

NORTH SCOTT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Eldridge, Iowa

Board Minutes – May 13, 2019

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 May 13, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Office. 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 6:31 p.m.

Kerry Madden spoke regarding negotiations with classified staff.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Minutes of the April 22, 2019 Regular Meeting and Closed Meeting Minutes of April 29, 2019 and May 6, 2019.
- Retirement of Mary Ann Bruesch, 7 hrs. day/4 days a week (T-F) PreK4 Aide SWVP at Alan Shepard, effective end of 2018-19.
- Resignations of Kaitlyn Shell, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Elementary Special Education Teacher at Neil Armstrong, effective end of 2018-19; Holly Timm, Resource/Special Ed Teacher .5 at John Glenn and .5 at Alan Shepard, effective end of 2018-19; Shayla Hinzman, .5 Spanish Teacher at the Jr. High/HS, effective end of 2018-19; Brian Besse, Assistant 9<sup>th</sup> Football Coach, effective 2019-20 season; Jackie Miller, .5 School Counselor at Ed White, effective at the end of 2018-19; Nicole Vatnsdal, Special Ed Teacher at Ed White, effective at the end of 2018-19; Brett Chiles, .5 Elementary School Counselor at Ed White, effective end of 2018-19; Lauren Emerson, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher and Co-Student Council Advisor at John Glenn, effective end of 2018-19; Regina Lehman, 4 year old Preschool Teacher at Alan Shepard, effective end of 2018-19; Troy Matthaides, Assistant High School Cross Country Coach, effective end of 2018-19; April Tedrick, 3.5 hrs./day Van Helper and 2.25 hrs./day Food Service Helper, effective May 24, 2019; Jacob Sikorski, Assistant Technical/Theatre Director at the High School, effective June 30, 2019; Heidi Durant, Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach, effective end of 2018-19 season.
- Employment of Paige Riley, Food Service Helper, effective April 29, 2019; Ellen Jelinske, Special Ed Teacher, effective 2019-20 school year; Olivia Day, Special Ed Teacher, effective 2019-20 school year; Alison Cawiezell, Special Ed/Resource Teacher, effective 2019-20 school year; Lori

Marais, Special Ed/Resource Teacher, effective 2019-20 school year; Scott Roenfeldt, Maintenance Supervisor, effective June 1, 2019.

- Information items: Kristina McWethy, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Virgil Grissom, will voluntarily be reassigned to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher at Virgil Grissom, due to the reassignment of Kyle Harris, effective 2019-20 school year; Robyn Leiby, .625 Reading Specialist Teacher at Virgil Grissom, will voluntarily be reassigned to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Virgil Grissom, due to the reassignment of Kristina McWethy, effective 2019-20 school year; Tara James, .475 Preschool Teacher at Virgil Grissom, will voluntarily be reassigned to Pre-Kindergarten Teacher at Virgil Grissom, due to the retirement of Sheri Wallace, Job #51008, effective 2019-20 school year; Devan Cummings was incorrectly listed on the 4/22/19 agenda as Lane 1, Step 3, \$39,180. She should be Lane 1, Step 4, \$40,378; Madison Hosfield was incorrectly listed on the 4/22/19 agenda as Lane 1, Step 3, \$39,180. She should be Lane 1, Step 4, \$40,378; Jessica Albright was incorrectly listed on the 4/22/19 agenda as Lane 1, Step 3, \$39,180. She should be Lane 1, Step 4, \$40,378.
- Approval of 2019-20 Open Enrollment In Requests, Niya Geiken, resident district is Davenport (JG-K).
- Revenue and Expenditure Reports, School Nutrition Fund Report, Child Care Report, Activity Fund Reports, and Trust & Agency Reports for April 2019.
- Approval of the summer 2020 and 2020-21 Driver Education Services Agreement with Mississippi Bend AEA.
- Amendment to Agreement with Juvenile Court Services for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Iowa, extending through June 30, 2020.
- Approval of the 2019-20 Student Teaching Agreement with Iowa Wesleyan University.
- Approval of the 2019-20 Student Teaching Agreement with Luther College.
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## BILLS

Jill Van Roekel reviewed several items regarding the bill list, and presented the following bills for approval: General Fund - \$301,670.74, Student Activity Fund - \$49,881.71, Sales Tax Fund - \$156,014.73, PPEL Fund - \$2,892.60, School Nutrition Fund - \$80,489.88, Child Care Fund - \$910.61, Self-Funded Health - \$427,697.39, Agency Fund - \$8,870.21, for a total of \$1,028,427.87. Maxwell moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Dittmer. Motion unanimously approved.

## RECOGNITIONS

Jill Van Roekel, Director of Business, has been notified by the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) that the district has received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting Award for the 36<sup>th</sup> year.

