

Regular June 2024 Meeting  
Monday, June 10, 2024 7:00 PM  
High School Media Center

as advertised in the *Pilot-Tribune/Enterprise* and on  
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## HEARING ON PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY 5018

- Hearing Called to Order: The hearing was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 3 administrators and 1 visitor present.
- Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws: So noted.
- Roll Call: Mike Bonacci-Present; Josh Christensen-Present; Cassie Kelly-Present; Amanda Schrum-Absent Excused; Kelli Shaner-Present; Ted Welchert-Present.
- Excused Absences: Motion by Shaner and seconded by Christensen that the absence of Amanda Schrum be excused, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea.
- Approval of Agenda: Moved that the Hearing Agenda be approved as presented. This motion, made by Bonacci and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea.
- Review of Policy 5018: Mr. Green explained the policy and the need to reaffirm it every year in order to notify parents of their rights to observe and see all that happens in the schools including testing. It explains the permissions, appointment process and the student opt out procedures. The committee has reviewed this policy.
- Board of Education Comments: There were no further comments.
- Public Comments: There were none.
- Adjournment of Hearing: This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. The Hearing was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

## REGULAR MEETING

### ROUTINE BUSINESS

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM
- Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws: So noted.
- Excused Absences: Moved that the absence of Amanda Schrum be excused. This motion, made by Bonacci and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea
- Roll Call: Bonacci-Present; Josh Christensen-Present; Cassie Kelly-Present; Amanda Schrum-Absent Excused; Kelli Shaner-Present; Ted Welchert-Present.
- Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed.

### REGULAR AGENDA

- Public Participation: There was no public participation. One more visitor arrived.
- Approval of Claims: Moved that the claims for June be approved in the amount of \$404,328.05 from the General Fund, \$33,906.76 from Savings and Depreciation and \$72,478.00 from the Bond Fund. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea,

Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Cassie Kelly and Mr. Green reviewed the bills. Explanations of bills included Carpenter Paper for all maintenance papers for 24-25 with them matching the COOP price but with free delivery, digital curriculum which renews yearly usually on July 1<sup>st</sup>, the lease payment with the last payment now being 12/26, staff computers from Apple, parking lot cameras, Indoff Lighting and rebates from OPPD, materials for District Track, and high school furniture replacement from VIRCO.

-Claim for Abes Trash: Moved that the claim for Abe's Trash Service be approved in the amount of \$1,835.00. This motion, made by Bonacci and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Josh Christensen: Abstain, Mike Bonacci: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

-Consent Agenda: Moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

-Board Committee Reports: American Civics-Cassie Kelly reported on reviewing new and existing policies along with the annual hearing and review of the Parent Involvement policy, a new proposal for the wrestling room, the Classified Staff Salary Schedule, repainting the high school parking lot to make the spaces on the diagonal, and the bare area on the Elementary playground.

Finance-Josh Christensen reported they discussed the same topics, and in addition the board retreat and new and/or mandatory legislation.

-Authorize Superintendent Green to Initiate Bidding Process for Wrestling Building Renovation: Moved that the board of education authorize Superintendent Jerry Green to initiate the bidding process for the Wrestling Building project renovation. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Kelly, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. This will allow the superintendent to get a bid for the size of the project. He will get bid specs and advertise the bidding. The initial bid was to expand and renovate the wrestling room but decided to leave this for later plans. The committees agreed to adding on a full shell and finish only the girls' locker room. From there the board will decide if they want to move forward. The unfinished space will be used for storage. Mr. Green will get it published and be ready for a vote at the July meeting for an August or September start.

-Policies 4043-Professional Boundaries and Appropriate Relationships Between Employees and Students; 5018-Parent and Guardian Involvement in Education Practices; 5028-Initiations and Hazing; 5054-Student Bullying; 5057-District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy; and 5057R-Parental Involvement Guidelines and Activities: Moved that the board of education waive first reading and reaffirm on second reading Policies 4043-Professional Boundaries and Appropriate Relationships Between Employees and Students; 5018-Parent and Guardian Involvement in Education Practices; 5028-Initiations and Hazing; 5054-Student Bullying; 5057-District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy; and 5057R-Parental Involvement Guidelines and Activities as reviewed, discussed and being recommended. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Christensen, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. These policies have to be reviewed every year by law and there are no changes to them. The committee reviewed, discussed and are recommending them for approval.

