

SPECIAL MEETING
May 6, 2019

The Board of Education of the Independent School District of West Burlington held a special meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, May 6th, 2019 in the boardroom at 607 Ramsey, West Burlington. Presiding over the meeting was President Crowner with members Hockett, Boughton, Thuleen and Bowen answering roll call.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Hockett to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda – the following were under the consent agenda:

- A. Approve new JH/HS Art Teacher, Craig Fleece (BA, 1* lane 6 yrs. experience, Salary \$439,03, Art Club Sponsor, Class F, 4 yrs. Experience. \$789.625).
- B. Approve new Food Service Worker, Gail Swails (2.5 hrs. per day, 12.5 hrs. weekly, \$11.44 per hour)
- C. Accept resignation of Cindee Reed, Business Education Teacher
- D. Accept resignation of Vern Reed, Student Academic Support Coordinator

President Crowner would like to thank Cindee and Vern Reed for their service.

Motion by Thuleen and seconded by Boughton to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Presentation: Dr. Marang thanked Theresa Kirkman for getting the treats for the board. May is Iowa's board member appreciation month. Dr. Marang presented certificates to the board in recognition of their service. Dr. Marang also gave the board members a list of what makes an effective board member and a rock that says, "focus" to remind the board to focus on improving student achievement as their main goal.

2019-2020 Bread Bid: Patty McPherson presented the bids to the board. Bids are included in the board packet. Tastefully Yours had asked to be included in the bidding process, but didn't return a bid. Bimbo Bakeries returned a bid. Mrs. McPherson recommends we approve the Bimbo Bakery bid. Motion by Hockett and seconded by Boughton to accept the bread bid from Bimbo Bakeries. Motion carried 5-0.

2019-2020 Milk Bid: Patty McPherson presented the bids to the board. Bids are included in the board packet. Anderson Erickson's bid is slightly higher. However, in the bid request Mrs. McPherson asked the bidders to furnish milk straws. Prairie Farms won't supply milk straws and they didn't return a bid on orange juice. Mrs. McPherson talked to the State Nutrition Representative and because Prairie Farms didn't include those items, we can't accept their bid. There is a \$100 difference between the two bids. Mrs. McPherson recommends we approve the Anderson Erickson bid. Motion by Hockett and seconded by Thuleen to accept the milk bid from Anderson Erickson. Motion carried 5-0.

2019 Elementary Summer School Proposal: Theresa Kirkman presented to the board. Program information is included in the board packet. The elementary office has sent letters out to parents and has had a good response. She feels it's important to offer the summer school. Mrs. Kirkman is asking for approval of approximately \$8000 for program costs. Motion by Thuleen and seconded by Hockett to approve the elementary summer school proposal and costs. Motion carried 5-0.

2019 Summer Band Lessons Proposal: Jeremy Henman read a statement to the board from Carmen Lachnitt. The statement is included in the board packet. Mrs. Lachnitt is recommending to higher six teachers, at \$40 per hour for a super lesson which would be one or two days. Mrs. Kirkman feels the super band lesson night will help students new to band, giving them more personal lessons. Motion by Boughton and seconded by Thuleen to approve the summer band lessons proposal and costs. Motion carried 5-0.

Tractor Purchase Quote: Nate Prickett wasn't able to be present to address the board. Mr. Prickett's bid information is included in the board packet. Mr. Prickett recommends purchasing a tractor from T.H.E. Company in Mt. Pleasant for \$16,704. President Crowner told the board the tractor purchase was something that's been planned in the 5-year plan in the upcoming years. However, our current tractor needs replacement now. Funding will come from PPEL. Motion by Hockett and seconded by Boughton to approve the purchase of a new tractor from T.H.E. Company in the amount of \$16,704. Motion carried 5-0.

Bowling Program: Jeff Housel presented to the board. Mr. Housel sent out a survey to students to find out how much interest there would be in a bowling program. Survey information included in the board packet. Fifteen to twenty students have expressed interest in bowling. Mr. Housel has found that interest surveys are approximately 80-85% accurate between kids that express interest & then go out for the sport. A first-year coach salary would be \$3632.28. Fun City rental is \$400 for up to twelve dates.

Member Hockett asked if there was anyone interested in coaching bowling. Mr. Housel told the board he has a couple of people that are interested, but we haven't advertised it.

President Crouner asked when students would practice. Mr. Housel told the board they would practice two to three times a week. The season is before and after winter break. It's the same time as basketball, wrestling, and boys swimming. Bowling wouldn't be something a student could do simultaneously with another winter sport. However, it's a great opportunity for kids that maybe aren't involved in other things. Mr. Housel told the board it was a way to connect more students to the school and anyway you can connect kids to the school is a positive thing.

Mr. Housel told the board the matches start earlier in the day, around 2 PM. We would try to incorporate some Saturdays in the schedule so students are not always being taken out of school to participate. Mr. Housel told the board we might compete against approximately six schools in our area so there may be some travel.

Kids would be responsible to provide their own shoes and bowling balls, the school wouldn't provide those. The total cost is approximately \$4000 and there may be entry fees for tournaments.

The board gave Mr. Housel verbal approval to post the bowling coaching position internally. The bowling program will be officially acted upon at the next board meeting.

McPherson & Jacobson Search Firm/Community and Staff Feedback: Gary McAndrew presented the board with the stakeholder input report. Input report is a part of the board materials. The first part is a summary, then the staff and admin responses followed by the parents and community member's responses. Quite a few people showed up to these meetings and everyone that came was very engaged.

Mr. McAndrew passed out final interview question choices. Questions are a part of the board materials. The board choose questions individually and Mr. McAndrew will select the majority and finalize those questions. Mr. McAndrew provided a current candidate update, we have ten applicants and we still have a week to go. Out of the ten, five are current or former superintendents.

Adjournment: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Hockett to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Date Approved

Secretary

President