

Regular October 2024 Meeting
Monday, October 14, 2024 7:00 PM
High School Media Center

as advertised in the *Pilot-Tribune/Enterprise* and
on fortcalhounschools.org

ROUTINE BUSINESS

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 12 visitors and 4 administrators present.
- Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws: So noted.
- Excused Absences: There were none-all present.
- Roll Call: Mike Bonacci-Present; Josh Christensen-Present; Cassie Kelly-Present; Amanda Schrum-Present; Kelli Shaner-Present; Ted Welchert
- Approval of Agenda: Moved that the agenda be approved as presented. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea

REGULAR AGENDA

- Public Participation: No one addressed the board.
- Approval of Claims: Moved that the board of education approve the claims in the amount of \$173,616.66 from the General Fund and \$7,903.00 from Savings & Depreciation. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Mr. Green and Cassie Kelly went over the bills and explained those that may have questions.
- Claim from Abe's Trash Company: Moved that the claim from Abe's Trash Company be approved in the amount of \$1,735.14. This motion, made by Kelly and seconded by Bonacci, Passed. Josh Christensen: Abstain: Mike Bonacci: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: 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, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Mr. Green explained that with the audit underway and new accounting system, some of the reports are not attached. They will all be available for the November meeting.
- Standing Committee Reports
 - Finance:** Amanda Schrum reported on the van rotation and their recommendation for a F350 Passenger van; getting a cost for visitor bleachers on the football field but felt it best to get an overall cost not just the bleachers; Elementary lighting; cell phone proposal; Policy 5004 and 5004R review; having to have a negotiations meeting with the members being Schrum, Christensen and Welchert; the upcoming state convention; and the district's external visitation which calls for 3 members needed for interviews.
 - American Civics:** The committee held their annual open meeting. There were no visitors present. The committee reviewed Statute 79-724 dealing with Social Studies curriculum and reviewed required policies and those as part of the continuing update of policies. Because of new legislation special education option applications will now be reviewed on a case-by-case

basis. Policy 3037 is now obsolete and will be omitted. They also discussed the same topics as the Finance Committee—the cell phone proposal, van purchase, bleachers, and elementary lighting. They also talked about negotiations and the need for a board negotiation team. Because there were no visitors, there was no facility tour.

POLICIES:

- Policy 5004 Option Enrollment: Moved that the board of education waive first reading and pass on second reading Policy 5004 Option Enrollment as reviewed. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Christensen, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea.

- Policy 5004 R Resolution on School District Standards for Acceptance or Rejection of Option Enrollment Applications Moved that the board of education waive first reading and reaffirm on second reading Resolution on School District Standards for Acceptance or Rejection of Option Enrollment Applications as reviewed and revised. This motion, made by Christensen and seconded by Shaner, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Policy 5004 needs to be reviewed each year by 10/15. The board will still set capacity levels, however special education capacities will no longer be listed with those applications being determined on a case-by-case basis.

- Policy 3030 Automatic External Defibrillator Program; Policy 3035 Chain of Command, Policy 3037 Petty Cash, Policy 3039 Threat Assessment Response

Moved that the board of education waive first reading and pass on second reading Policy 3030 Automatic External Defibrillator Program; Policy 3035 Chain of Command, and Policy 3039 Threat Assessment Response 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, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. Policy 3037 Petty Cash is now obsolete and will be deleted.

- Purchase of a New School Van: Moved that the board of education approve the administration to purchase a 2024 F-350 Med Roof Passenger Van from Woodhouse with a 5-year 60K bumper to bumper extended warranty. The price quote is \$69,258.00. This motion, made by Shaner and seconded by Christensen, Passed. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Josh Christensen: Yea, Cassie Kelly: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea, Ted Welchert: Yea. This is in line with the rotation of our fleet. The other 3 are 08 and 09's. In the process of replacing all options are looked at and the best is brought to the board. There are no 11 passenger vans any more, only 12. To be in tune with the law guiding student transportation one of the seats will be removed at a cost of \$5,000. Bonacci asked if we were keeping all the older ones and Mr. Green said there will be no trade in but when the Mini bus is fixed and back in operation it is possible that one will be sold.

- Board Member Reports: All members congratulated the softball team and coaches for their District win and trip to state. Bonacci commented on all Fall sports and the success of the Band in their marching contests.

- Administrator Reports: Dr. Wemhoff reported on an assembly by Paralympian Steve Emt with a great message for our kids about safe driving; our fire drill/reunification drill; having the SAEBRS survey for students with parents being able to opt out their student; Parent-Teacher Conferences with representatives from FAFSA and EF Foreign Exchange programs there; Bullying Awareness Month; and putting together and sending boxes to Nebraska military members around the world. Other upcoming events included State Marching Band contest, upcoming Teacher Inservice Day, picture retakes, tentative date for the POPP Lockin, Veteran's

Day Program, and Conference Honor Choir ending by saying there is lots coming up.

Mrs. Horstman: Reported on student academic support including early intervention to Reading (K-3), and corrective reading (4-6) in getting ready for our visitation to get all they need. HAL students were identified and their numbers are larger so they will have space in the PAC room, and gave a synopsis of the previous elementary activities. Upcoming events include Donuts with Dad, PBIS student achievement awards, and classroom Halloween parties. Professional Development includes Inclusive Practice Academy and Visible Instruction Leadership both at ESU #3, and getting ready to do the adoption process for Science after piloting programs from two vendors. A vision statement that aligns with the new State Science standards was developed.

Mr. Schleifer: Reported on the success of the softball team being District Champions highlighting their accomplishments and on to State; upcoming subdistrict and Conference volleyball, Conference and District Cross Country, Football having the best start in 12 years and hosting Wahoo and DC West in the next two weeks; and gave an update on Winter Sports start dates and the upcoming Winter Sports Parent meeting. Fireworks at the 10/18 game will be decided later because of the high fire danger in the area.

-Superintendent Report: Mr. Green spoke about board goals and the Mini bus with an engine that is “shot” because of a plugged cooling system. This engine is not available so Woodhouse is building one at a cost of \$25,000 which will include a 2 year warranty. Both our Transportation Director and off-site mechanic believe this is the best way to go. He also reported that the steel for the wrestling building will be delivered this week, the negotiations team will meet either 10/28 or 10/29, and thanked all staff for what they did to get ready for our upcoming external visit and the work they did sorting and categorizing all the data. All board members and the two candidates will all attend the State Education Conference.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.