

The Newburg United School Board met in regular session December 12, 2017. President Scott Hunsakor called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. Present: Nathan Boll, Taylor Erdmann, Scott Martin, Bryan Pease, and Karlene Wyman. Absent: Karson Schepp. Also present: Supt. Jason Kersten, Elementary/High School Principal Bob Beaudrie and Business Manager Darcy Lamoureux.

Supt. Kersten reported he has an addition to the agenda. New Business item J, Parental Concern.

Boll moved to approve the November 14, 2017 regular school board minutes, seconded by Erdmann.
Roll Call Vote: Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes. MCU

Erdmann moved to approve the Oct. 17th, Nov. 2nd and Nov. 30th 2017 Policy Committee Minutes, seconded by Martin. Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes. MCU

Pease moved to pay \$7,359.74 General Fund Bills, \$2,546.31 Hot Lunch Fund Bills and \$4,964.00 Activity Fund Bills, seconded by Martin.

Roll Call Vote: Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes. MCU

Martin moved to approve the financial reports, seconded by Wyman.

Roll Call Vote: Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes, Pease-yes. MCU

Crosswalk Installation – Supt. Kersten reported the poles and electrical boxes have been installed. Dwight Tolstad is ordering a timer for the lights. Hopefully everything will be installed by our next meeting.

Joint School Board Meeting – The annual joint board meeting with Westhope will be held in Newburg this year. Supt. Kersten will try to schedule it for Jan. 24th at 7 p.m.

Approve Policies on First Reading – Wyman moved to adopt the policies located on Attachment A with the recommended changes listed on the Policy changes Attachment A First Reading, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes. MCU

Approve Policies on Second Reading – BDA (Procedure for Adopting Board Policy) – Boll moved to complete the second reading of Policy BDA, Procedure for Adopting Board Policy. The policy will read as approved during the first reading and will now become the official policy of the district, seconded by Wyman.

Roll Call Vote: Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes. MCU

Approve Policies on Second Reading – BDAA (Contract Supersede Policy & Regulations and BDAB (Savings Clause) - Wyman moved to complete the second reading of Policy BDAA, Contract Supersede Policy & Regulation and Policy BDAB, Savings Clause. These policies will read as approved during the first reading and will now become the official policy of the district, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Hunsakor-yes, Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes. MCU

Staff Social – Will be held February 3rd, 2017 at the Newburg Senior Center and catered by Suzy Q's.

Open Enrollement – Supt. Kersten presented an open enrollment form for a student that moved from the Newburg district into the TGU District and would like to stay at Newburg. Wyman moved to approve, seconded by Erdmann.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Pease-yes, Martin-yes, Wyman-yes, Erdmann-yes, Hunsakor-yes. MCU

Tracie Welk spoke about the instructional coaching she has been conducting at the school.

1st & 2nd Grade Combination Classroom Option for 2018-19 – Discussion was held regarding the possibility of splitting this combination classroom and where students would be housed. Supt. Kersten will get prices on a portable classroom and will ask a couple elementary teachers to present at the next meeting.

Music Trip – The 9th – 12th Grades will be going on a music trip to Minneapolis. Sixteen students and 6 chaperones will be leaving right after the concert on Thursday, Dec. 14th and will return Sunday, Dec. 17th. The Christmas Day of Fun Fundraiser was a huge success for the music department.

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, January 11th at 7:00 am.


Parental Concern – Supt. Kersten reported that he received a parental concern that he will be investigating into and will report back to the board.

Elementary/High School Principal Report: The first of two RTI-B Parties will be held in January or February at the Bottineau Winter Park and in the spring, we will look at going to the Maysa Arena/High Air Ground in Minot. Semester tests are Thursday, January 11th and Friday, January 12th. The semester does not end however until January 12th. The last day of school before the Christmas break is Thursday, December 21st and we will resume on Wednesday, January 3rd. The boys and girls basketball teams will both be practicing over the Christmas break. The only game over break will be the BBB team vs. Rolla at 12:00 at the Minot Dome. We have 9 girls total playing basketball now from grades 9-12 (4 being from Newburg). They are filling JV with JH players on certain nights. When the JH season ends, they will play on JV full time. I will be the JH BBB Coach and will start practices on Thursday, January 4th. We should have around 7 boys out in grade 8. We will field one team and play an 8th grade schedule. We have no 7th grade boys this year. The Music Christmas concert will be Dec. 14th at 6:30pm for PK-12. I have completed the State required Teacher Evaluations due for the 1st Semester. The elementary students have completed the St. Jude's Math-A-Thon and raised \$1,072 surpassing their goal of \$1,000.

Superintendent's Report: Our last day before Christmas break will be Thursday, Dec. 21st and school will resume Wednesday Jan. 3rd. There will be no school on Monday, Jan. 15th to observe Martin Luther King Day. I will be gone on a fishing trip on Jan. 14th – Jan. 17th. The new bus we purchased was delivered on Thursday, Dec. 7th. We received a letter from Dept. of Public Instruction regarding their annual desk audit and we comply. I will be attending a NCEC meeting tomorrow in Minot. Representatives from Minot State University and Dakota College at Bottineau have been here to tour the school. We also discussed some of the recent programs that are being offered at both colleges. Each college asked if we had any needs or concerns that they could address. I would like to present Scott Martin with a certificate for attending the NDSBA New Member Seminar.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.


Darcy Lamoureux, Business Manager


Scott Hunsakor, Board President