

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met for a Public Hearing and Board Meeting on September 8, 2021 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room. All in attendance practiced social distancing guidelines.

The following board members were present: David Moore, Sandra Schraub, Julie Blaase, Dan Davis, Shaun Lieberman and Marcie Houghton. Cody Sankey attended virtually.

Guests present were: Emily Schaeffer, Drew Cooper, Rachel Sheeley, Josh Hallatt, Tiffani Hokey, Misty Tinkle, Kendra Sanders, William Miller, Hailey Houghton, Hayden Arnold, Christy Arnold, and Jennifer Bowman.

### **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

Blaase/Lieberman moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from August 11, 2021 and the Emergency Board Meeting from August 20, 2021 Motion carried 7/0.

### **FINANCIAL ITEMS**

Blaase/Moore moved to approve Payroll claims totaling \$446,361.89 and Vendor claims totaling \$1,384,963.53. Motion carried 7/0.

### **2022 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING**

The 2022 budget is similar to the 2021 budget with some adjustments. There is a new requirement that we have to spend 45% of state tuition for teacher salaries. These are teachers who are in the classroom at least 50% of the time. This excludes counselors. No public comment.

### **2022 BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN PUBLIC HEARING**

Next year we will replace two busses. This year we purchased one new bus and one used bus. No public comment.

### **2022 CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN PUBLIC HEARING**

The big financial item is updating our financial system. We are currently on a waiting list. It will be another year or so before we are able to update to a web-based version. No public comment.

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Mrs. Hokey is excited to welcome Allison Ullery back to Hagerstown as the Success Coach. Mrs. Hokey has implemented a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade pull out group to assist kids with reading. Mrs. Neuman, Instructional Assistant, is assisting these students. Mrs. Hokey has already noticed huge progress within these students and is excited to see them progress throughout the year.

Mr. Hallatt stated mid-terms went home with students. The number of students quarantined has decreased quite a bit and is excited to see the kids back in the classrooms. Athletics have resumed. Mr. Hallatt informed the Board of homecoming festivities are next week. Mr. Hallatt also wanted the Board to keep a student in their thoughts as she has been hospitalized due to COVID complications.

Dr. Barrentine stated they held a public meeting to officially kick off the 2021-2022 contract negotiations. Mr. Cooper and Dr. Barrentine opened sealed bids for the bleacher project. They will visit two of the four options in person. This will take place after the basketball season as they will need 6 to 8 weeks to complete the replacement.

Dr. Barrentine received a call from a colleague with the Study counsel at Ball State. They had some music equipment they wanted to donate. Dr. Barrentine was expecting it to be garage sale quality. He went to pick up the items and they were like brand new. It consisted of 7 electric guitars and some amps. Mr. Sloniker has received the items and is very thankful for this donation. He plans to have a rock n roll band for a couple of the basketball games.

Dr. Barrentine stated that as of August 20<sup>th</sup>, we had 8 positive cases among students. So far, we've had 94 students that have tested positive for COVID. 72 of those students have returned to school. Dr. Barrentine has noticed a decreased in the numbers this week and that the quarantine numbers are way down from what they were this time last week.

Mr. Davis thanked those of the community that attended the meeting. He is humbled to see how the community has reacted to everything. He believes that is due to open lines of communication.

**PERSONEL ITEMS**

Schraub/Blaase moved to approve the following personnel items:

Natalie Williamson	Jumpstart Summer School	\$26.45/hr (40 hours)
Hannah Rogers	Jumpstart Summer School	\$25.41/hr (40 hours)
Hayley Charles	Data Specialist	\$15.27/hr (220 days)
Janet Halcomb	HS Administrative Assistant	Increase from 29 to 35 hours/week
Allison Ullery	HES Success Coach	\$11.35/hr
Kayden Matthews	Technology Assistant	\$15.30/hr (260 days)
Kelsey Shepherd	Bus Driver/Custodian/IA	\$14.50/hr (260 days)
McCartney Locke	Afterschool Daycare	\$8.00/hr (student rate)
Lance Lumpkin	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball	\$1,245.27
Mark Doerstler	Freshman Boys Basketball	\$2,672.85
Pat Allred	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball	\$1,245.27

Stacie Huffine resignation as Technology Secretary  
 Lance Lumpkin resignation as 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball  
 Mark Doerstler resignation as 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball  
 Paul Stonerock resignation as Bus Driver  
 Chrissy Blair resignation as HHS Instructional Assistant

Motion carried 7/0.

**2021-2022 CENTERSTONE AGREEMENT**

Lieberman/Blaase moved to approve the Centerstone agreement. Motion carried 7/0.

**2021-2022 TEACHER APPRECIATION GRANT POLICY**

Houghton/Moore moved to approve the Teacher Appreciation Grant Policy for 2021-2022. Motion carried 7/0.

**OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

The next Board meeting will be October 13, 2021 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room at 6:30 pm.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

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