

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in regular session on March 15, 2023 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room.

The following board members were present: Sandi Schraub, Shaun Lieberman, Dan Davis and Julie Blaase..

Guests present were: Josh Hallatt, Elizabeth Bryant, Tiffani Hokey, Glen Meek and Abbey Payne.

CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order by Mr. Davis at 6:31 p.m. at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room.

Mrs. Schaeffer certified compliance with the open meeting law.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lieberman/Schraub moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes on February 8, 2023. Motion carried 4/0.

FINANCIAL ITEMS

Schraub/Blaase moved to approve payroll totaling \$543,294.09 and vendor claims totaling \$1,465,658.55. Motion carried 4/0.

SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Hokey shared that the PTO Carnival is back. It will be Friday, March 17th from 6 pm to 8 pm. Third graders have completed the iREAD test. Results are back. Any student who did not pass will be remediated and will re-take the test at the end of the school year. iLEARN is coming up in about a month. Teachers and students are working hard preparing for this test. There will be a Preschool open house Tuesday, March 21st and Kindergarten Round-up is April 5th.

Mr. Hallatt shared that juniors completed the SAT test. The Jr. Sr. High School also has iLEARN coming up in about a month. Mr. Hallatt attended the iSTAR ceremony where Julie Drake was honored by being elected by Delaney Olier. It was a well-deserved award for Mrs. Drake. End of grading period is Friday with report cards going home next week. Spring Sports is also starting. Mr. Hallatt events everyone to get out and support our students in their events.

Mrs. Schaeffer shared a thank you note from Wayne County Chamber to Dan Davis thanking him for his participation in the Legislative panel and breakfast held last month.

The National NIET Conference will be held in Indianapolis next week. Mrs. Schaeffer stated we are fortunate that the conference is so close and we are able to take the Nettle Creek District Instructional Leadership Team. The team consists of Master and Mentor Teachers, building administrators the Director of Learning and Superintendent. They are looking forward to continuing our investment and growth in instructional leadership.

The Winter Sports Banquet was held this week to celebrate winter student athletes and their coaching staff. It is always great to hear our coaches share their experiences with our students. We appreciate the time and effort of our student athletes and coaching staff this Winter sports season.

The Nettle Creek Tiger Golf Challenger will be held on May 21, 2023 at Hartley Hills. This event is a fundraiser to support the end of year banquet for Nettle Creek Schools Teachers and Staff. Registration is open and limited to 16 teams. The online registration site can be found on the social media pages. The banquet will be held this year on Friday, June 2nd at Willie and Reds. We are working hard to plan a nice evening of appreciation for all of the individuals that make the school year great.

We were finally able to receive two of our school buses that were ordered in 2021. Due to production delays, we have been waiting for the buses for quite some time. We are excited to finally receive possession of the buses and incorporate them into our fleet.

Ms. Blaase shared that the safety committee has students who want to serve on the committee. Mrs. Hobson stated maybe there should be an application process and possible GPA requirement. Ms. Blaase believes the GPA requirement should be left out and the committee should not limit it to students who are in criminal justice classes.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Blaase/Lieberman moved to approve the following personnel items:

Rachel Moore	Substitute Teacher	\$80.00/day
Abbey Payne	Corporation Nurse	\$49,000 (183 days)
Lauren Bane	Substitute Teacher	\$80.00/day

Matt McCormick resignation as a bus driver effective February 14, 2023.

Danielle Rainey resignation as a HJSHS Counselor and Corporation Test Coordinator effective February 14, 2023.

Maria Skomp resignation as Corporation Nurse effective March 10, 2023.

Sarah Benson resignation as a Substitute Teacher.

Motion carried 4/0.

NETTLE CREEK DISCOVERY PRESCHOOL UPDATE

Mrs. Bryant provided the Board with an update on the Discovery Preschool. She shared the following timeline:

August 2021: Discovery Preschool opened. 30 students were enrolled.

August 2022: Opened an additional general education preschool AM class. 39 students were enrolled.

December 2022: Became a licensed center through the Family and Social Services Administration

January 2023: Level One Paths to Quality Rating

February 2023: Awarded Mini Grant from Wayne County Foundation. This grant went to helping families that were making an attempt to pay their tuition. It helped seven families to bring their tuition status to current.

March 2023: Discovery Preschool Family Open House

April 2023: Goal to get PTQ rating Level Two

APPROVAL OF STATE BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA OVERNIGHT TRIP

Lieberman/Blaase moved to approve the overnight trip to Indianapolis. This trip was for one student who qualified to the State Competition. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF A DONATION FROM THE NETTLE CREEK EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND, WAYNE CO.

Blaase/Lieberman moved to approve the \$1499.45 donation from the Nettle Creek Educational Endowment Fund, Wayne County Foundation. The funds are to be used to provide support for education purposes. They ask that we report back on how the money was spent. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVE FO A DONATION FROM DAVID MOORE

Schraub/Blaase moved to approve the \$2000 donation from David Moore. This donation is to be used towards the purchase of a John Deere Gator to be used by our athletic and maintenance departments. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF AN OUT-OF-STATE BAND FIELD TRIP

Blaase/Schraub moved to approve the out-of-state band field trip to Kings Island and Loveland Middle School on April 22, 2023. The 6th through 12th grade band members will compete and visit the amusement park. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF THE EUROPE TRIP THROUGH EF-TOURS

Lieberman/Schraub moved to approve the Europe Trip through EF Tours. This trip would take place in the Summer of 2024. The trip will be open to high school juniors and seniors, as well as adults. The trip would include Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF THE ADVERTISING AGREEMENT FOR HJSHS BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

Blaase/Schraub moved to approve the advertising agreement. This agreement is with Reid Health. Reid Health is going to donate \$15,000 over three years towards the cost of replacing the scoreboard. As part of the agreement, Reid Health will have advertising rights for ten years. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVED OF THE SUMMER SCHOOL 2023 PROPOSAL

Schraub/Blaase moved to approve the Summer School 2023 proposal. This summer's proposal is identical to what we did last summer with summer school. Motion carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF THE MOU BETWEEN NCSC AND IU EAST FOR COLLEGE NOW

Blaase/Lieberman moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Nettle Creek Schools and Indiana University East for the College Now offering. This allows juniors and seniors who meet the academic qualifications to take up to two college credit courses per semester at IU East. Last year was our first year offering this opportunity to students and we had six students participate. This is a renewal of the MOU with IU East. Motion carried 4/0.

OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

The next meeting will be April 12, 2023 at Hagerstown Elementary School LGI Room at 6:30 pm.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

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