

MAQUOKETA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 9, 2017

President Hayward called the regular meeting of the Maquoketa School Board to order on October 9, 2017 at 7:12 p.m. at the Central Office. Directors Becker, Sybesma, Roeder, Carson and Hayward were present. Supt. Hoover and Board Secretary Haxmeier were present. Others in attendance: C. Snell, D. Cogan, M. Vervaceke, J. Schmidt, M. Orris, S. Walker, P. Bollman. Nancy Miller, Skott Gent, Colin Whitney, Hannah Ambrosy, Andrew Proshuto, Brooklyn Waller, Xavier Pestana, Max Becker, and Nicole Bickel. Kelly Gerlach of Maquoketa Sentinel Press and Theresa Hosch of KMAQ represented the press.

- MOTION #059-17/18: M/Roeder, 2nd/Sybesma to approve the following consent agenda as amended to include additional bills: 5 ayes, 0 nays motion carried.  
Agenda – Approved as amended.  
Minutes – Approved the minutes of the annual and organizational meetings held on September 18, 2017 and the special meetings held on September 28, 2017.  
Financial Reports – The following reports for period ending September 30, 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 \$465,828.57  
Resignations: Nicole Snyder as the Freshman Softball Coach effective immediately.  
Approved Volunteers: Cali Parochetti and Ann Burns.  
Recommendations to Hire (all pending outcome of criminal background check & BOEE licensure if applicable):
- Connie Breno as a Briggs Special Education Teacher Associate for the 2017-18 school year. Ms. Breno will be paid \$9.89 per hour for 6.5 hours per day with an effective start date to be determined.
- Teacher Horizontal Move
- Sara Nelson has met the appropriate requirements and provided documents to qualify for a horizontal move on the Salary Schedule C for the 2017-18 school year. Sara will move from BA, Step 13 to BA+15, Step 13, \$50,148.56.

Reception of Visitors and Informal Comments from the Public –

Tiffany Mangler updated the Board about a Friends of Maquoketa Baseball group that was organized as a separate entity to fundraise and work towards making some improvements to the baseball facilities. The wish list of projects included leveling the outfield, adding irrigation as well as new fencing. The group has set a goal of \$80,000. There will be a kickoff event and more information coming out in the spring.

Mindy Orris discussed the Club Hope trip to Texas that is being planned over the Thanksgiving Holiday break.

Spotlight on Education-

Matt Andresen represented Lunchtime Solutions in a Q&A session with the Board. He also updated the board on the successes of the program thus far along with some the challenges that they are working through.

Superintendent Hoover and Curriculum Director Jane Schmidt updated the Board on the PLC process and provided an overview of all of components and how they all fit together.

Administrative Reports: Reviewed as presented.

Board Comments – The Board asked all to keep the Fagerland family in your thoughts and reminded everyone at the meeting about the instrumental part this family had in building of the Clinton Community College building constructed

next to the High School, which has greatly expanded the opportunities available for the students of Maquoketa High School.

General Business of the Board

- MOTION #060-17/18: M/Sybesma, 2nd/Becker to approve the School Improvement Advisory Committee membership as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- MOTION #061-17/18: M/Carson, 2nd/Becker to approve the contract as published with the Mississippi Bend AEA for driver's education. Motion carried 5-0.
- MOTION #062-17/18: M/Roeder, 2nd/Carson to approve the Level I and Alternate Level I Investigators as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- MOTION #063-17/18: M/Sybesma, 2nd/Roeder to authorize and allow planning to proceed with the District Health Fair/Wellness Activities to be held in the 2017-18 school year. A maximum budget for the Health Fair was set at \$20,000 with all funding to come from the Health Fund. Motion carried 5-0.
- MOTION #064-17/18: M/Roeder, 2nd/Sybesma to move forward with Skott & Anderson Architects for the planning of the proposed Ag building. Motion carried 4-0. M. Hayward abstained from the vote.

Legislative Update: Director Hayward updated the Board about the preliminary discussions on the proposed legislative priorities.

Under the Superintendent Report: October 2<sup>nd</sup> was the official count date for FY18 certified enrollment but counts are not final until October 15<sup>th</sup> so it is still too early to release but preliminary numbers look to be down. The IASB Convention is November 15-16. The November meeting will start with a Joint meeting with the Delwood Board in Delmar. Superintendent Hoover and Principal Mark Vervaecke have been to a group of neighboring schools touring the CTE facilities as the State of Iowa is pushing for school districts to consider some sort of sharing and/or regional CTE programs due to the lack of teachers and programs across the State.

President Hayward adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

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Mike Hayward, President

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Kristy Haxmeier, Secretary