

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in regular session on October 10, 2018.

The following board members were present: Cary Rhoades, Eric Richardson, Dan Davis, Elaine Hellwarth, and Bob Clark

Guests:

Pam Chew Belinda Locke Judy Cole Rachel Sheeley Allison Ullery Terry Schraub Rebekah LaVere
Sandi Schraub Rick Retherford Travis Weik John Huff

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order by Mr. Rhoades at 6:32 p.m. in the LGI Room at the Elementary Building. Dr. Doering certified compliance with the open meeting law.

CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD MEETING

Davis/Richardson moved to approve the September 26, 2018

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular and Executive Board meeting minutes with corrections noted on revised agenda provided. Changes made were to spelling correction of guest listed.

5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton)

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

President Rhoades referred to the Mission/Vision statements listed on the Agenda. President Rhoades offered the opportunity for guests to speak.

Dr. Doering introduced Jerry Hillman, Buildings & Grounds/Transportation Director.

Mr. Hillman discussed the new bus purchase. It had been placed on display outside the Elementary Building for Board and guests to see prior to the meeting. He shared that a lengthy process was pursued to obtain the bus that contains a few “bells and whistles” such as LED lighting which is much brighter, is an Air Ride unit, and adjusts to different body types. The bus will be placed in service on Monday morning (10-15-18). Mr. Hillman proceeded to share his five year plan for his departments. Beginning with transportation he again referred to the new bus purchased. Future plans for bus purchases include 6 big busses and/or 2 small busses beginning school year 2018-2019 through 2022-2023. Mr. Davis inquired on the life expectancy of current units. Mr. Hillman replied with mileage and age is two key factors to consider. Our fleet receives routine maintenance and is serviced as they should be. Transportation is considering enhancing their driver training with a minimum of one training per month on a variety of topics the drivers have input on. Would like to add a sub bus position and are working to grow drivers from within current staff who may be a good fit for such a position. He is open to see what happens with it. The biggest challenge faced is getting drivers. He indicated he has two potential drivers slotted for the month of November. Commendation was given for such a great current group of drivers and their willingness to assist as needed.

Maintenance five year plan included roof repairs, painting as needed, safety projects, HVAC repairs as needed, creating a plan with the board for 2021 bond money/safety grants, and the biggest challenge being replacing or adding a chiller at the elementary building. The number one issue facing the maintenance department is the air at the elementary and he is currently working with Trane to access the current system versus and options available. The main issue with the current equipment is it doesn't have enough capacity and the high humidity greatly affects the output. He will keep the board updated as he obtains more information. Mr. Richardson asked if he had ever considered solar utilities which Mr. Hillman replied not solar but he reviewed windmills. With high usage of the buildings it in turn creates higher utility costs. Mr. Davis inquired to the dishwasher status. Mr. Hillman looked at the equipment currently in place and obtained the quote for replacing. The tear out and installation was a big chunk of the quote. He stated it was cheaper to purchase paper products than having additional staff and supplies to run. Mr. Rhoades asked what it would take to get the current unit ready for use. The film left on the trays is caused from the hardness of the water. He is currently trying to empty a tank of water to flush out and will run a group of trays through to see how it processes. It would then be Chartwells decision to use or not.

GROWS @ THE CREEK

No additional news to share.

Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment Update

Prepared by Laura Swain, Curriculum Coordinator/Instructional Coach

Curriculum

Elementary reading curriculum writing positions were posted on the district website on October 2. A number of teachers have responded that they are interested in participating. The deadline to apply for these positions is Monday, October 8. Ms. Swain will notify the teachers who are selected after October 8; the teachers and will have an initial curriculum writing meeting when we return from fall break.

Federal Grants

[Title I](#)- Approved September 21, 2018

[Title II](#)

[Title IV](#)

Professional Development

We have a number of teachers attending professional development sessions during the fall. Some of the sessions are provided by East Central Educational Service Center, Nettle Creek staff, and other agencies.

October 4 Literacy Assistant Training
October 17 ELA High Ability Units
November 19 College Board, APES Training (Science)
November 27 ILEARN Science

All teachers continue to meet with me to set their class goal(s) using NWEA or local data. These meetings are a result of each building's 5-year plan. Ms. Swain will meet with the teachers in December/January and also in April/May to assess progress. As she mentioned before, this is one of her favorite things to do!

HES: Classroom teachers, specials teachers, and specialists will create classroom goals using NWEA data or content specific data.

HHS: Core teachers (ELA/math) will create class goals for those classes where 50% or more of students are not meeting the norm grade level RIT. Non core teachers will create a class goal for at least one class period.

Assessment

Administrators have been waiting to share ISTEP+ data with you for weeks! Click on the link below to view our results for 2017-2018.

[ISTEP+ Summary 2017-2018](#)

Upcoming Assessments

October 16 ASVAB
October 24 PSAT
November 12 ISTEP+ Winter Restest (11th/12th grade students only)

SCHOOL NEWS

No new school news since out for Fall Break.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business brought for discussion..

FINANCIAL ITEMS

Hellwarth/Richardson moved to approve September 28, 2018 Corp. Payroll Claim totaling \$193,999.11; and September 28, 2018 ECA Payroll Claim totaling \$845.97
5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton)

Davis/Hellwarth moved to approve the recommendation for resolution to adopt 2019 Appropriations and Tax Rates. 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton)

Hellwarth/Richardson moved to approve the recommendation for resolution to adopt 2019 Capital Projects Fund Plan. 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton) Dr. Doering distributed a corrected sheet per request from the previous board meeting regarding the dishwasher figure.

Hellwarth/Richardson moved to approve the recommendation for resolution to adopt the 2019 Bus Replacement Plan. 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton)

Hellwarth/Richardson moved to approve the recommendation for the 2019 Budget Line 2 Resolution. 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton) Dr. Doering gave explanation for this action which allows for any adjustments and flexibility to make changes with the final appropriations.

Richardson/Davis moved to approve the recommendation for consideration and approval to create an ECA (Extra Curricular Account) to accept and record financial transactions for JAG (Jobs for America's Graduates) program. 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton) Dr. Doering distributed his monthly financial overview sheet.

PERSONNEL

Hellwarth/Richardson moved to approve employment of Amy Combs Marker as Head Swimming Coach for the 2018-2019 school year. 5/2/0 (Keesling/Houghton)

FACILITY UPDATE

Hellwarth/Davis moved to approve the following field trip: Peer Helpers training to Butler University, Indianapolis. October 19, 2018 5/0/2 (Keesling/Houghton)

BOARD MEMBERS REPORT

Mr. Davis –Requested Dr. Doering clarify the safety grant Mr. Hillman referred to. Dr. Doering responded it is one in which we have a match and approximately 18 months to have it spent.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Next Regular Board Meeting set for October 24, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. LGI Room at the Elementary Bldg.

There being no other items before the board, Davis/Clark moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting and moved to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:45 P.M.

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ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Signed _____

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in executive session on October 10 2018. The meeting was conducted in the administration office.

The following board members and administrative staff were in attendance: Cary Rhoades, Eric Richardson, Bob Clark, Elaine Hellwarth, Dan Davis and Dr. William Doering.

No subject matter in the executive session, other than subject matter specified in the public notice, was discussed by the governing body. The executive session adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Signed _____

