

NORTH SCOTT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Eldridge, Iowa

Board Minutes – December 17, 2018

NOTE: These minutes are unofficial until approved by the board at the next regular meeting.

A regular meeting of the North Scott Board of Directors was held on December 17, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at Virgil Grissom. All members were present: Glen Keppy, Molly Bergfeld, Joni Dittmer, John Maxwell, Tracy Lindaman, Mark Pratt and Donn Wilmott.

President Keppy called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

FFA members and their advisor handed out fruit boxes to all the board members. They thanked them for their support and wished them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Maxwell moved to approve the consent agenda as follows; seconded by Dittmer. Motion unanimously approved.

- Minutes of the November 26, 2018 Regular Meeting.
- Resignations from Rebecca Seals, Head Sophomore Volleyball Coach, effective 2019-20.  
Allie Miguel, Head Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective 2019-20.
- Retirements from Dick Erps, F/T Custodian at High School, effective March 1, 2019.  
Stan Ray, Bus Driver, effective at the end of 2018-19 school year.
- Employment of Kimberly Schipper, Child Care Aide at Virgil Grissom.
- Information items: Jane Bainter, 7 hrs. /day Special Ed Aide at Armstrong will be decreased 6.5 hrs./day, effective 11/27/18. Julie Duhachek, 3 hrs. /day Reading Aide at Armstrong will be increased an additional 3.5 hrs. /day, effective 11/27/18. Jim Schneider, School to Work Advisor at the High School will increase from one day a week to 5 days a week as a long term sub at his current rate of pay. This is due to the retirement of Mary Anne Braden. Effective January 3, 2019 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.
- Approval of 2018-19 Open Enrollment-In Requests: Jalen Moreno, resident district is North Cedar (HS-10<sup>th</sup>); La'tia Morrise, resident district is Davenport (HS-9<sup>th</sup>); Denise Bomar, resident district is Davenport (HS-11<sup>th</sup>); De'Sean Morrise, resident district is Davenport (HS-10<sup>th</sup>).
- Revenue and Expenditure Reports, School Nutrition Fund Report, Child Care Report, Activity Fund Reports, and Trust & Agency Reports for November 2018.

## BILLS

Jill Van Roekel reviewed several items regarding the bill list, and presented the following bills for approval: General Fund - \$166,176.95, Student Activity Fund - \$35,579.56, Management Fund - \$14,381.97, Sales Tax Fund - \$58,758.70, PPEL Fund - \$49,139.09, School Nutrition Fund - \$58,633.24, Child Care Fund - \$3,770.00, Self-Funded Health - \$365,062.14, Agency Fund - \$8,429.30, for a total of \$759,930.95. Maxwell moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Wilmott. Motion unanimously approved.

## RECOGNITIONS

### Lancer Productions

Lancer Productions attended the Iowa State Thespian Festival in November with the following results. Kaitlyn Bendickson, Elena Kook, and Connor Oetzmann placed 1st in Group Acting; they performed in the Festival Showcase and qualified for competition at the International Thespian Festival in June 2019. Cooper Harrison (Short Film) and Torrance Lang (Costume Design) also qualified for competition at the International Thespian Festival in June 2019. Hunter Frerichs successfully defended his title as State Light Hang & Focus Champion while leading his team to an overall 2nd place finish. Joie Stoefen was elected as Chair of the State Thespian Officer Board; this is the student lead board for the Iowa State Thespian organization. Congratulations to each of you!

### Silver Shakers

The 2018 Iowa Dance Team Competition was recently held in Des Moines. The Silver Shakers team place 2<sup>nd</sup> in Poms, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Lyrical, and 6<sup>th</sup> in Jazz routine. Elsa Trieber was the scholarship award winner from the Iowa Dance Team Association. Congratulations to each of the girls on their performances and awards!

### All State Football

Carson Rollinger, 1st Team Defensive Back, Nile McLaughlin, 2nd Team Quarterback, Brady Ernst, 3rd Team Offensive Line. Congratulations to everyone on their accomplishments!

