

Regular & Joint Meetings of the Boards of Education of the
Eldora-New Providence & Hubbard Radcliffe CSD
Tuesday, October 17, 2023 @ 6:30 P.M.
South Hardin Middle School Success Room in Hubbard, IA
TENTATIVE AGENDA

Call Meeting to Order

HR – Board President Jacob Bolson

ENP – Jared Cook

Present – E-NP Board Members: Jared Cook, Nick LaVelle, Maggie VanderWilt, Emily Herring, Marc Anderson, Breanne Butler, and Jay Stanish, Superintendent Adam Zellmer and Board Secretary Cindy Bierle, High School Principal Mike Rundall, Elementary Principal Kassandra Albright, Director of Learning Sherri Walker and visitors. H-R Board Members: Jacob Bolson, Tracey Rieks, and Bob Westendorf (by phone), Board Secretary Deb England, Elementary Principal Brian Mangold, Middle School Principal Kevin Henrichs, and visitors. Absent: Laura Imsland and Ashley Halvorsen.

Reading of Our Mission (Jacob Bolson)

“Embracing today’s challenges, preparing for tomorrow’s world.”

Review of Joint Board Meeting Norms:

We are South Hardin Schools with ENP & HR Business Units, Have fun, Have an agenda, stick to it, and stay focused on topic being talked about, No sidebar conversations, No personal attacks on each other, staff members, or programs, Our decisions are Student Based and Data Supported, Feedback is important for growth, We keep our commitments.

Follow the SPACE guidelines:

S - Seek Opportunities to be Involved, P - Praise/No Put Downs, A - Active Listening, C - Community Feeling / Make Everyone Feel a Part, E - Empathy / Put Yourself in Place of the Other Person

Discuss/ Action Consent Agenda (ENP)

In order to conserve time and focus attention on non-routine matters on the agenda, the Board will consider a number of items grouped together as a Consent Agenda, all items to be approved in one motion. Before a motion is made to consider the Consent Agenda, any board member may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda. The removed item will then be considered for separate action. Secretary Bierle presented the board with one extra bill from the Activity Fund. **Motion** by Maggie VanderWilt seconded by Jay Stanish to approve the consent agenda. All voted in favor. The motion carried. Included in the consent agenda were the following items: Board Meeting Agenda, September Regular Meeting Minutes, Report of Disbursements, Financial Report, Open Enrollments – Nathan Bosely from E-NP to Clayton Ridge-Iowa Virtual Academy, Izabel Sherbon from E-NP to AGWSR, Alayna Hartwell from ENP to BCLUW (2024-25), Staff Resignations – Amanda Kerns as high school assistant food manager (effective 11/21/23), Matt Pfaltzgraff as assistant baseball coach, Michael Gethman as elementary special education teacher (effective 10/20/23), Staff Recommendations – Nancy Webb as high school yearbook sponsor, Jaidyn Teske as volunteer high school volleyball coach.

Discuss/ Action Approve Agenda (HR)

Discuss/ Action Approve Consent Agenda (HR)

Previous Meetings Minutes, Reports on Budget & Approval of Warrants

Communication (ENP & HR)

Public Report Time - None

Audience participation shall be in accordance with School Board Policy #204.11 that indicates "a citizen wishing to make a brief statement, express a viewpoint or ask a question regarding an item on the agenda shall be allowed to speak during the public report time". Policy #204.11R adds "any individual desiring to speak shall give his or her name, address, and the group, if any, that is represented. The presentation should be as brief as possible. Unless an extension of time is granted a speaker shall be limited to five (5) minutes. Speakers may offer such objective criticisms of school operations and programs as concern them. But in public session, the Board will not hear personal complaints of school personnel nor against any person connected with the school system".

Legislative Roundtable w/ Senator Sweeney & Representative Meggers

Dr. Zellmer provided the boards with a handout of legislative priorities and talking points. Senator Sweeney & Representative Meggers joined the boards for a discussion on the legislative issues impacting our rural schools at ENP & HR. A 45-minute discussion was held covering both districts' key legislative advocacy priorities for the 2024 Session: Operational Sharing, Teacher Recruitment and Licensure, School Funding Concerns, Unfunded Mandates, Mental Health and Behavioral Support Needs, and Bond Issue Legislation.

iJAG Program Update

The boards were presented with the iJAG (Iowa Jobs for America's Graduates) newsletter explaining the program. Director Aleatha Wesselmann along with students Carter Kies, Ava Handeland, Drew Stansbury, & Lydia Butler presented on the impact the program is already having on #OurKids and #OurSchools during the first quarter.

