

The Newburg United School Board met in regular session April 11, 2019. President Scott Hunsakor called the meeting to order at 7:00 am. Present: Nathan Boll, Jason Blada, TJ Streich and Sommer Zimmer. Absent: Karlene Wyman and Bryan Pease. Also present: Superintendent Jason Kersten and Business Manager Darcy Lamoureux.

Boll moved to approve the March 12, 2019 regular School Board minutes, March 27, 2019 Special Board minutes and the April 5, 2019 Special Board minutes, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Hunsakor – yes, Boll – yes, Blada – yes, Streich – yes, Zimmer – yes. MCU

Streich moved to accept the Financial Reports and pay \$24,174.73 General Fund Bills, \$1,348.50 Building Fund Bills, \$2,604.04 Hot Lunch Fund Bills and \$1,123.84 Activity Fund Bills, seconded by Blada.

Roll Call Vote: Boll – yes, Blada – yes, Streich – yes, Zimmer – yes, Hunsakor – yes. MCU

School Improvement Visitation – Supt. Kersten said we finally received our report from our school visitation. We have a few areas to work on but overall our district did well.

Avera eCare – Supt. Kersten reported our equipment was delivered yesterday and now we can schedule the formal training for this.

Graduation Date – Graduation will be on Sunday, May 26, 2019 at 4:00 pm. Hunsakor volunteered to turn the graduate's tassels.

Math Position – Supt. Kersten reported he received five applications and interviewed four individuals. Supt. Kersten recommended that Jackie Godfree be offered the position. She has taught for 32 years between just 2 school districts. Boll moved to offer a contract to Jackie Godfree, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Blada – yes, Streich – yes, Zimmer – yes, Hunsakor – yes, Boll – yes. MCU

Designate Polling Place - Zimmer moved to designate the Newburg School as the official polling place for the June 11, 2019 election, seconded by Blada.

Roll Call Vote: Streich – yes, Zimmer – yes, Hunsakor – yes, Boll – yes, Blada – yes. MCU

Golf Course Donation – Supt. Kersten reported we normally donate \$500 but we do not have any students participating in golf this year. Discussion followed. Blada moved to approve the annual donation of \$500 to the Westhope Country Club, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer – yes, Hunsakor – yes, Boll – yes, Blada – yes, Streich – yes. MCU

Negotiation Update – The first negotiation meeting will be Tuesday, April 16, 2019 to go over the ground rules.

Possible Executive Sessions - Supt. Kersten suggested the board should go into Executive Sessions to discuss Negotiation Strategies. Boll moved to go to executive session to discuss negotiation strategy and instruct our negotiators pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 44-04-19.1, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Hunsakor – yes, Boll – yes, Blada – yes, Streich – yes, Zimmer – yes, MCU

Executive Sessions began at 7:24 am.

Streich left the meeting at 7:47 am.

Executive Session ended at 8:04 am.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00 am.

Elementary/High School Principal Report: State testing has run very smooth this year. Our elementary is almost completely done. The HS has completed their English tests and will take the math portion of the tests next week. Testing is done with all students in Grades 3-8 and 10. The Senior Class photo shoot was done last week at DCB. I am looking at having the Senior Skip Day on the same day as the Jr/Sr Banquet on May 16th. The Elementary Music Festival will be April 17th in Bottineau. The Pre-School screening will be Friday, April 26th. There will be NO Preschool Open House this year. The Spring Music Concert is Tuesday, May 7th at 6:30 pm. We will have two students attending the Best of

Class (Sponsored by KMOT) at Minot State University on Wednesday, May 1st. The Spring Awards for VB, GBB and BBB will be Friday, May 10th in Westhope. I am still working on setting up the Spring RTI-B Party but I'm looking at either May 15th or 17th as possible dates. Information will be sent home shortly, and students will have to pay \$5 to help defray some of the costs of going to either High Air Ground or the Maysa. The Jr/Sr Banquet is scheduled for Thursday, May 16th in the school cafeteria starting at 6:30 pm. Baccalaureate time and place is unknown at this time. Track and golf practices have both started. We have 25+ total kids participating in track, with 11 students from Newburg. We do not have anyone in golf.

Superintendent Report: I currently have five applicants for the Social Studies position. Mr. Beaudrie & I will begin interviews either next week or the week after. There will be an early out Thursday, April 18th at 1:00 pm. There will be no school on Friday, April 19th for Good Friday, Monday April 22nd or 23rd for Easter Break. I will not be in school on Wednesday, April 17th. The Meet & Greet at MSU that Mr. Beaudrie & I attended was very beneficial. We had four students qualify for State at the Small Group Music Festival. The Musical Production of Peter Pan was an enormous success! Staff Appreciation Week is coming up in May.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 am


Darcy Lamoureux, Business Manager


Scott Hunskor, Board President