook, Nick LaVelle, Emily Herring, Maggie VanderWilt, Breanne Butler, and Marc Anderson, Superintendent Dr. Adam Zellmer and Board Secretary Cindy Bierle, Elementary Principal Kassandra Albright, Facility Manager Mike May, and visitors. Absent: Jay Stanish

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Jared Cook with the reading of the mission statement “Embracing today’s challenges, preparing for tomorrow’s world.”

Discuss/Action Consent Agenda

Dr. Zellmer went over the resignation of Tom Priske as sub bus driver and transportation para, the retirement of Nancy Cook as high school language arts teacher, and recommendations for Lisa LaVelle as high school leadership team co-sponsor, Claudia Patterson and Vanessa Meester as high school special ed paras, Maggie Ziemke as high school part time assistant cook, and Della Gritsch as high school language arts teacher. **Motion** by Marc Anderson seconded by Emily Herring to approve the consent agenda. All voted in favor. The motion carried. Included in the consent agenda along with the agenda, June regular meeting minutes, report of disbursements, and financial report were the following items: staff resignation from Tom Priske as substitute bus driver and transportation para and staff retirement of Nancy Cook as high school language arts teacher; staff recommendations for Lisa LaVelle as high school leadership team co-sponsor, Claudia Patterson and Vanessa Meester as high school special ed paras, Maggie Ziemke as high school part time assistant cook, and Della Gritsch as high school language arts teacher.

Public Report Time - None

Discuss/Action Substitute Teacher Pay

Dr. Zellmer noted we raised the employees’ wages and he and Cindy feel we need to raise the substitute teacher pay. We are proposing a \$15 increase from \$105/day to \$120/day. **Motion** by Breanne Butler seconded by Nick LaVelle to increase the substitute teacher pay to \$120 per day for the 2023-24 school year. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action 2023-24 E-NP Elementary Handbook

Dr. Zellmer introduced Elementary Principal Kassandra Albright to the board, noting that the handbook looked very nice and the only adjustment may be to add information on book banning after the legislature has put out more information. **Motion** by Maggie VanderWilt seconded by Breanne Butler to approve the 2023-24 E-NP Elementary Handbook. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action IASB Legislative Priorities

The board was presented with a list of the 2024 Legislative Priorities and asked to approve 4 as the E-NP priorities to pass on to IASB. **Motion** by Breanne Butler seconded by Maggie VanderWilt to approve Sharing and Reorganization, Teacher Recruitment and Licensure, Bond Issues, and Unfunded Mandates as the E-NP School Boards’ 2024 Legislative priorities. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action ESSER 3 Plan Review

No changes to the ESSER 3 Plan this month. After summer school we will decide how to allocate the remaining balance in the account this fall. **Motion** by Maggie VanderWilt seconded by Breanne Butler to approve the ESSER 3 Plan. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss Current Hiring Status for 2023-24

The board discussed current hiring status in the district with 1 counselor position and 1 teaching position still needing to be filled at South Hardin High School.

Discuss Facilities Project Bond Vote

The board discussed the next steps in the facilities project bond vote.

Discuss Summer Projects

Mike May informed the board summer projects (lower elementary project and high school shower rooms) are going well and gave anyone who wanted to see a short viewing of the elementary progress. Dr. Zellmer noted the track resurfacing is complete and we are waiting for the lines to be painted. He also informed the board the new sign should be delivered the 2nd week of August.

Administrator/Supervisor/Superintendent Comments

Mrs. Albright noted her report in the board packet and stated she is excited to get started and is meeting with staff and getting in the building. Dr. Zellmer informed the board Mrs. Albright has put in a great deal of time prior to her contract start date. He also thanked summer staff for their efforts during his absence.

Set Date and Time of Next Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the E-NP District Office.

Adjourn

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.