## **July 2018 Board Meeting Notes**

4e. Financial Reports look good. One note—we still have some bills to come in—the big ones will be staff salary from Turkey Valley and then Special Ed billings. We will likely spend a little more than last year, but below the 3% amount we planned for.

4e. We are wrapping up our hiring. Dr. Updegraff recommends Matt Paulus for high school special ed pending he obtaining suitable licensure. Mrs. Lansing recommends Kyra Ross for 4<sup>th</sup> grade and Jessica Lechtenberg for 1<sup>st</sup> grade, Mr. Schmitt recommends Jeannette Laures as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach, and I recommend Janell Swehla as a route bus driver pending her obtaining suitable licensure.

No Admin reports as it's July and they are off.

6a. We will interview our student board member this month. I have some potential questions for you to use, but you should also bring any you may want to ask as well.

6b. I will have some sample starting points for policies related to the various clubs we have in our district.

6c. Last month we tabled our fees until I could research a few districts around us. After researching area districts, I recommend we go with changing our Book Rental to an Instructional Fee and use the following amounts. K-4 \$50 (ly \$35); 5-8 \$70 (ly \$40); 9-12 \$75 (ly 45) and eliminating the technology fee which was \$50 for 5-12 and \$25 for elementary. The range with area schools our size was \$50 to \$80 at the high school; \$50 to \$75 at the middle school; and \$30 to \$70 for elementary. We are not the highest and not the lowest, so I feel comfortable with these recommendations. This is an overall reduction in fees from last year for parents.

6d. Please bring your IASB legislative priorities with you to the meeting so we can tally up the top 4.

7a. We need to approve the Pay applications for the building project. We have a lot of supplies on hand at this time.

- 7b. We need to approve milk and bread bids for the upcoming year. I will share them at the meeting.
- 7c. We need to appoint Bob as board secretary and treasurer.
- 7d. I recommend we stay with Bank Iowa as our school depository.
- 7e. I recommend we appoint Linda Tiemessen and the building principals as the Level I investigators and the Chief of Police and Sheriff as Level II investigators.
- 7f. I recommend we appoint the chief of police as the city truant officer and the sheriff as the county truant officer.
- 7g. We have a route bus that has become inoperable. It was at K&W since February and they couldn't figure out what was wrong with it. We took it out Wagoner's this past week and they have determined the engine is bad and it needs a new one. The cost for the engine replacement is \$25,000. I will have additional information on the age and mileage of the bus by the time of the meeting; however, I 'm thinking it may not be worth it to repair it and we may want to look at a new one. This will need to be a large bus, so we don't have one we can use.
- 7h. We got back our yearly soil/water testing report from the bus barn. There are still some issues, but at this time they just recommend continued monitoring. In looking at where it was, the test has come a long way.
- 7i. We need to approve the fundraisers for the upcoming year.
- 7j. We need to approve our Athletic Training Agreement with Mercy Medical for the coming year.
- 7k. I am looking at moving the funds for next year's Bond Payment (the amount paid from SAVE) from SAVE to fund 40 the bond payment fund. This way we will always be a year ahead in the payment and then each month transfer 1/12<sup>th</sup> of the next payment from SAVE to the bond

payment account. In this way, we are always a year ahead in the payment and it gives us a more accurate picture of what our SAVE account is. I'm looking for some feedback from the board on this.