

**Keota School District
Board of Education Meeting
Keota Elementary School Media Center
Keota, Iowa 52248
Thursday September 12, 2024
6:00 PM**

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

Board members present: Jim Tinnis, Pat Hammen, Andy Conrad

Board members absent: Dan Redlinger

Also present: Superintendent Lisa Brenneman, Board Secretary Gina Bennett, Elementary Principal Seth Milledge, Business Manager Amy Greiner, HR Director Missy Sellers

Andy Conrad moved to accept the agenda as presented. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Communication and Reports

Student Reports/Programs/Celebrations – No one spoke.

Community Public Participation – No one spoke

Approval of Consent 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 Amy Greiner.

Approval of Summary of List of Bills – Approve the bills as listed and prepaid bills as presented by Gina Bennett.

Approval of Open Enrollment Requests – Jocelynn Morgan- Grade 4 – from Keota to Mid Prairie

Milania Karr - from Keota to Washington

Josh Reid – Keota to Mid Prairie

Approval of Fund Raising Requests – EagleRock! – lasagna supper Jan 21st

EagleRock! – Cookie Walk – Dec. 7

EagleRock! – Red Wheel Products, Scentsy, Cookie Dough – Sept – October

FFA – FFA Apparel – Sept

FFA – Fruit, Meat, Cheese, Candy Sales – Oct – Nov.

FFA – Plant Sales from Greenhouse - ongoing

FFA – shop projects – May

FFA – Golf – Tournament on Sept 29th at Lagos Acres – proceeds for supplies

Approval of Resignations – Jenny Hobbs – JH Boys/Girls Track Coach

Elizabeth Overturf – Summer Concession Stand

~Dan Redlinger arrived @ 6:07~

Approval of New Hires – Julianna Berg – Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach

Jodi Ebert – JH Boys/Girls Track Coach

Cody Branstad – XC Coach

Jim Tinnes moved to accept the consent items as presented. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 5-0.

Non-Action Items

- A. Snow removal bids – Bids will be opened in Central Office Oct 8 @ 11:00.
- B. Central Office Facelift

Action Items

Approval of Substitute Pay – Pat Hammen moved to increase the pay for substitute teachers to \$135.00/day. After 10 consecutive days - \$197.64. For substitute cooks and associates raise to \$11.00/hour. Seconded by Jim Tinnes. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of AAA Mechanical Semi Annual HVPC Prevention – Pat Hammen moved to approve the prevention agreement with AAA Mechanical for 2024-25. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Level I Investigators - Dan Redlinger moved to approve Lisa Brenneman and Seth Milledge as Level I Investigators for the district. Seconded by Jim Tinnes. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Additional Insured Booster Groups – Jim Tinnes moved to approve the additional booster groups (Music Boosters, Athletic Boosters, Keota PTO, Keota Education Foundation, Youth Plus, Eagle Advocates) at the reimbursement rate of \$390.00 each. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 5-0.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent and 9-12 Principal Report – Superintendent Brenneman reported that figures are being examined to prepare for the Certified Enrollment report. The chronic absenteeism policy was discussed. There are many questions to the state surrounding this policy. The pool/park party was a success to celebrate the effort of the students in raising their assessment scores. The first day of Friday Professional Development will be Friday September 13. Meetings will be held collectively.

Activities Director Report – Activity director Dan Stout reported that 20 athletes are out for volleyball, there are 40 combined students out for JH Football, and 17 athletes from Keota playing SK Football. EagleRock! is currently rehearsing for the upcoming season. The second annual Par 3 tournament to benefit Keota Golf team will be held September 29th at Lagos Acres. FFA currently has 65 members and are gearing up for mu sales season.

Elementary Principal report - Principal Milledge reported the school year is off to a great start. Students finished up their RFGR surveys for phonics-based learning as well as the iReady Diagnostics to begin the MyPaths Math and Reading programs. Milledge has been working on new schematics of the elementary and Jr-Sr. High and updating the crisis plan with Crystal base on the I Love You Guys training. Bus evacuation drills, tornado and fire drills have been completed. The new website is up and work is ongoing to change the domain to @keotaeagles.org. Keota was awarded the Tree for Kids Grant from the Iowa DNR. Each section of the elementary will be planting a tree on school ground on September 24th. This will be a Cross-Age Buddy activity along with the help of Mr. Jamison's ag classes. Milledge again thanked the support of the community for the support of the new playground. Special thanks to Keota Advocates for their \$25,000.00 donation and the family of Jerry Flynn for the memorial given in Jerry's name. Keota Elementary is so appreciative of all the generous donations!

Business Manager Report – Business Manager Amy Greiner reported that August bank statements and board financial reports were prepared. September payroll was completed with the new FY25 contracts beginning. Greiner is starting to

prepare for the FY 24 Audit. Work is almost completed on the Certified Annual Report which is due Monday September 16th along with the FY 24 Special Education Supplement and the FY24 Transportation Report which Missy and Tom worked on. Information is being gathered for the annual EMC insurance audit.

Board Training/Board In Service

The next Keota School board meeting will be October 10, 2024 in the elementary media library at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

Board President _____

Date _____

Board Secretary _____

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