

Board Proceedings

The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in regular session, Monday, March 10, 2014 in the High School Media Center. President Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with directors Ewert, Denner, Rosonke, Superintendent Jurrens, and Board Secretary Ayers. Director Baltes was absent.

Director Ewert moved to approve the agenda. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Rosonke, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Director Denner moved to approve the consent agenda items: minutes of the February 10, 2014 regular session the March 2, 2014 work session. Approve the February 2014 monthly financial report and the March 2014 bill listing. Approve Ryan Huffman as the 8th Grade Boys Track Coach, approve Danielle Goodwin as a Star Mentor, and accept the resignations of Megan Fandel (Spanish) and Sheena Hovey (JJV Softball). Ayes: Rosonke, Denner, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Jill Eike thanked the board for supporting the foreign exchange students program.

Three students performed their individual speech contest pieces.

Director Rosonke moved to approve the second reading of Board Policies 604.3 (Program for Talented and Gifted Students), 604.4 (Program for At-Risk Students), 604.5 (Religious-Based Exclusion from A School Program), 604.6 (Instruction at a Post-Secondary Educational Institution), 604.7 (Dual Enrollment), 604.8 (Foreign Students), 604.9 (Virtual Online Courses), and 905.4 (Smoke-Free Environment). Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayes: Ewert, Denner, Rosonke, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

After discussion of the qualifications of the Facilities Cost Management Group director Denner moved to approve the contract with Facilities Cost Management Group to design a conceptual drawing of new facilities for the district. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Ewert, Rosonke, Denner, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

After discussion of Board Policies 605 (Instructional Materials), 605.1 (Instructional Materials Selection), 605.1R1 (Selection of Instructional Materials), 605.2 (Instructional Materials Inspection), 605.3 (Objection to Instructional Materials), 605.3E1 (Instructions to the Reconsideration Committee), 605.3E2 (Reconsideration of Instructional Materials), 605.3E3 (Sample Letter to Individual Challenging Instructional Materials), and 605.3R1 (Reconsideration of Instructional Materials Regulation) director Denner moved to approve the first reading. Director Ewert seconded the motion. Ayes: Ewert, Denner, Rosonke, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens recommended David Prehm, Al Lindaman, Linda Burgart, Scott Hogeland and Shelly Mohling for the early retirement program. The policy was available to any certified staff that had ten years of service to the District. Superintendent Jurrens reported that the early retirement would be funded from the management fund and it would cost eight cents per thousand dollars of evaluation. Director Ewert moved to approve the early retirement of those that had applied. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Rosonke, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

David Gauss, from Iowa School Finance Information Services, presented enrollment projection information. Gauss explained that the New Hampton Community School District's certified enrollment projection study was developed to support the administration and school board with long term planning, while focusing on students and the impact that enrollment trends will have on the district. The report includes the following central forecasts. By 2020, the school district is projected to have a certified enrollment of 966 students, a decrease of 10 students compared to the 2014 certified enrollment. The district's budget is driven primarily by enrollment. Gauss explained that open enrollment affects our student to teacher ratios and staffing requirements. There are many factors that play a role in projecting a district's enrollment. This study begins with your population that is of the childbearing age. Forecasting the childbearing population is required to project the live birth rate per county, which is then apportioned for your district. By 2020 your district will reach a projected 71 live births annually, a decrease of 12.5% compared to 2014. The annual live birth rate drives your school district's population under the age of five. This is an early indicator that your district may need to plan for changing class sizes. Housing Units for the school district are projected to increase by 7 units to 2,883 by 2020. Housing units tend to change overtime in reaction to employment and economic activity. Understanding these trends will inform the board's work with other stakeholders to anticipate economic factors that ultimately impact enrollment specifically and your communities generally. While housing units are an indicator of economic condition, employment is the driving factor. Your district's employment is projected to increase by 62 positions to 2,968 persons by 2020. From 2014 through 2020 your district's certified enrollment is projected to fall to 966 students, a decrease of 10 students compared to 2014. This is good news for the district.

Tammy Robinson presented information on the Skilled Iowa Program. The Skilled Iowa Program is a program where any of our students who would like to receive a National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) stating they are workplace ready, may do so at no cost to the student or the district. Skilled Iowa Program is aimed at students who plan to enter the work force

after high school or sometime within two years of high school. It is sponsored by Iowa Workforce Development with the goal of increasing the skill levels of Iowa's Workforce. The Skilled Iowa Program could help with the goal of turning New Hampton into a Skilled Iowa Community. After discussion director Denner moved to participate in the Skilled Iowa Program. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Ewert, Rosonke, Denner, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens reported New Hampton Schools were not a recipient of the Teacher Leadership and Compensation Plan. The District scored 67 points on the application and a score of 71 was the cut-off to be considered for participation.

