

NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING NOTES

4C. Monthly financial reports look very good. We are below last year in the general fund, but I expect that to catch up some as the year progresses. The transfer from PPEL/SAVE will show up on next month's report, so you should be on the lookout for that.

4E. We will need to accept Chuck Stanton's resignation as trapshooting coach.

6. We will have a middle school here to tell us about career week.

9a. We need to approve the pay applications for the building project. We have \$526,706.54 to Cresco Builders; \$16,625 to Schammel Electric, \$373,777.50 to Young Plumbing and Heating, and \$1,232.50 to Terracon.

9b. We also need to approve 3 change orders. The first change order is for \$243,059 for the expansion of the Vocational Agriculture/Industrial Technology Building. This is for the mechanical building, there will be some additional costs from the electrical contractor and you will see some civil engineering site work on Change order 4 for this as well, but it all is within what was raised. The second one is for \$28,521 and includes several items. Finally, the third one is \$64,531 and includes the art window and filling in the football storage window. The biggest part is the site/civil work for the Vo Tech/Ag addition.

9c. We need to approve the food service equipment contracts. We already approved the items, this is just approving the final contracts.

9d. We need to approve the trapshooting co-coaches. This is in new business as one of the board members is a co-coach to be approved and this only requires him to abstain from one item instead of all of the consent agenda. The co-coaches will be Jay Matthews, Gayle Poncelot, Patrice Schilling, and David Schmidt. Since these are all volunteer coaches and require virtually no resources from the school, we did not advertise for these positions. If someone wants to volunteer to help, I'm sure they will consider all who come forward. I recommend we approve these.

9e. I have been in contact with Great Plays and they would like to lease a part of our downtown building. Specifically, they are looking at the locker room spaces and the current middle school weight room. There are a lot of details to work out, but this would allow us to move forward. I am thinking we would charge them minimal rent or work out some agreement so their cost is near zero for the space. They would be responsible for all renovation costs. After they are up and running, we would cover the utility costs, basic upkeep of the roof and structural items, and facility insurance. They would need to cover their own liability insurance needs, etc. They would use our playground and add an enclosed area for the toddlers. It would also be used year around. Other children cannot be on the playground while their children are outside playing, so we would be required to close the playground at certain times

each day during the summer. They would also be interested in purchasing food from our food service program and using our kitchen in the summer months. If we reach an agreement, we will work with our attorney and auditor to make sure everything is covered to prevent any conflicts in the future. At this time, you are just approving the idea of doing this. If you approve this, they will start having their architect look at the space and creating plans, designs, and estimates on what it will cost to renovate it. They may go through the procedure and find it's too expensive to renovate it.

The main advantage of this is for our parents. They could drop their kids off at daycare at any time before school starts and know the children are right there. The same would apply to after school. They also discussed that with the additional space, they would potentially look at starting more of a structured after school program for more students. Again, a big advantage for our parents. If we can work out an agreement, I don't see a downside to this. You should also be aware that Head Start has also reached out to us about leasing space in our building.

9f. We have a 2008 Dodge Caravan that has 195,317 miles on it. We used it in the past, to transport students to Decorah. We purchased a Suburban this fall to replace it. It would not pass inspection in its current condition, so we have not used it at all this year and are using the other mini-van to transport students. This vehicle needs new tires, ball joints, and likely front wheel bearings. It may be worth more as a junk vehicle, but I thought we would take sealed bids for it and if the bids are more than junk price we can sell it that way. If not, we can always refuse all bids and junk it.

9g. Our Family and Consumer Science instructor, April Schmitt, would like to take her students to Rochester during the high school's upcoming J-Term. She will be doing a project related to other cultures and she would like her students to learn more about Greek Culture. She plans to visit a Greek Restaurant and Greek Orthodox church during the visit. Since this is an out of state trip, it requires your approval.

9h. We need to approve snow removal bids. It looks like we may be a few days late. They are very close with the major differences being between the end loader bid and the end loader and dump truck bid. In visiting with Bob nearly the only time we use the end loader is when we are loading a dump truck to remove snow from an area. It's unlikely we would ever use just an end loader. With that in mind, I recommend Lentz Excavating as the pick up with snow blade is the same, but the end loader and dump truck is less.

9i. Please see the attached list of mid-year graduates.