

MAQUOKETA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2018

President Hayward called the regular meeting of the Maquoketa School Board to order on January 15, 2018 at 5:32 p.m. at the Central Office. Directors Sybesma, Roeder, Carson, Becker and Hayward were present. Supt. Hoover and Board Secretary Haxmeier were present. Others in attendance: D. Cogan, J. Schmidt, S. Walker, P. Bollman, K. Bowman, M. Vervaecke, M. Wing. Other in attendance: Jessica Willimack. Theresa Hosch from KMAQ and Kelly Gerlach from the Maquoketa Sentinel Press represented the press.

- MOTION #085-17/18: M/Sybesma, 2nd/Carson to approve the following consent agenda as amended to include additional bills: 5 ayes, 0 nays motion carried.
Agenda – Approved as published.
Minutes – Approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 18, 2017.
Financial Reports – The following reports for period ending December 31, 2017 were reviewed: Account Balances, Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Revenue Report, General Fund Expenditures Report, Activity Fund, Nutrition Fund Report, and Quarterly Investment Report.
Registrations, Reimbursements & Selected Accounts Payable – Approved as presented, to include an additional invoice listing, totaling \$509,506.79.
Resignations:
- Elizabeth Kinrade as Cardinal Teacher Associate effective January 16, 2017
- Recommendations to Hire (all pending outcome of criminal background check & BOEE licensure if applicable):
- Courtney Finch as Middle School Teacher Associate for the 17-18 school year. Ms. Finch will be paid \$10.04 (\$9.89 + \$.15 BD stipend) per hour for 6.75 hours per day.
 - Elizabeth Gavin as the Freshman Softball Coach for the 2018 season. Ms. Gavin will be paid at Level III, Year 1, \$2,501.46.
 - Marci Nielsen as High School Science Teacher for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year with an effective date of January 8, 2018. Marci is on Step 1 of the BA Lane for the salary schedule. The contract has been prorated for a total of 97 days, reflecting in a salary of \$16,890.95 (schedule C). She will also receive a TLC minimum salary stipend of \$485.50 (prorated).

Reception of Visitors and Informal Comments from the Public – none.

Spotlight on Education-

High School Principal, Mark Vervaecke and Assistant High School Principal, Kevin Bowman reviewed the multi-tiered system of supports and work being done at the High School. They also discussed the positive progress that has been made on reducing the failure data by grade.

Administrative Reports: Reviewed as presented.

Board Comments – none.

General Business of the Board

- MOTION #086-17/18: M/Roeder, 2nd/Becker to approve the purchase of the in stock 2017 IC CE 65 passenger bus at a cost of \$79,000 less \$1,000 trade in of a 1999 Blue Bird for a total of \$78,000 from Høglund Bus Co., Marshalltown, IA. The district has requested vandal locks be added to this bus and will add an additional \$500 to the cost for grand total

cost of \$78,500. The funding for the bus purchase will come from the Physical Plant and Equipment Fund. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Item Only: Technology Coordinator, Dustin Cogan presented the proposed three-year technology improvement plan for the Maquoketa Community School District. Board action will be sought at the February 2018 meeting.

Legislative Update: Legislature is now in session, the governor has release her proposed budget and has been traveling the state to discuss her plan.

Under the Superintendent Report: Superintendent Chris Hoover thanked the district and the AEA for the opportunity to attend the District Administration Leadership Institute Conference in New Orleans last week.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be Monday, February 12, 2018. We will start with a joint meeting with Andrew Community School District beginning at 5:30 pm at the Central Office and then the regular Maquoketa Community School District meeting will follow.

President Hayward adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Mike Hayward, President

Kristy Haxmeier, Secretary