

MAQUOKETA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2019

President Hayward called the regular meeting to order on November 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Office. Directors Sybesma, Carson, Roeder, and Hayward were present. Director Herring was absent. Board Secretary Haxmeier and Superintendent Hoover were present along with M. Vervaecke, A. Bonjour, C. Bonjour, T. Notz, P. Bollman, D. Cogan, D. Selzer, K. Bowman, and T. Gruenwald. Others in attendance: Tom Miller, Terry Creegan, Beth Hillebrand, Jillian Rockwell, Julie Kinrade, Amanda DeWulf, Chloe Swanson, Sara Millhouse, Mary Hayward, Ryan Gruenwald, Jacob Spain, along with several students from Briggs & Cardinal Elementary and their parents.

General Business of the Board

- MOTION #060-19/20: M/Roeder, 2nd/Sybesma to open the public hearing regarding the intent to continue the Instructional Support Levy Program. Motion carried 4-0.
President Hayward opened the floor for public comment at 6:31 p.m. There were no comments made.
- MOTION #061-19/20: M/Carson, 2nd/Sybesma to close the public hearing regarding the intent to continue the Instructional Support Levy Program. Motion carried 4-0.
- MOTION #062-19/20: M/Sybesma, 2nd/Carson to approve the consent agenda as amended to include additional bills. Motion carried 4-0.
Agenda – Approved as published.
Minutes – Approved minutes from the regular meeting held on October 21, 2019.
Registrations, Reimbursements & Selected Accounts Payable – Approved as presented, totaling \$1,220,993.89.
Financial Reports – The following reports for period ending October 31, 2019 were reviewed: Account Balances, Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Revenue Report, General Fund Expenditures Report, Activity Fund, and Nutrition Fund Report.
Resignations:
 - Amanda Machael as Middle School Teacher Associate effective November 15, 2019.
 - Lance Richarson as Sophomore Baseball Coach effective immediately.
 - Gretchen Conway as Special Education Teacher effective December 2, 2019.Recommendations to Hire:
 - Before/After School Program Teacher Associates from October 29 - December 20, 2019 at \$12 per hour:
 - Vanessa Huffman Briggs AM;
 - Natasha Payne-Briggs PM, M,W,TH,F & Cardinal PM, T
 - Trenessa Walker-Briggs PM, M,T,W,F & Cardinal PM, TH
 - Maggie Ward-Briggs PM, T,F
 - Donna Hanken-Briggs PM, T,TH & Cardinal PM, every other Friday
 - Marlene McCloy-Cardinal AM

- Alicia Jaeger-Cardinal PM, M,T,W
 - Kayla Gerardy-Cardinal PM, M,W,TH, every other Friday
 - Vicki Bickford-Cardinal AM
 - After School Program Teachers from October 29 - December 20, 2019 at \$20 per hour:
 - Shelly Kruse-Briggs, M, T, W
 - Becky Benedix-Briggs - TH
 - Matthew Griggs-Cardinal
 - Denny Howell as After School Program Bus Driver from October 29 - December 20, 2019
 - Pat McCloy as the Cardinal Custodian for the 2019-20 school year. Mr. McCloy will be paid \$14.75 per hour for 6 hours per day with starting date pending completion of hiring paperwork.
 - Paul Koob as the Freshman / Sophomore Assistant Football Coach to fulfill the remaining season contract due to the resignation of Aaron Claus. Mr. Koob will be paid for at Level III, Year 3; 55 days x \$43.56 per day = \$2,395.80.
 - Dana Howell as the Briggs Special Education Teacher with an effective start date on November 14, 2019. Ms. Howell will be paid at a MA Step 1; \$23,878.26. Her contract has been prorated based on 126 days.
- Approve fundraisers as presented.

Out of state functions:

- High School Teacher, Julie Brown, to take special education students to the Happy Joe's Christmas Party on December 3 and 4, 2019 in Moline, IL.
- Club Hope Advisor, Mindy Orris, to take students to Chicago to volunteer with Inner City Impact on December 8, 2019.
- Superintendent Hoover, Dustin Cogan, and Justin Hayward to attend Future of Education Technology Conference in Miami, Florida on January 13th - 18th.

Reception of Visitors and Informal Comments from the Public –Andy McKean spoke to the Board about last year's legislative session and provided some insight on the upcoming session.

Spotlight on Education:

High School AmeriCorps Student Leader, Chloe Swanson along with High School Counselors Julie Kinrade and Amanda DeWulf highlighted the work that Chloe was doing. As an AmeriCorp Student Leader, Chloe is supporting students with making their post-secondary plans.

Tara Notz highlighted the great things that are happening in our after school programs at both Cardinal and Briggs. This opportunity has been funded through the 21st Century Learning Grant.

Good News: Reviewed as presented. Middle School Principal Amanda Bonjour and High School Principal Mark Vervaecke also discussed their building goals for the year.

Board Comments: The play was great!

General Business of the Board:

MOTION #063-19/20: M/Roeder, 2nd/Sybesma to approve the branding guide as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION #064-19/20: M/Carson, 2nd/Sybesma to adopt the Resolution to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program Resolution as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried 4-0. Director Hayward-Aye, Director Roeder-Aye, Director Carson – Aye, Director Sybesma - Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION #065-19/20: M/Roeder, 2nd/Carson to approve the quote from C.H. McGuiness Co. Inc. in the amount of \$12,860 to being work to replace tubes to get the 2nd boiler at the High School back into service. Motion carried 4-0.

Legislative Update: None.

Superintendent's Report: Reminders were read, website and social media analytics were reviewed.

MOTION #066-19/20: M/Carson, 2nd/Sybesma to move into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(e)- For the purpose of conducting a hearing pertaining to the possible suspension or expulsion of a student. Roll call vote was taken. Director Hayward-Aye, Director Roeder-Aye, Director Carson – Aye, Director Sybesma - Aye. Motion carried 4-0. The Board moved into closed session at 7:45 p.m.

The Board moved back into open session at 7:54 p.m.

MOTION #067-19/20: M/Roeder, 2nd/Sybesma moved that the Board of Directors of the Maquoketa Community School District suspend the said student until December 16, 2019 and in so doing approve the confidential agreement concerning re-admittance and other related matters reached between the District and the student's parent. A roll call vote was taken. Director Hayward-Aye, Director Roeder-Aye, Director Carson – Aye, Director Sybesma - Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

President Hayward adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Mike Hayward, Board President

Kristy Haxmeier, Board Secretary