Keota School District
Board of Education Meeting
Keota High School Student Lounge
Keota, Iowa 52248
Thursday July 19, 2026
6:00 PM
"Dedicated to preparing lifelong learners for an ever changing society"

Board members present: Dan Redlinger, Pat Hammen, Andy Conrad

Board members absent: Nathan Greiner

Also present: Superintendent Dave Harper, Board Secretary Gina Bennett, Elementary Principal Seth Milledge, Business Manager Cherie Westendorf

moved to accept the agenda as presented. Seconded by Motion carried

Communication and Reports

Student Reports/Programs/Celebrations

Community Public Participation

Approval of Consent Items -

A. Approval of Regular Board meeting minutes
B. Approval of Financial Reports
C. Approval of Summary List of Bills
D. Approval of Open Enrollment Requests
E. Approval of Fund-Raising Requests
F. Approval of Personnel Report

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

Non-Action Items

Action Items

Approval of 2026-27 District-wide Student/Parent handbook - Pat Hammen moved to approve the 2026-27 Student/Parent handbook as presented. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of 1st reading of Board Policy 710.04 – Andy Conrad moved to approve the 1st reading of board policy 710.04 as presented. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of 1st reading of Board Policy 504.06 – Dan Redlinger moved to approve the 1st reading of board policy outlining the student activity program. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the 8th grade school activity participation– Dan Redlinger moved to approve the participation of 8th graders to participate in varsity activities as discussed and outlined in the board policy. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the Pigget quote for furniture- Dan Redlinger moved to approve the purchase of furniture upgrade in the FCS room and the science rooms in the amount of #23259.58. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the Kirkwood College contract- Pat Hammen moved to approve the annual agreement with Kirkwood College course offering contract for the 2026-27 school year. Seconded by Andy Cornad. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of a contract with Apptegy - Dan Redlinger moved to approve a five year contract with Appetgy for website and social media services in the amount of $6250.00.. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of a Primer Policy updates - Dan Redlinger moved to approve the first reading of Policies 201, 210.05, 401.01, 409.02, 501.15, 502.03, 503.01, 503.11, 503.11R1, 503.11R2, 504.06, 507.02, 507.02E1, 507.02E3, 603.01, 603.03, 603.06, 604.01, 604.01, 604.03, 604.03R1, 604.05, 605.04, 605.04, 605.04R1, 604.5, 605.4, 605.04E1, 607.01, 713, 804.05, 804.05E1, 901. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the property insurance policy with Lyle Insurance -Pat Hammen moved to approve the property insurance policy with Lyle Insurance as presented for the amount of #149,590.00. Seconded by Andy Cornad. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of additional insured booster groups - Dan Redlinger moved to approve the following additional insured booster groups for the 2026-27 school year: Keota Music Boosters, Keota Athletic Boosters, Keota PTO, Keota Education Foundation, Keota Youth Plus, and Eagle Advocates. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 4-0.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent Report – Superintendent Dave Harper reported that he is having Johnson Controls look into the HVAC to get a better balance of temperatures in the high school. Harper also is securing a quote for the painting of the walls in the corridor between the buildings.

High School Principal Report- High School Principal Heather Rosewall reported putting together an on-board document for new teachers is being developed. MAPS growth rostering and getting the system set up is going well. The schedule for 2026-27 is complete and ready for roll over.

Elementary Principal Report - Principal Seth Milledge reported that the online registration will open next week. All the July purchases have been made. Milledge is getting a quote from Dell for Chrome books. The elementary office flooring has been completed. VIPS will be installing cabinets soon. Work on the Phase 3 of the playground will begin on July 20th after the dirt work is done and the concrete borders placed. Milledge complimented the custodial staff on all their hard work thus far this summer.

Athletic Director Report - Activity Director Dan Stout reported that the FFA Chapter is getting ready for area and state fairs. There are numerous students participating. Best of luck to all our students as they participate and compete. Baseball finished 3rd in the conference with a record of 11-8. Eagle players earning season honors are Blake Baker - 1st team all conference, Bryce Horras - 1st team all conference, Jackson Vittetoe - honorable mention, and Brennan McGuire - honorable mention. The Keota softball team has been crowned conference champions for the first time in 36 years! Congratulations to the players and coaches on a great season! Best wishes as you move toward tournament play. Keota has been approved for a grant to help pay for the Hudl account for 2026-27 season.

Board Training/Board In Service

The next regular board meeting will be August 13th in the high school student lounge at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment

Pat Hammen moved the meeting adjourned. Andy Cornad seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Board President ____ Date ________________________

Board Secretary ____ Date ________________________

The board held a work meeting following the regular business meeting focusing on the facilities improvements.