

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in regular session on April 24, 2019.
The following board members were present: Bob Clark, Dan Davis, Lyle Finney, Marcie Houghton, Shaun Lieberman, Cary Rhoades, and Eric Richardson.

Guests:

Judy Cole Belinda Locke Joe Sorrell Wayne L. Becky L. Julie Arnold Stephanie F. David Tyner Tiffani Hokey
Mandi Isaacs Rachel Shelley Emily Schaeffer Lisa Bane

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order by
Mr. Rhoades at 6:30 p.m. in the Library at the Elementary Building.

Dr. Doering certified compliance with the open meeting law.

CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Richardson/Davis moved to approve the minutes for the following meetings: April 10, 2019 Regular and Executive Meetings.
Motion passed 6/0/1 (Clark).

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

President Rhoades inquired if any guests present wished to present to the board.

Dr. Doering introduced guest Wayne County Sheriff Retter. Sheriff Retter presented an overview of the School Resource Officer program his Department is currently staffing six of the eight SRO's in Wayne County. He shared background history of the programs; enforcement experience; school safety system outline; partnership opportunities; as well as a sample RSO management agreement for review and consideration as the Board continues to explore safety measure options. Mr. Rhoades inquired as to the process utilized for selecting RSO's with Sheriff Retter responding with it being a joint effort with the School Board making the final decisions with Sheriff Retter providing guidance. Mrs. Houghton asked if the RSO would also provide training at all buildings with a yes response. Mr. Richardson inquired on sick days and vacation days – what would be the coverage. Sheriff Retter stated it would be a negotiable topic. Discussion also included what a typical day would look like for a RSO. The floor was opened up for any questions from those guests in attendance. Mr. Joe Sorrell asked if Sheriff Retter thought the softest target of concern would be at the beginning of the school day. Sheriff Retter stated most incidents do tend to occur in the mornings however he had offered suggestions from a previous walk through of the buildings to firm up certain areas and was pleased to see many have been set in motion. No further questions were posed. The board thanked Sheriff Retter for his time and input.

SCHOOL BOARD GROWS @ THE CREEK

Dr. Doering mentioned the NCCTA Red for Ed event earlier that day and turned the floor over to Mrs. Locke and Mrs. Isaacs for brief overview of the event and participation.

SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Hokey shared current activities at the elementary building including a variety show and literacy night (Title 1 sponsored); upcoming testing; discussions for next school year with teachers and staff. She thanked the NCCTA for including and participating in the Red in Ed.

Mr. Tyner also shared his thanks to the NCCTA for the Red in Ed project participation. Testing is underway and going well. County track meet held and HHS had many winners in which he named them off to honor. Prom is coming up and will be held at the high school.

Mrs. Swain had shared her curriculum/instruction/assessment update via e-mail with all board members. There were no questions from the board.

Mr. Hillman presented an update for the transportation/buildings and grounds. He is waiting for responses on the door drawings from the State indicating a 6-12 week lead time. He is uncertain as to where the funding will come from to cover the projects and indicated decisions needed to be made. He said he has preliminary pricing on the costs for the modifications for the entrance at the elementary building. He has found some areas of concern for putting laminate glass in the doors. The elementary PTO has ordered new swings for the playground. Getting ready for end of year on busses, new busses were inspected the prior week. Mrs. Houghton asked for an update on the software the transportation department had been testing out. Mr. Hillman stated it was working very well, several communication options and would hopefully be ready to bring recommendation to the board in the near future.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORT

Mrs. Houghton thanked the association for the Red for Ed event and the commitment to public education. Would like to have the board consider scheduling a work session to answer questions regarding a five-year goal/plan. Understand this year is almost over however we should be working on a plan – just a consideration to make this an agenda item sometime soon.

Mr. Rhoades acknowledged the passing of Mrs. Tabor. Appreciated the invitation to participate in the Red for Ed event.

OLD BUSINESS

Principals both shared updates on e-Learning. Mrs. Hokey asked if the Board members would like any additional information and if so she would be happy to provide. Both buildings are prepared to move forward. Mr. Lieberman asked if the Principals were planning to do a pilot test – Mrs. Hokey indicated yes-possibly next year. Steps are in motion to have parental informational sessions to educate and allow for questions and answers from the parents.

Dr. Doering moved on to discuss funding. He explained there are basically three buckets to draw from (1) Safety Grant (2) Common School Loans and (3) Emergency Line Fund. Mr. Davis inquired as to where the Emergency Fund is located – Dr. Doering informed it is held in the Operations Fund.

FINANCIAL ITEMS

Richardson/Davis moved to approve April 12, 2019, ECA Payroll Claim totaling \$1,933.33; April 12, 2019 Corporation Payroll Claim totaling \$185,803.76 and Regular Claims #538 through #622 totaling \$537,639.16.

Motion carried 7/0

No monthly Financial Transfer required.

PERSONNEL

Davis/Finney moved to approve the acceptance of the letter of retirement for Dr. William Doering effective June 30, 2019. Mr. Rhoades shared some words of accomplishments Dr. Doering had made throughout his time at Nettle Creek School Corporation and wished him well in his retirement. Dr. Doering thanked everyone for the support and the opportunity he had with his time spent at NCSC. Motion carried 7/0

The request for approval to hire a FFA Sponsor for 2018-2019 school year was requested to be table by Mr. Tyner. Item tabled as requested.

Davis/Lieberman moved to accept approval to hire Kayla Walker as Preschool Classroom Assistant for the remainder of 2018-2019 school year at the rate of \$10.50 per hour not to exceed 29 hours per week. Motion carried 7/0

Houghton/Finney moved to accept the letter of resignation from Jennifer Lee as an Instructional Assistant at the Elementary School. Motion carried 7/0

Davis/Finney moved to accept approval to hire Hailey Houghton as an Instructional Assistant at the Elementary School at the rate of \$10.50 per hour not to exceed 29 hours per week. Motion carried 6/0/1 (Houghton)

INSTRUCTIONAL OTHER ITEMS

No other instructional items for discussion.

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Clark/Davis moved to accept approval for the use of the Elementary gym, restrooms, and music room by the Nettle Creek players as listed on the School Facilities Rental Applicant and Agreement Form with fees waived. Mrs. Houghton shared public concerns from previous incidents though handled and resolved felt it merited discussion prior to taking action. She fully supports the group. Dr. Doering indicated the group has had a long standing relationship with the school with the group helping in many areas, lending equipment, lighting, etc., have held actor workshops and have been generous with their time with NCSC. Mr. Finney asked approximately how many students they have involved in their workshops. Dr. Doering indicated he was working with Mr. Hillman on an addendum to the agreements to include additional verbiage on the lines the agreement may be cancelled at any time. Mrs. Houghton reiterated her support of the group and wanted to make sure that they are made aware of this information. Motion carried 7/0

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Next Regular Board Meeting set for Wednesday May 8, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. Elementary Library. Mr. Rhoades addressed the board members that if they planned to attend the Regional meeting to let Mrs. Bennett know so reservations could be made.

There being no other items before the board, Davis/Houghton moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting and moved to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:06 P.M.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

7/0

Signed _____

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in executive session on April 24, 2019. The meeting was conducted in the administration office.

The following board members and administrative staff were in attendance: Bob Clark, Dan Davis, Lyle Finney, Marcie Houghton, Shaun Lieberman, Cary Rhoades, Eric Richardson, and Dr. 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 10:17 PM.

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