On April 29<sup>th</sup>, students from across Iowa participated at the state level in National History Day in Des Moines. North Scott had 26 students who participated. There are 14 students with 8 projects advancing to the National History Day Contest from June 7<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup> at the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. 25% of the projects that will represent the state of Iowa will be coming from North Scott!!

FFA State Leadership Awards: Overall State Ranking: An agriculture program is evaluated on its ability to do the following: Grow Leaders, Strengthen Agriculture, and Build Communities. The Iowa FFA names one agriculture program state champion in each of the areas of excellence. North Scott was named the State Champions in two of three areas: Growing Leaders and Building Communities! The Iowa FFA Degree is the highest degree the state can bestow upon a member. There are many requirements for this degree. Recipients of the Iowa Degree were Chloe Engelbrecht, Dalton Hanenburg, Kelly Hermiston, and Katie Seeman. Biotechnology – State Champs, Gold Rating went to Caden Romero (2<sup>nd</sup> in State), Glory Hansel (3<sup>rd</sup> in State), Kara Rohlf (4<sup>th</sup> in State), and Taylor Mayhue (11<sup>th</sup> in State). Genetic Engineering Plan: 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Students designed a plan to improve the genetic code of a dairy goat to express a specific protein for lactose intolerant children. Ag Issues – 2<sup>nd</sup> in State, Runner Up, Gold Rating went to Leslie Bell, Dylan Engelbrecht, Abbi Lafrenz, Ceandra Staub, and Coryn Wilson. Forum: Students presented their debate on if a person should enter farming or not. They presented the debate to the following individuals and groups: President of Iowa State, Wendy Wintersteen, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Naig, Iowa Legislature House Agriculture Committee, Iowa Farm Bureau, and Farm Credit of Eastern Iowa. Website Design – 2<sup>nd</sup> in State, Runner Up, Gold Rating went to Dalton Hanenburg. Website: [www.northscottffa.org](http://www.northscottffa.org). Poultry Proficiency Award – 2<sup>nd</sup> in State, Runner Up, Gold Rating went to Chloe Engelbrecht. Award Included: A 15 page written application focused around Chloe's poultry project on her farm. Horticulture Proficiency Award – 2<sup>nd</sup> in State, Runner Up, Gold Rating went to Dalton Hanenburg. Award Included: A 15-page application focused on Dalton's work at Wallace's Garden Center. Agricultural Communications – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team, Gold Rating went to Grace Bjustrom, Maddy Costello, Caelan Engelbrecht, and Hailey Rossmiller. Their Media Plan Included: Audience Analysis, Email Campaign, Direct Mailing Campaign, Social Media Outreach, Budget, and Evaluation. Poultry Evaluation – 8<sup>th</sup> Place Team, Gold Rating went to Chloe Engelbrecht (5<sup>th</sup> in State), Raven McCabe, Mikayla Moore, and Haley Salyars. Event Included: Live Poultry Judging, Evaluation of Ready-to-Cook Poultry, Shell Eggs Grading, and General Knowledge Test. Chapter Display – Gold Rating went to Clara Hanenburg, Jessica Kroeger, Lauren Rossmiller, and Corbin Suiter. Event Included: Created an 8-foot display about an activity our agriculture program plans and implements.

Chapter Program Presentation – Silver Rating went to Kelly Hermiston and Katie Seeman. Event Included: Sharing a 12-minute presentation with judges about our FFA chapter. Ag Sales Team – Silver Rating went to Clara Hanenburg, Jessica Kroeger, Lauren Rossmiller, and Corbin Suiter

Event Included: Team and Individual Sales Presentation for an aquatic herbicide for a fish farmer, and General Knowledge Test. (10th overall in test) Extemporaneous Speaking – Silver Rating went to: Chloe Engelbrecht. Event Included: Writing an extemporaneous, 5-6 minute speech in 30 minutes about Urban Agriculture. Farm Business Management Test – Silver Rating went to Alex Dickman, Colin Henzen, Rhys Roelandt, and Jake Weas. Event Included: Taking two tests on financial literacy and organic agriculture. Greenhand Test—Silver Rating went to Ben Schulz. Event Included: Answer 100 questions about Agricultural Education and FFA.

North Scott Singers, Select Women's Choir and Select Men's Choir had outstanding work on May 4, 2019 at the contest hosted by Bettendorf. All three ensembles received Division One ratings. Each ensemble was cited for exemplary work in many areas including tone, rhythm, intonation, expression and overall musicianship. Over 120 students participated in this event!

Stutting recognized the 2018-19 retirees and thanked them for their service to North Scott Schools.