-New Policies: 3060-Firearms and Weapons for Non-Students; 6036-Reading Instruction and Intervention Services; 6039-Repeat of Grade at Parent-Guardian Request; 6041-Malcolm X Day Education; and 6042-Projection Maps: Moved that the board of education waive first reading and adopt on second reading Policies: 3060-Firearms and Weapons for Non-Students; 6036-Reading Instruction and Intervention Services; 6039-Repeat of Grade at Parent-Guardian Request; 6041-Malcolm X Day Education; and 6042-Projection Maps as discussed and presented. This motion, made by Kelly and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Mr. Green explained these policies are new based on the last

legislative session. The weapons language pertains to those districts who are more remote with longer response times or do not have SRO's in buildings. Fort Calhoun is choosing not to train to carry. Dislexia reporting is now mandatory on July 1<sup>st</sup>; parents may now be the sole requestor for their student to be retained for absenteeism; Federal law trumps state laws; some type of recognition and attributions for Malcolm X in classrooms; and the use of only certain types of maps in classrooms which our staff said is a non issue with their curriculum. A question was asked by Anita Saalfield regarding the reading instruction services and was told it would not impact instruction but simply be a reporting tool.

-Revisions of Policies 2006-Complaint Procedure; 2009 Public Participation at Board Meetings; 3003.1-Bidding for Public Improvements Financed with Federal Funds; 3004.1-Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds; 3017-Official Communication with the Public; 3032-Fees for School District Records; 3053-Nondiscrimination; 3059-Audio and Video Recording; 4011-Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA); 4053-Conflict of Interest; 5001-Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism; 5004-Option Enrollment; 5005-Transportation; 5008-Pregnant or Parenting Students; 5035-Student Discipline; 5052-School Wellness; and 6031-Emergency Exclusion. Moved that the board of education waive first reading and revise on second reading Policies 2006-Complaint Procedure; 2009 Public Participation at Board Meetings; 3003.1-Bidding for Public Improvements Financed with Federal Funds; 3004.1-Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds; 3017-Official Communication with the Public; 3032-Fees for School District Records; 3053-Nondiscrimination; 3059-Audio and Video Recording; 4011-Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA); 4053-Conflict of Interest; 5001-Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism; 5004-Option Enrollment; 5005-Transportation; 5008-Pregnant or Parenting Students; 5035-Student Discipline; 5052-School Wellness; and 6031-Emergency Exclusion as reviewed, revised and presented. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. These are all current policies and the changes come from new laws or revisions in laws. All have been reviewed by the committee and changes are minimal in terms of their impact.

-Resolution 2024-2 - Updating Staff to WCB Accounts: Moved that the board of education pass Resolution #2024-2 to add Sara Horstman and Miranda Adams to the WCB accounts previously held by Drew Wagner and Ashley Dougherty respectively, who will be removed. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. These are required by the bank to add new employees to accounts.

-Board Member Reports: Mike Bonacci was glad to see the band back safely and that Mr. Jones makes his trips both fun and educational.

-Administrator Reports: Dr. Wemhoff reported on ACT scores and their history. He noted upcoming dates for new teacher orientation with one day being at ESU for Marzanno training and the rest at school to get new hire paperwork, and getting set up for technology and hardware. In getting ready for the new school year, he has done all the teacher check outs so rooms can be cleaned, orders for next year, working on updating handbooks with new policies etc., and new student registration. He commended the custodial staff for their work in getting the school ready to go in the Fall.

Mr. Schleifer reported on summer strength and conditioning, team camps, skills development, and other summer activities. He is working on the sports/activities schedules and they will be released by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Booster Club Fall Sports Kick-off will be August 23<sup>rd</sup> and Homecoming is set for September 13<sup>th</sup>. The schools will be busy from here on out with June the busiest month of summer. Hunter Thomas is doing a really nice job in his new role. Facility maintenance and gym resurfacing will take place during the 3 separate moratoriums.

-Superintendent Report--Legislative Update: Mr. Green reported the board will look at goals at the board retreat; gave an update on the wrestling building, Summer projects, and cleaning in the District;

Mrs. Horstman being in the building/District several days a week and is ramping up to start by spending time with staff and learning our systems. The board retreat will be on July 8<sup>th</sup> probably starting at 2:00PM but that will be decided and announced. Because of legislative action the board reviewed almost 30 policy updates and 6 new policies. Changes in Title IX are still to come. A special legislative session will be called in July or August to decide on property tax. It is unimaginable that any legislation will affect our next budget cycle.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the vice president declared the meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.