Superintendent Jurrens presented the three bids for asbestos removal in the high school. Advanced Environmental was the low bidder at \$12,380.00. Jurrens recommended the board accept this bid. Director Ewert moved to accept the bid of Advanced Environmental for \$12,388.00 for removal of tile and asbestos at the high school. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Rosonke, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Mary Frese presented the District's Technology Plan. After the presentation director Denner moved to approve the technology plan. Director Ewert seconded the motion. Ayes: Rosonke, Ewert, Denner, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens reported that there may be some opportunities to do some sharing with the Turkey Valley School District. Jurrens recommended the board send a letter to the Turkey Valley board of education asking for a joint board meeting where the districts could discuss sharing opportunities that would benefit both districts. After discussion director Denner moved to send letter to Turkey Valley requesting the meeting. Director Ewert seconded the motion. Ayes: Rosonke, Ewert, Denner, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Dr. Updegraff, high school principal, presented information on the music trip that the high school band members will take this spring to Chicago. Director Rosonke moved to approve the music trip to Chicago. Director Ewert seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ewert, Rosonke, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Director Ewert moved to approve the agreement with the University of Northern Iowa for placing student teachers and also students doing observations. Director Rosonke seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Rosonke, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens presented the 2014-2015 budget. After discussion, Jurrens informed the board that a public hearing will be scheduled for the April board meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 14, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

Director Rosonke moved to adjourn at 8:46 pm. Director Ewert seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, Ewert, Rosonke, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

**Monthly Bills
March 2014
General Fund (10)**

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Advanced Systems	446.99	Mick Gage Plumbing	259.10
Ag-Land Implement, Inc.	749.40	MNJ Technologies Direct, INC.	628.35
Allen Occupational Health Services	39.00	MobyMax	158.00
Amazon	2,022.33	Mohawk Electric	75.25
Apperson Education Headquarters	159.00	Nashua-Plainfield Comm School	4,768.20
Area Education Agency 267	10.00	National Elev. Insp.Svc., Inc	174.00
Black Hills Energy	15,033.78	National FFA Foundation	100.00
Brown & Saenger	71.16	New Hampton Auto Body	753.00
Cannon, Sherry	27.90	New Hampton Electric	681.85
Chickasaw Wellness Complex	500.00	New Hampton Tribune	161.11
Circle K Communications	73.19	Northeast Iowa Comm. College	18,200.64
City of New Hampton	7,961.97	Office World	2,246.90
Decorah Community School District	9,540.00	Pete, Heidi	819.00
Denver Community School	1,855.02	Plank Road Publishing	158.26
Des Moines Stamp Mfg.	94.80	Principal Life Insurance	1,105.71
Fandel, Megan	105.30	Ricoh USA, INC	930.15
Fareway	84.88	Rieman Music, Inc	637.84
Five Star Cooperative	10,211.78	Riley's Inc.	540.63
Follett Library Resources	59.66	Rodriguez, Paola	40.00
Geerts Plumbing & Heating	535.74	Sandy's Sign Shop	930.00
Gilbert Towing & Radiator	445.00	School Specialty	66.57
Global Equipment Company	2,767.53	Schueth Ace Hardware	440.73
Grey House Publishing	207.50	Seery Telecommunications	80.00
Haan Crafts, LLC	15.15	Shopko	229.99
Herff Jones, Inc.	1,006.47	Solidoodle	1,699.70

Hometown TV & Appl.	150.00	South Winneshiek Comm. School	1,500.25
Howard Winneshiek Comm School	10,738.27	Stanton Electric	158.00
Iowa Assoc. of School Boards	1,965.00	Steve Smith Snow Removal	6,075.00
Iowa Assoc. of School Bus.Off.	178.00	Swisher & Cohrt, P.L.C.	958.30
Iowa Communications Network	434.24	Teacher's Discovery	12.72
iParadigms, LLC	1,250.00	Turkey Valley Community School	13,502.25
Jendro Sanitation Services Inc	776.00	United States Cellular	80.26
John Deere Financial	77.93	United Parcel Service	38.52
Jurrens, Jay	94.34	Updegraff, Sarah	45.24
K & W Motors	10,397.57	Vern Laures Chev-Buick	191.99
Kepharts Music Center	115.38	Visa	297.98
Key Carwash, Inc.	100.00	Wagoner Bros. Repair	4,325.67
L & R Manufacturing, LLC	171.60	West Des Moines Marriott	199.36
MARCO	32.60	WEX BANK	434.96
Martin Bros. Distributing	142.70	Windstream	804.31
MB Asbestos Consulting	850.00		
Mercy Medical Center	180.00		
		Fund Total:	146,186.97

Capital Projects (33)

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Amazon	10,870.50
Heartland Technology Solutions	18,734.00
Visa	1,495.00

Fund Total: 31,099.50

Attest: April 14, 2014

Tom Rasmussen
Board President

Bob Ayers
Board Secretary