

MAY BOARD NOTES

4a. April financials look good. With only two months to go we remain in a good position financially. This is primarily because of our sharing with Turkey Valley.

4e. We have resignations from Janelle Swehla as a bus driver, Caleb Ciaverelli as freshmen volleyball coach pending finding a suitable replacement, Jordan Richards as high school math instructor. Chris Paulus to transfer from 3rd grade to High School Special Ed. I anticipate an additional resignation and several appointments by the time of the board meeting.

8a. We need to approve the 2017-2018 audit report. I will have some information to share with you on it.

9a. The CTE department will be presenting what's going on in their department.

9b. We need to approve the pay apps for the project--\$279,585 for Young P&H; \$311,988.55 for Cresco Building Services; \$60,278 for Schammel Electric

9c. We need to approve the change order for the cafeteria walls to meet the Local Fire Marshal's requirements. The original plans were approved by the state fire marshal's office, but the local inspector wouldn't approve it. The net cost is \$15,742

9d. We need to approve the scoreboards and sound system purchase for the new gym. I will start with the sound system. We have two bids. One from DB Acoustics that is a traditional system with speakers spread throughout the joists of the gym. Their bid is \$37,365. The other quote is from Daktronics for a modern single Speaker Location product. We had them bring in a demo for our staff and music department to hear. It was very impressive in the sound quality throughout the gym. If you've been to Waukon, they have this system in their gym. With two extra microphones this will cost \$18,064. Considerably less than the other bid. Moving on to the scoreboards, Daktronics is who we have everything else with, so we would like to stay the same. In addition, this will include clocks in the locker rooms that are synced with the play clocks. We have only one bid, but Mr. Schmitt has done some considerable fundraising for these, hence the booster club signage under one of them and the banks under the other. The booster club has committed \$20,000, each of the banks \$5,000, and Roger Stansberry \$5,000 for a scorer's table. After we consider the sponsors, Mr. Schmitt has obtained, we are looking at the scoreboards and sound system to cost the district under \$30,000—including the sound system.

9e. We need to approve the purchase of the volleyball nets and standards for the new gym. I will have the quote amount by the time of the board meeting.

9f. We need to approve the intercom system for the new building. We have two quotes. One from CEC for \$119,669.96 for both buildings (Items 9f and 9g) and one from DB Acoustics for \$31,450 for the high school and \$37,250 for the new

building. This works out to \$68,700 for both buildings. With that I recommend we go with DB Acoustics for both buildings.

9g. See the notes for 9f. our vendors believe it was struck by lightning and hasn't worked correctly since that time. We are looking to replace as the intercom is old enough that parts are not available.

9h. We didn't plan to do this until our June meeting as we normally purchase after July 1st. With the tariffs on China we have been notified by some of our vendors that prices will likely increase on June 1st. We haven't been given a specific amount but the word "substantial" increase has been used. I had Jeremiah obtain quotes on items we normally purchase each year. Attached are Ipads for the 5th graders and Apple TV's for the new building at \$27,279; cases for Chromebooks and Ipads at \$5,400; and Gumdrop protective cases for Ipads at \$3860.80. I hope to have a quote for Chromebooks, desktop computers for a computer lab, and some projectors and other miscellaneous items.

9i. I have tentatively put a bus purchase on the agenda. We are still waiting for a grant, so we may not do anything this month. We have a handicap bus that is starting to cost more to keep it running than it's worth.

9j. We may have some additional furniture purchases to make at board meeting time.

9k. We need to approve the Head Start Agreement. I have had Steve Weidner review it. It's pretty simple. They have to show in kind support for them to receive federal funding, so it's worded the way it is. We will be receiving \$300 per month from them for using the space.

9l. We recoat our gym floors each summer. We have used Stalker floors since they redid them. This way we are sure the chemicals will be compatible. We are looking at \$2,550 for the high school and \$1,750 for the downtown gym.

9m. I visited with my District Leadership team to see if there was any interest in offering voluntary Cancer insurance coverage to our staff members. After reviewing the materials they thought it would be and also suggested voluntary accident insurance as well. There is minimal cost to the district to offer this as the participants would be responsible for all premium costs.

9n. We need to approve our cooperative agreement with Luther college for observations and student teachers.

9o. I am recommending a 2% increase for administrators and other support staff not covered under a union contract.

9p. We've talked about this a lot, now it's time to move forward. April Schmitt has agreed to be shared one more year with Turkey Valley , but would like her contract to be here with New Hampton. This will cost some supplementary weighting but will save some direct costs.

9q. It looks like we may have 44 ELL students next year. That's good as it shows our diverse culture, but it creates some issues for our ELL instructor as that's quite a load. Turkey Valley's ELL instructor has some time that could be purchased from TV. I'm looking for your permission to increase the ELL time from TV. I will likely wait until we get closer to the school start date so we know how much time we need.

9r. We need to set the time for my evaluation. I recommend at the end of the next board meeting. I request it be in closed session