

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met in regular session on December 13, 2023 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room.

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

Guests present were: Josh Hallatt, Elizabeth Bryant, Bob Hansen, Tiffani Hokey, Cortney Sizemore, Justin Koby, Dr. Herr and members of the FFA Chapter.

### **CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD MEETING**

The regular session meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order by Mr. Davis at 6:30 p.m. at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room.

Mrs. Schaeffer certified compliance with the open meeting law.

### **APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Blaase/Lieberman moved to approve the Regular board meeting minutes on November 8, 2023 and Executive Session minutes on November 14, 2023. Motion carried 6/0.

### **FINANCIAL ITEMS**

Sankey/Moore moved to approve payroll claims totaling \$1,052,050.74 and vendor claims totaling \$1,132,406.93. Motion carried 6/0.

### **SUPERINTENDENT SPOTLIGHT**

Mrs. Schaeffer recognized Hagerstown Elementary School Instructional Assistant Cortney Sizemore. Recently, Reid Health hosted a health fair for Nettle Creek School Employees before School. Reid Health set up in the HES library. Craig Towns, Manager of Business Partnerships for Reid Health sent a follow-up email highlighting one of our HES employee's. Mr. Town's wrote: "I had the opportunity to observe an employee this morning in the hallway as the students arrived at school. The first person they see is this young lady. She has a smile on her face, she is addressing every single child that comes her way. She is met with hugs, high fives and huge smiles. She made every child feel welcome, loved and appreciated. This is the kind of employee that you wish you could clone. I'm sure you have a facility full of great staff member, but this individual truly stands out. Please share how much we appreciate not what she says to the students, but how she makes them feel. It is truly an honor to see this."

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Mrs. Hokey shared that next week will be the Christmas Programs. December 19<sup>th</sup> will be Kindergarten through second grade and December 20<sup>th</sup> will be third and fourth grade. Both programs will begin at 6 pm. Mrs. Hokey also shared that staff members have been out for professional development. Each one has brought back nothing but positive feedback and already implementing things in the classroom. Mrs. Hokey also wanted to thank Amber Rushton for her patience, kindness and being informative while Amber transitions into the Business Manager role.

Mr. Hallatt shared that finals will be next week. He congratulated the BPA team members that competed at the district competition. All five individuals qualified for State. The Special Education teachers are continuing their training and improving their systems.

Mrs. Schaeffer shared that her and Mrs. Bryant attended the Community in Schools fall event. They recognized each site coordinator. It was a wonderful community representation. Mrs. Schaeffer stated we have invested in a lot of Professional Development for staff and it has been nothing but positive feedback when staff members return.

Mrs. Blaase stated she enjoys seeing graduates flourish after high school. She is referring to Jessica Swimm who is excelling not only in her academics at IUE but also her volleyball career. Mrs. Blaase also thanked Ms. Sizemore for everything she does for the students.

### **HAGERSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL FFA CHAPTER PROGRAM UPDATE**

Hagerstown High School FFA Members provided an update on what they have been working on and learned while at the State Convention held in Indianapolis.

## PERSONNEL ITEMS

Sankey/Blaase moved to approve the following personnel items:

Haden Dickerson	Long-term Sub	\$18.54/hr.
Kasey Crabtree	On-Call Substitute	\$80.00/day
Allison Ullery	HJSHS Inst. Asst.	\$14.03/hr. up to 15 hrs./wk
Samantha Stainbrook	HES Inst. Asst.	\$14.03/hr. up to 29 hrs./wk

David Hines resignation as HJSHS Teacher.  
Fabian Ford resignation as HES Custodian.  
Jamie Edwards resignation as HJSHS Inst. Asst.  
Rachel Moore resignation as HJSHS Inst. Asst.  
Jordan Jessee resignation as Preschool/Daycare Asst.  
Motion carried 6/0.

## APPROVAL OF THE 2024-2025 AND 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDARS

Blaase/Sankey moved to approve the 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 School calendars. There is only one change from the previous year's calendar. The recommended calendars do not have school in session on the Friday before Labor Day. In years previous, students have started the first day of school on a Wednesday. In August of 2024 and 2025 we will start on a Tuesday. This adjustment has been driven by previous year's student and staff attendance on the Friday before Labor Day. The calendars have been discussed with the Nettle Creek Teachers Association and provided to Nettle Creek employees for feedback. Motion carried 6/0.

## EXPULSION APPEAL-CASE #89891500-1

Blaase/Lieberman moved to uphold the expulsion of Case #89891500-1. Motion carried 6/0.

## OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

The next meeting will be January 10, 2024 at Hagerstown Elementary School LGI Room at 6:30 pm.

## ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

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