

**Keota School District
Board of Education Meeting
Keota Elementary School Media Center
Keota, Iowa 52248
Thursday Feb. 9, 2023
6:00 PM**

President Billie Kindred called the meeting to order and read the mission statement.

Board members present: Billie Kindred, Pat Hammen, Dan Redlinger, Andy Conrad, Jim Tinnes

Board members absent: none

Also present: Superintendent/Secondary Principal, Jim Henrich; HR Rep, Missy Sellers; Elementary Principal, Seth Milledge; School Nurse, Cathy Thalken; News Review Rep, Casey Jarmes.

Superintendent/Secondary Principal Jim Henrich amended the agenda to remove letter C under action Items.

Pat Hammen moved to accept the agenda as amended. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 5-0.

Communication and Reports

Student Reports/Programs/Celebrations – School Nurse, Cathy Thalken presented her initiative of Project Adam and discussed her implementation process of Keota being designated as Heart Safe School in Iowa, she is projecting for the school to be completed with the certification by end of April 2023. Cathy is getting licensed to be a CPR certified trainer.

Community and/or Public Participation – N/A

Approval of Consent Items

Consent Agenda:

Jim Tinnes moved to approve the following items.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – Approval of the minutes from the previous monthly meetings.

Financial Report – Approve the current financial report of the district submitted by Business Manager Jeff Dieleman.

Approval of Summary of List of Bills – Approve the bills as listed and prepaid bills.

Approval of Open Enrollment Requests – Jessica Carey requested permission for her daughter, Kaylee Kindred to open enroll to Keota CSD from Mid Prairie CSD.

Approval of Fund Raising Requests – N/A

Approval of Resignations – Francis Whitten, Teacher/Sponsor end of the 2022-2023 school year; Rod Hill, Teacher/Coach end of the 2022-2023 school year; Vickie Altenhofen, Custodian June 30, 2023.

Approval of New Hires – N/A

The consent items were seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Non-Action Items

Action Items

FY 24 Budget Guarantee Resolution

Pat Hammen moved to approve the FY24 Budget Guarantee Resolution: Resolved, that the Board of Keota Community School District, will levy a property tax for the fiscal year 2023-2024 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion Carried 5-0.

FY 2023-2024 School Calendar

Andy Conrad moved to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0

Gym Floor Bid

Dan Redlinger moved to approve the bid from FLR Sanders, Inc. for gym floor recoating. Seconded by Jim Tinnes. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent/Secondary Principal Contract for the 2023-2024 School Year

Andy Conrad moved to approve the contract for Lisa Brenman for the 2023-2024 school year as amended with the elimination of item #7. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Teaching Contract for the 2023-2024 School Year

Dan Redlinger moved to approve the contract for Rachel Cullett for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 5-0.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent and 9-12 Principal Report – Superintendent Henrich provided information from the last legislative session. ESA bill passed, basically students will receive \$7600 to use to enroll in a private school of their choice. The public district will receive \$1205 for each student that leaves. Extended Operational sharing for 12 year. Gave districts flexibility to use categorical funds to help pay salaries. Insurance renewal update, rates increased, our current plan of \$500 deductible no longer exists, the district plans to cover the new plan \$750 deductible plan. Board policy 800 series needs updated in May 2023, Billie and Andy will plan to review these policies with Superintendent. High School Track survey was completed by current 8-12th grade students, based on the anonymous results the program will be offered at Keota CSD. The older chiller will be removed February 20, 2023 and new chiller will be completed by mid-May.

Pre-6 Principal/Curriculum Report – Principal Milledge stated they are having a pantry drive going on this month, encouraging students and parents to bring non-perishable food items and personal hygiene supplies to help local pantry. Playground plans and quotes have started for a possible phased playground upgrade. Working with Keota Eagle Advocates to form a committee and start the grant writing process. Special Education teachers began to push-in to the general education classroom rather than pull-out for services for students. We began to shift our general and special education associates throughout the day to ensure growth and increased student independence. Special Thank you to each student, staff, parent and community member who took the time to be a part of the superintendent interview process last week, also a thanks to Trent and Shane from Grundmeyer Leader Services for all of their efforts and smooth process.

Activities Director Report – N/A

Business Manager Report –Completed ESSER/GEER State reports. Title Grant Reimbursements submitted. January Bank statements were balanced and February payroll was completed. AP invoices were paid and board packets assembled. Board financials were prepared.

Board Training/Board In Service

Item/topics for next board meeting

The next Keota School board meeting will be March 9, 2023 in the elementary media library at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Board President _____

Date _____

Board Secretary _____

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