Math Curriculum Implementation Update

Director of Teaching and Learning Sherri Walker informed the board how the new math curriculum implementation was going in the classrooms.

Reports (ENP & HR)

ENP Elementary – Principal Albright noted the elementary is looking at proficiency rates and growth areas to focus on, the PTO sponsored Mother/Son tailgate was a success, Thursday night is Family Literacy Night, conferences are coming up, professional development is focusing on the Bridges curriculum, and PLCs are looking at fall testing data.

HR Elementary – Principal Mangold stated he appreciated all the work that went into Homecoming Week and letting the elementary participate, Fire Prevention Week went well, PBIS rewards are continuing, professional development is focusing on literacy and strengthening implementation.

SH Middle School – Principal Henrichs informed the board the middle school staff has set staff goals for staff well being and student and culture achievement (attendance numbers), and professional development is focusing on solid intervention systems.

SH High School – Principal Rundall stated students of the quarter had been chosen, conferences are coming, he will have early graduation requests next month, report cards are out next week, homecoming went well, the musical is starting to practice, professional development is focusing on CPI interventions and the book "Running the Room".

Director of Teaching and Learning – nothing to add to presentation.

Superintendent – Dr. Zellmer noted his board report was in the packet.

ENP Business Items (ENP)

Discuss/ Action LEP Allowable Cost Application

Motion by Breanne Butler seconded by Marc Anderson that the superintendent be authorized to submit a LEP Allowable Cost application for \$4,968.14. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action SBRC Modified Allowable Growth Request for Negative Special Ed Balance

Motion by Emily Herring seconded by Nick LaVelle that the superintendent be authorized to submit a Modified Allowable Growth application for Negative Special Education Balance in the amount of \$567,323.22. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action Director District #5 Seat on IASB Board

No action taken.

Discuss/Action ESSER 3 Plan Review

Motion by Maggie VanderWilt seconded by Emily Herring to approve the ESSER 3 Plan. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action Approve 2023-24 Senior Year Plus Student Eligibility

Motion by Jay Stanish seconded by Breanne Butler to approve the Senior Year Plus List. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

HR Business Items (HR)

Discuss/ Action ESSER 3 Plan Review

Discuss/ Action SBRC Modified Allowable Growth Request Special Ed.

Discuss/ Action Fundraiser Request

Discuss/Action Water Softener Replacement @ SHMS

Discuss/Action Mini-split replacement Business Office @ SHMS

Discuss/Action Director District #5 Seat on IASB Board

Discuss/ Action Personnel Items to include, but not limited to:

Employment Resignations: currently none

Employment Contracts: currently none

Common Business Items & Discussion Items (ENP & HR)

Discuss/ Action Whole Grade Sharing Fall 2023 Proration

The fall whole grade sharing prorations are as follows: Middle School – 59.7% E-NP and 40.3% H-R. High School – 65.3% E-NP and 34.7% H-R. **Motion** by Maggie VanderWilt seconded by Breanne Butler to approve the Fall 2023 Whole Grade Sharing Proration. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss/Action Appoint 2023 IASB Delegates & Finalize Registrations for 2023 IASB Convention

Motion by Breanne Butler seconded by Emily Herring to appoint Jay Stanish as the E-NP 2023 IASB Delegate. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Policy 503.08 New Student Discipline Policy Released by Department of Education

Motion by Jay Stanish seconded by Marc Anderson to approve Student Discipline Policy 503.08. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Policies 605.03, 605.03-R(1), 605.3E1, 605.3E2, 605.3E3, 605.3E4, 605.3E5 Instructional & Library Materials

Motion by Marc Anderson seconded by Breanne Butler to approve the policies related to instructional and library materials 605.03, 605.03-R(1), 605.3E1, 605.3E2, 605.3E3, 605.3E4, and 605.3E5. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Policies 104 and 104-R(1) Bullying & Harassment

Motion by Breanne Butler seconded by Nick LaVelle to approve the bullying and harassment policies 104 and 104-R(1). All voted in favor. The motion carried.

Set Date, Time, & Location of next Regular & Joint Meetings

ENP: Monday, November 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM ENP District Office.

HR: Monday, November 20, 2023 @ 7:00 PM at HR Elementary Library in Radcliffe, IA

Joint Meeting: Date to be determined at 6:30 PM at Site to be determined at SHHS Eldora, IA

HR Meeting Adjourn

ENP Meeting Adjourn

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.