Board Proceedings

The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in regular session, Monday, July 17, 2023, in the High School Media Center. Vice President Denner called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with Directors Ayers, A. Schwickerath, N. Schwickerath, Superintendent Jurrens, and Board Secretary Roethler present. Director Matthews was absent.

Director A. Schwickerath moved to approve the agenda. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the consent agenda. Approve minutes of the June 19, 2023, regular session. Approve the June monthly financial report and the July 2023 bill listing. Approve the following resignations: Paula Gorres and Juana Para (Elementary Para-Educator), Bill Boyd (Middle School Para-Educator), Susie Troyna (High School Para-Educator), Mary Jo Parson (Food Service), Dan Haggerty (Custodian) and Spencer Schmitz (Academic Interventionist). Approve the following hires for the 2023-24 school year: Ashley Lester (Academic Interventionist), Emily Sanford (part-time 3^{-year-old} Preschool Teacher), Austin Hemesath (Bus Driver). All new hires pending obtaining suitable licensure and passing appropriate background checks. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Old Business:

Director Ayers moved to approve the Second Reading Board Policies Second reading board policies 402.05, 503.07, 503.07E1, 503.07E2, 605.1, 605.1-R-1, 605.2, 605.3, 605.3-R-1, 605.3-E5, 605.5, 605.7-R1. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the Transportation Director contract in the amount of \$15,000 with the addition of paying director should be compensated sub pay in the amount of \$30 for each additional route trip after 10. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: Ayers.

New Business:

Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the milk and bread bids. Director Ayers moved to accept the milk bid from Anderson & Erickson. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the bread bid from Pan of Gold. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director A. Schwickerath moved to approve First Citizens Bank as the district's depository with a limit of Ten Million. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to appoint Christy Roethler as the School Board Secretary/Treasurer for the FY2024 school year. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Vice President Denner administered the oath of office.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to appoint Linda Tiemessen and Building Principals the level 1 investigators and the Chief of Police and Sheriff as Level 2 investigator. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director A. Schwickerath moved to appoint the Chief of Police as the city truant officer and the Sheriff as the county truant officer. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Ayers moved to approve increasing substitute teacher pay to \$150.00 per day. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the following high school activity fund raisers for the 2023-2024 school year. Cross Country (5K Race), Football (Camp, and Saver Card Sale), Volleyball (Camp & Fan Apparel Sale with Youth Volleyball Club), Girls' Basketball (Camp & Food Salel), Boys' Basketball (Camp & Event Workers for NH Park & Recreation Tournaments), Wrestling (Raffle with Youth Wrestling Club and Fan Apparel Sale), Girl's Track (Fan Apparel Sale and T & F Camp), Boy's Track (Fan Apparel Sale), Girls Golf (Fan Apparel Sale), Boys Golf (Fan Apparel Sale), Trapshooting (RADA Cutlery Sale, Trailer Advertising, Battery sale), Baseball (Fan Apparel Sale), Softball (Fan Apparel Sale), Music (Frozen Food Sale, Coffee & Hot Chocolate, Fruit and Food Sale), FFA (Fruit and Food Sale and Can Drive), Sophomore Class (Magazine Sale/ Sweet Corn), Student Senate (Homecoming Shirts (switches yearly w/Letterman's), Dance (Butter Braid Sale, 59 Minute Fundraiser), Cheerleading (Cookie Dough), Lettermen's (Meat Sales, and Annual Lift-a-Thon). Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens presented information on electronic time clock options. Director A. Schwickerath moved to approve a Fouryear contract with Frontline in the amount of \$24,891.76 using ESSER Funds to purchase this. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the facility contract between the district and Little Sprouts Daycare. After discussion this item was tabled till the August meeting.

Director Ayers moved to approve the renewal of PowerSchool Access Agreement renewal with Grant Wood AEA. This is the software used by teachers and the district to keep track of our student information including grades, discipline, etc. The cost is \$12,182.98. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Ayers moved to approve the renewal of Schoology an online platform used by teachers to deliver and collect materials to and from students for their classwork. The cost for this is \$6,564.30 using ESSER Funds. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director A. Schwickerath moved to approve the purchase of a 3-year license agreement for Achieve3000 Software. This is an intervention program that will be used by the Middle School to help with literacy instruction. The amount of this program is \$26,516.40 and will be purchased using ESSER Funds. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the Renaissance Renewal in the amount of \$1,982 using ESSER Funds. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director A. Schwickerath moved to approve the following Activity Account Transfers: 1. From: Drama \$6,337.67 a. TO: Speech \$179.30 2. From: MS Music (\$2,199.84) a. TO: MS Vocal Music \$455.69 3. From: Athletic Towels (\$7,210.92 a. TO: Soccer Camp \$888.60 b. TO: Dance \$1,466.38 c. TO: General Athletics \$4,855 4. From: Student Senate Vending (Concession Stand \$17,789.02) a. TO: General Athletics \$5,000 Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve using \$7,300 from PPEL Funds to help offset the costs of the High Tunnel. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens presented the change orders for the parking lot. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the Parking lot change orders. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Ayers moved to approve the pay application for the parking lot in the amount of \$114,391.43 to Wicks Construction, Inc. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Ayers moved to approve the superintendent's contract for the FY23 school year with an increase of 5.1% on salary. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ayers A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

The Board discussed the IASB Legislative Priorities. Following discussion of the various resolutions, the Board moved to endorse the following resolutions: 1: Student Achievement, 4: English Learners, 7: Mental Health & 8: Special Education.

1. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT Iowa students benefit from rigorous content standards and benchmarks that reflect the real-world knowledge and skills students need to graduate from high school prepared for college, trade school, military service, or to enter the workforce. We support state policies to:

- Provide technical assistance for school districts to fully implement the Iowa Content Standards which define what students should know and be able to do in math, science, literacy, social studies, and 21st century skills.

- Ensure research-based professional development that provides educators with training, support, and time to work together.
- Support intensive, high-quality tutoring to improve student literacy and math proficiency.
- Continue evidenced-based literacy materials to help improve student achievement.
- Expand programming for career and technical education and apprenticeships.
- Ensure assessments are aligned to high expectations, improve, and align instruction, and quality professional development.
- Support curriculum decisions that are made by locally elected school boards.

- Allow a consideration process that engages stakeholders, the Department of Education, and the state board of education in new graduation requirements.

- Provide full access to technology and online learning through Infrastructure investments, including:
- Provide incentives to expand service with a priority on those areas with access to the slowest speeds.
- Guarantee minimum download and upload speeds as a condition to receive grant funding or other financial incentives.

4. ENGLISH LEARNERS

The demographics of Iowa students are ever-changing, and an increasing number of our students do not speak English as a first language. We support state policies that ensure success for these students with the expansion of programming for English-learners (EL) until the students reach proficiency.

7. MENTAL HEALTH

Student mental health issues are increasing and impacting student achievement. To address these concerns, we support state policies that would establish comprehensive school and community mental health systems to offer preventative and treatment services to: - Increase access to in-school and telehealth services.

- Increase access to mental health professionals via in-person or telehealth visits.

- Improve awareness and understanding of child emotional and mental health needs through ongoing teacher, administrator, and support staff training.

- Integrate suicide prevention and coping skills into existing curriculum.

- Support the mental health needs of educators and staff.

- Provide a comprehensive mental health resources clearinghouse for schools and community providers.

- Expand training that includes a referral plan for continuing action provided by mental health professionals outside of the school district.

- Designate a categorical funding stream for mental health professionals serving students and ongoing teacher, administrator, and support staff mental health training.

- Support development of a mental health workforce to provide services to children.

8. SPECIAL EDUCATION

All students deserve a world-class education, regardless of disability. To ensure the success of students receiving special education services, we support policies that will:

- Ensure predictable and timely state funding that is reflective of the actual cost and needs of these students, including educational programming and healthcare.

- Support federal funding that covers 40% of the cost of educating students receiving special education services through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

- Modernize and fully fund IDEA by emphasizing improved outcomes for students with disabilities.

The next regular board meeting will be August 21, 2023, at 6:30 pm.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to adjourn at 7:25 pm. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, A. Schwickerath, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Monthly Bills July 2023 General Fund (10)							
Able Net Inc.	75.00	NHMU Fiber	300.00				
Aegerter, Lisa	100.00	Panorama Education Inc.	3,040.00				
Amazon Capital Services	12,715.34	Phillips Refrigeration	94.76				
CAM Community School District	5,219.16	Pitney Bowes Inc	240.00				
Chemsearch	7,634.26	PowerSchool Group LLC	6,564.30				
City of New Hampton	12,759.22	Rieman Music, Inc	196.37				
Five Star Cooperative	1,564.89	Rural School Advocates of Iowa	750.00				
Frontline Technologies Group, LLC	5,626.70	School Administrators of Iowa	4,303.00				
Hanawalt & Son Lumber	160.00	School Nurse Supply, Inc.	107.75				
Howard Winneshiek Comm School	619.74	School Specialty, LLC	2,818.98				
Hulbert, Shawn	100.00	Schueth Ace Hardware	5.72				
Iowa Assoc.of School Boards	4,407.00	Schumacher Elevator Company	3,999.74				
Iowa Assoc.of School Business Officials	250.00	Stalker Sports Floors	5,675.00				
Iowa Department of Human Services	27,194.25	Teachers Pay Teachers	6.00				
Iowa Testing Program	2,834.00	thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation	174.93				
ISFIS, Inc.	1,607.97	Timberline Billing Service LLC	4,651.04				
Jendro Sanitation Services Inc	1,252.28	Tripoli Community School District	137.14				
Junior Library Guild	323.75	Turkey Valley Community School	174.54				
Kwik Star	633.97	Weber Paper Company	9,029.74				
Madison National Life Insurance	35.22	Windstream	1,745.93				
Mosyle Corporation	3,877.50	Winters, Angela	40.01				
New Hampton Tribune	670.64						
		Fund Total:	133,715.84				

Physical Plant & Equipment Marco, Inc.		(36) 1,659.46	Capital Projects Align Architecture & Planning, PLC	(33) 1,220.00
		\$		
	Fund Total:	1,659.46	Babcock Services	3,578.40
			CDW Government, Inc.	2,817.80

Management	(22)	Northern Cedar Service	74,740.00
Community Insurance of Iowa	387,909.26	Schoolboardnet.llc	2,360.00
EMC Insurance Companies	300.89	Software Unlimited, Inc.	9,950.00
Iowa LGRP	143,833.70	Wicks Construction, Inc	114,391.43

Fund Total: \$532,043.85

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Attest: July 17, 2023

Tim Denner Board Vice-President Christy Roethler Board Secretary

Fund Total: \$209,057.63