## REPORTS

Robyn Leiby, Amy Lamfers, and Kari Ginger presented an educational update for Virgil Grissom. They explained the purpose of the Grissom Houses. Their goal is to change the culture of their school, make Virgil Grissom a place where students are excited to come to, and build strong relationships amongst students and staff. The board members and superintendent drew a color out of a Santa hat to determine what house they would become a part of. The students in the audience welcomed them to their Grissom House.

Administrative Updates

Bernie Brustkern, Ed White Principal, reported they finished Stop the Bleed training, held a Spelling Bee, and are having hat day on December 20th as a fundraiser for Kids against Hunger. They will hold their holiday parties on December 21.

Shane Knoche, High School Principal, reported that Robotics has started, 40 students are participating in Archery, NSH helped with Angel Tree and at the local food bank. The boys' basketball team helped with Angel Tree and Special Olympics. They are working hard on Lancer Way. They are starting to develop apprenticeships to get ready for next year.

John Hawley, Jr. High Principal, reported they are practicing for the district Invent Iowa, they participated in Lego League, and recently held winter concerts for choir and band. The influence of the Challenge and Behavior Team has been very positive for their staff. December 21 at 9 a.m. is their variety show.

Tim Green, Armstrong Principal, reported that two weeks ago they held a supper with Santa and had a great turnout. They have finished Stop the Bleed training. They participated in Lego League and are holding a Spelling Bee on December 18.

Sue Kane, Curriculum Director, reported that the new state test (ISASP) has started rolling out some information. They had their first webinar on ISASP and have selected a test window. Testing is planned for April 1 through April 26. They will present information on ISASP to teachers at the next teacher in-service.

Kelly Rohlf, John Glenn Principal, reported they competed in Lego League and received a Judge's trophy. As a STEM project, their 4<sup>th</sup> graders are working on wiring a hand held device for coding a game they are creating. They are having spirit week this week. December 21 at 9 a.m. is their talent show. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade students finished an essay on what the flag means to them.

Michael Kline, Grissom Principal, reported the Grissom house names came from NASA missions, their Lego team received a project award, and their music program was held last month.

NEW BUSINESS

Shane Knoche, high school principal, presented a list of 2018-19 early graduates. Maxwell moved to approve the list of early graduates as presented, seconded by Dittmer. Motion unanimously approved.

2019-20 School Calendar-DRAFT

The superintendent presented three drafts of the 2019-20 school calendar, and recommended the January 28th board meeting (to be held at Ed White Elementary) be set as the public hearing on the 2019-20 school calendar. Maxwell moved to set the hearing date for January 28<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Pratt. Motion unanimously approved.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The superintendent's report included the following items:

- (a) The open position report was provided.
- (b) Enrollment Report was provided.
- (c) Solar Project – After the first of the year a plan will be released for John Glenn Elementary.
- (d) 3-5 year Project Plan – January 8, 2019 the Facility Committee will meet and develop a plan to present.
- (e) Dump Truck – There were no qualifying bids submitted on time.
- (f) Winter Break Schedule – Central Office will be closed December 24 – January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

BOARD COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Keppy commented that we lost a couple of individuals that his family got to work with for a number of years. Keppy felt the North Scott Press did an excellent job recapping their life span. Barry Lahann, former principal at Alan Shepard and Janice Uitenbroek, former board member did a lot of good for North Scott.

There being no further business, Maxwell moved to adjourn, seconded by Dittmer. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Maxwell moved to hold a closed session as authorized by Chapter 21.5(1)(a) of the Code of Iowa to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential. Motion seconded by Dittmer. ROLL CALL: Ayes – Pratt, Wilmott, Bergfeld, Maxwell, Dittmer, Lindaman, and Glen. Nays – none. Motion unanimously approved.

The board went into closed session at 7:58 p.m. No action was taken following the closed session. The Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved:

Terina Bruns, Secretary

Glen Keppy, Board President