

# **OSKALOOSA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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The Board of Directors of the Oskaloosa Community School District met in regular session at 7:00PM on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, in the Administration Board Room, 1800 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Present were Board members Tom Richardson, Shelly Herr, Carl Drost, Erik Edgren, Nicholas Hansen, Sharma Parlett, and Kraig Van Hulzen.

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Also present were Superintendent Mr. Russell Reiter, Bill Almond, Stacy Bandy, Andy Hotek, Tim Scott, Mike Dursky, Shari Barnhart, Corey Trainer, Marcia Hadden, Greg McCaulley, Jeff Akers, Hailey Brown, Ginger Allsup, Hannah Hirl, Tom Jansen, Magan Jansen, Mike Goudy, and Lisa Walston

#### **AGENDA**

President Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:24PM. Drost moved to approve the Agenda. Herr seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

#### **BOARD REPORTS**

Van Hulzen stated that there would be a meeting regarding the Building Trades House and another meeting regarding the softball fields. He will update the Board on these two projects at a later time.

Richardson mentioned that a meeting was held at the elementary building to review the handbook and that there was a wide variety of participation from staff, administration, and parents. He also provided some follow up regarding the behavior issues discussed at the previous board meeting.

Drost voiced concern regarding student behavior and the growing number of students choosing to open enroll outside of the District.

Van Hulzen provided information regarding an article pertaining to changes being made in other states in regards to zero tolerance policies.

Parlett updated those present on her experience at meetings held at the elementary.

## **BUILDING REPORTS**

None other than the written reports.

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Mr. Reiter updated the Board on the progress with the elementary library, tennis courts, and high school flooring. He mentioned that he would be attending a meeting regarding mental health issues. Additionally, the sale of the Building Trades home should take place in the next week to week and a half.

He also spoke of the success that the ball teams were having.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES, ABSTRACT, AND FINANCIALS**

Mr. Reiter shared the health of the District finances.

Parlett moved to approve the Minutes, Financials, and Abstract of Claims as presented. Van Hulzen seconded and all voted in favor.

## **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2016-2017 PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOKS**

Parlett moved to approve the Parent/Student Handbooks for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Herr seconded and all voted in favor.

## **CONSIDER REVISIONS TO COMPUTER LOAN AGREEMENT**

Mr. Reiter presented changes to language, as well as changes to the amounts related to technology repair costs.

Herr moved to approve the revised Oskaloosa Middle School and High School Technology Loan Agreement as presented. Parlett seconded and all voted in favor.

## **CONSIDER EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH EDDYVILLE-BLAKESBURG-FREMONT CSD**

Drost moved to extend the agreement with Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont Community School District for shared Human Resources Management starting with the 2016-2017 school year. Herr seconded and all voted in favor.

## **CONSIDER RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN IOWA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS**

Mr. Reiter presented the benefits of continued membership in the Association.

Van Hulzen moved to approve affiliation with the Iowa Association of School Boards and the related membership dues of \$7,479.00. Edgren seconded and all voted in favor.

## **CONSIDER ADOPTION OF IASB LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

Mr. Reiter presented a recap of the District's priorities for 2016. Board members discussed their various preferences in the list of available priorities.

Herr moved to approve the IASB Legislative Action Priorities for 2017 as presented and identified as Resolution Numbers 1, 2, 4, 20, and 27. Hansen seconded and all voted in favor.

### **CONSIDER REVISED BOARD GOALS**

Mr. Reiter presented the current list of Board Goals. Following the review and discussion of the current Goals, it was determined that Parlett and Herr would meet with Mr. Reiter at a later date go over language of Goals for the next board meeting.

### **PERSONNEL**

Mr. Reiter presented the Board with three resignations.

Parlett moved to accept the resignations of Donald Bell, Zach Tremmel, and Papae Wymore effective immediately. Edgren seconded and all voted in favor.

Mr. Reiter provided the Board with four appointments.

Van Hulzen moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Shannon Nikkel as Elementary School Classroom Teacher starting with the 2016-2017 school year at the BA Step 1 salary level or \$34,885. Hansen seconded and all voted in favor.

Van Hulzen moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Taylor Zimmerman as High School Special Education Teacher starting with the 2016-2017 school year at the BA Step 3 salary level or \$37,327. Parlett seconded and all voted in favor.

Parlett moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Conner Kem as Elementary School Physical Education Teacher starting with the 2017-2017 school year at the BA Step 2 salary level or \$36,106, subject to release of contract from Stanton Community School District. Hansen seconded and all voted in favor.

Drost moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Lynne Devany as Curriculum Director at a salary of \$94,000 for a 1-year contract to be reviewed by a Board Committee in accordance with the Job Description, done in the month of March, prior to the issuance of a continuing contract. Herr seconded and all voted in favor.

### **REVIEW SUBSEQUENT MEETING DATE**

It was agreed to hold the next meet on Tuesday, August 9, 2016, at 7PM unless a special circumstance warrants a meeting prior to this date.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Richardson adjourned the meeting at 9:06PM.

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Lisa Walston, Personnel & Finance Asst.  
for Chad M. Vink, Board Secretary