## REPORTS

Sue Kane introduced the Talented and Gifted and Extended Learning Teachers who shared the professional learning they have been doing this year to meet the state code requirement for the TAG/ELP program. The group consisted of the following teachers: Amy Lamfers, Kat Rogers, Susan Ames, Carey Copeland, Stephanie Mersman, and Erin Jenkins.

Sue Kane reported that the last meeting for math is May 15. This time of year they are transitioning from what we have been working on this year to what we will work on for next year. Teacher leaders have been reviewed or interviewed. Currently they are planning for next school year's professional development.

Bernadette Brustkern reported that a couple weeks ago the North Scott elementary schools had a visiting author, this week is field day for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders, the Lions Club came to present trees to the 4<sup>th</sup> graders, student council members spread mulch around campus and planted flowers, and an all school pajama day fundraiser for Anna Noack is May 16.

Tim Green reported that the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders had wax museum day on May 10, the 5<sup>th</sup> graders went to Biz Town on May 13, they recognized sixteen Exceptional Eagles this week, and John Deere worked with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students on coding.

Tim Green reported that John Glenn has completed testing, held their annual Fun Run on May 3, and the 5<sup>th</sup> graders went to Biz Town on May 13.

Chad Ruth reported that at the end of the month their students get to go to Ames and participate in the Special Olympics, the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders had their wax museum day, they are looking forward to career day coming up at the end of the year, and the PTO just put on their 9<sup>th</sup> annual fun run.

Michael Kline reported they held Mock Trial on April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Flag Essay Award presentation was

held on May 13, pastries with parents was held on May 10, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders went to the Mississippi River Museum last week, the 6<sup>th</sup> graders went to the Museum of Science and Industry on April 26<sup>th</sup>, and the Girl Scout Troop are planting flowers on May 14.

John Hawley reported they are currently MAP testing, they have held a lot of concerts, Spring Bash is May 17, Step-Up Day is May 20 and May 21 and several fieldtrips are happening this month.

Shane Knoche reported they have held a lot of banquets this month, prom and post prom was held on May 4, they are finishing MAP testing, they served Whiteys Ice Cream to all staff last week for Teacher Appreciation, on May 2 they had the apprenticeship signing and are currently working on a military signing date, and the special runners are leaving on May 22.

The superintendent shared information on the 5 year project list from the facility board committee. Talked about each school and what their current needs are.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Shane Knoche presented the 2019 graduation list. Dittmer moved to approve the 2019 graduation list, seconded by Lindaman. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented the 2019-20 Bus Driver's Handbook. Maxwell moved to approve the 2019-20 Bus Driver's Handbook, seconded by Wilmott. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented the 2019-20 Certified Master Handbook. Dittmer moved to approve the 2019-20 Certified Master Handbook, seconded by Pratt Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented the 2019-20 Administrators Handbook. Maxwell moved to approve the 2019-20 Administrators Handbook, seconded by Lindaman. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented the 2019-20 Mid Management Handbook. Pratt moved to approve the 2019-20 Mid Management Handbook, seconded by Dittmer. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented the 2019-20 Non-Represented Handbook. . Maxwell moved to approve the 2019-20 Non-Represented Handbook, seconded by Pratt. Motion unanimously approved.

The Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) 2019-20 membership fee was presented. Maxwell moved to approve the 2019-20 membership fee, seconded by Wilmott. Motion unanimously approved.

Jill Van Roekell presented the administration's recommendation for an amendment to the 2018-19 school district budget. Wilmott moved to set the hearing date for May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019, seconded by Maxwell.

Amy Guerrero, Director of Food Service, presented the 2019-20 food service fee recommendation. Wilmott moved to approve the 2019-20 food service fee, seconded by Lindaman. Motion unanimously approved.

Jill Van Roekel, Director of Business Affairs, presented the 2019-20 guest staff pay schedule recommendation. Wilmott moved to approve the 2019-20 guest staff pay schedule, seconded by Maxwell. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent presented information on the purchase of property and building for future school district use. Dittmer moved to approve the purchase of property at \$700,000.00 with inspection. The property is located at the corner of Old Hwy 61 and LeClaire Road, seconded by Pratt. ROLL CALL: Ayes - Lindaman, Pratt, Maxwell, Dittmer, Wilmott, and Keppy. Nays - Bergfeld. Motion approved.

#### SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The superintendent’s report included the following items: open positions report, enrollment report, student build home celebration is on May 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., donation from McCausland United Methodist Church, and recognition of school board members for school board recognition month.

#### BOARD COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Items of correspondence included a thank you from the North Scott Educational Foundation.

There being no further business, Bergfeld moved to adjourn, seconded by Pratt. The meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved:

Terina Bruns, Secretary

Glen Keppy, Board President