

Newton Community School Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting
E. J. H. Beard Administration Center
East Conference Room

August 13, 2018 – 6:30 PM

MINUTES

Call to Order – Travis Padget convened the board to order at 6:30 PM

Roll Call – Present: Josh Cantu, Donna Cook, Robyn Friedman, Ann Leonard, Cody Muhs, Travis Padget, Graham Sullivan, Bob Callaghan, Tim Bloom, and Christine Dawson

Others Present: Gary Grimes, Fran Henderson, Rachelle Hines (FRK architects + engineers), Trisca Mick, Judi Mulbrook, Casey Price, Deborah Rose, Tina Ross, Eric VanderVelden, Dave Dolmage (Newton Daily News), and Randy Van (KCOB)

Communications

None

Consent Agenda – ACTION #10478

Leonard moved, Sullivan seconded to unanimously approve the consent agenda.

Human Resources Update

Superintendent Callaghan presented the Human Resources Update.

Certified Personnel – ACTION #10479

Dustin Brisel – (contract) – 8th Grade Football Coach (BMS) – eff August 13, 2018

LaNita Keeton – (contract) – JV Volleyball Coach (NHS) – eff August 6, 2018

Kyle Peta – (contract) – 3rd Grade Teacher (TJ) – eff August 14, 2018

Kyle Peta – (contract) – Boys Head Varsity Basketball Coach (NHS) – eff November 12, 2018

Alora Simmons – (contract) – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach (BMS) – eff August 13, 2018

Jena Teed – (contract) – 9th Grade Volleyball Coach (NHS) – eff August 6, 2018

Todd Lucas – (resignation) – Softball Coach (BMS) – eff July 30, 2018

Cook moved, Sullivan seconded to approve the (Amended) Human Resources Update – Certified Personnel Report. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan Nays: None

Classified Personnel – ACTION #10480

Rocco Carson – (agreement) – Drum Line Sponsor (NHS) – eff August 13, 2018

Collin Jacobsen – (agreement) – 8th Grade Football Coach (BMS) – eff August 13, 2018

Derek Wrage – (agreement) – Specialist (LOC) – eff August 20, 2018

Brianna Fuller – (resignation) – Educational Associate (BMS) – eff August 8, 2018

Katie Pline – (resignation) – Drum Line Sponsor (NHS) – eff August 7, 2018

Nancy Moore – (retirement) – Educational Associate (NHS) – eff August 7, 2018

Deb Shugar – (retirement) – Educational Associate (NHS) – eff August 7, 2018

Muhs moved, Friedman seconded to approve the (Amended) Human Resources Update – Classified Personnel Report. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan Nays: None

New Personnel Bios

A listing of New Certified Staff Biographies – 2018 2019 was included in the board members' packets.

Open Forum

None

Superintendent's Report

Middle School Construction Update

Callaghan gave an update on construction progress at the new Berg Middle School and displayed pictures. The project is on schedule and on budget.

Learning, Leadership, and District Business

Consider Approval of the 2018 – 2019 Student Handbooks – ACTION #10481

Trisca Mick shared edits to the Newton Community Preschool Handbook and Bret Miller shared a draft of the WEST Academy Student Handbook. Leonard moved, Sullivan seconded to approve the 2018 – 2019 Student Handbooks. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan Nays: None

Review Draft of the District Developed Service Delivery Plan (DDSDP) – Opening of Public Comment Period

Tina Ross presented a draft of the District Developed Service Delivery Plan (DDSDP). The document will be open for public comment on the district website and Facebook page for 30 days, from August 14 – September 14, 2018. If written comments are received, the team will reconvene. If no comments are received, the document will be presented for final approval at a future board meeting.

Resolution Appointing Paying Agent, Bond Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of Same – ACTION #10482

Tim Bloom explained the bond documents included in the board members' informational packets, and following action items. Leonard moved, Cantu seconded to Appoint the Paying Agent, Bond Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approve the Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorize the Execution of the Same. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Move that the Form of Tax Exemption Certificate be Placed on File and Approved – Tim Bloom, Director of Business Services – ACTION #10483

Sullivan moved, Friedman seconded that the Form of Tax Exemption Certificate be Placed on File and Approved. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Move that the Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate be Placed on File and Approved – ACTION #10484

Friedman moved, Leonard seconded that the Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate be Placed on File and Approved. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Resolution Authorizing and Providing for the Terms of Issuance and Securing the Payment of \$5,620,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018B, of the Newton Community School District, State of Iowa, Under the Provisions of Chapters 423E and 423F of the Code of Iowa, and Providing for a Method of Payment of Said Bonds – ACTION #10485

Friedman moved, Sullivan seconded to approve the Resolution Authorizing and Providing for the Terms of Issuance and Securing the Payment of \$5,620,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018B, of the Newton Community School District, State of Iowa, Under the Provisions of Chapters 423E and 423F of the Code of Iowa, and Providing for a Method of Payment of Said Bonds. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Set a Public Hearing Date and Time for the Purchase of the Berg Furniture Package on August 27, 2018 at 6:45 PM – ACTION #10486

Rachelle Hines spoke about the Berg furniture package, and the need to set a public hearing. The bid opening is scheduled for August 16, 2018. Sullivan moved, Cantu seconded to Set a Public Hearing Date and Time for the Purchase of the Berg Furniture Package on August 27, 2018 at 6:45 PM. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Consider Approval of Schematic Design for Softball Project Phase 2 (Concessions & Restrooms) – ACTION #10487

Rachelle Hines presented a Schematic Design/Design Development for the Newton Softball Complex – Phase 2. This phase includes concessions and restrooms, which will be constructed north of the existing softball field. Substantial completion is scheduled for April 15, 2019 at a preliminary project cost of \$387,925. Friedman moved, Leonard seconded to Approve the Schematic Design for Softball Project Phase 2 (Concessions & Restrooms). Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Consider IASB Legislative Priorities for 2019 Session (Board’s Top 4) – ACTION #10488

Superintendent Callaghan facilitated this discussion item on selecting our top legislative priorities for the 2019 session. Friedman moved, Leonard seconded that our Legislative Priorities for the 2019 Session are #7 (Mental Health), #8 (Special Education – State), #19 (School Funding Policy), #20 (Supplemental State Aid), and #27 (SAVE – Secure an Advanced Vision for Education). Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

Denison Update

Friedman gave an update on plans for the Back to School Convocation – August 20, 2018.

Business Service Report – Tim Bloom, Director of Business Services

Approval of Bills – ACTION #10489

Sullivan moved, Cantu seconded to approve the bills. Ayes: Cantu, Cook, Friedman, Leonard, Muhs, Padget, Sullivan

New Business – Old Business – Bob Callaghan, Superintendent

Future Meeting Dates

New Teacher Academy – August 14 – 16, 2018

Greater Newton Area Chamber of Commerce – New Teacher Luncheon – August 15, 2018

Back to School Breakfast & Convocation – August 20, 2018

First Day of School – August 23, 2018

Regular Board Meeting: 6:30 PM August 27, 2018 – (EJH Beard Administration Center) – will be held at 6:00 PM, with public hearing at 6:45 PM

Sean Dunphy - 360° Review – [after regular board meeting] August 27, 2018 – (EJH Beard Administration Center)

73rd IASB Annual Convention & Trade Show – November 14 – 16, 2018 – (Des Moines)

Adjourn – ACTION #10490

Sullivan moved, Cook seconded to unanimously adjourn the meeting at 7:48 PM.

Minutes Mailed

Approved by Action No. _____

President

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Secretary