

The Newburg United School Board met July 21, 2020 for their Annual Board meeting. Supt. Jason Kersten called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm. Present: Scott Hunskor, Jason Blada, Nathan Boll, Karlene Wyman, TJ Streich, Sommer Zimmer and Lloyd Sund (via phone conference). Absent: None. Also present: Elementary/High School Principal Bob Beaudrie and Business Manager Darcy Lamoureux.

Additions to the Agenda – None.

Confirmation of the Agenda – Boll moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Seat Elected Members – Supt. Kersten extended congratulations to Nathan Boll and Sommer Zimmer (each 3-year terms) and Lloyd Sund (1-year term) for being reelected to the board.

Election of President – Supt. Kersten opened the floor for nominations for Board President. Boll nominated Hunskor for President. Supt. Kersten asked for any other nominations with none being made. Streich seconded Boll's nomination.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes. MCU

Election of Vice President - President Hunskor assumed the chair and called for nominations for vice president. Boll nominated Wyman for Vice President and Wyman nominated Boll for Vice President. Hunskor asked for any other nominations with none being made. Zimmer seconded Boll's nominations of Wyman and there was no second to Wyman's nomination of Boll. Wyman elected as Vice President.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Boll-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Confirm Monthly Meeting Date - Streich made a motion to confirm the monthly board meeting date as the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 am, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Official Paper - Zimmer moved to designate the Courant as the official newspaper, seconded by Wyman.

Roll Call Vote: Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Bank Depositories - Streich moved to designate First National Bank & Trust of Bottineau, Peoples State Bank of Westhope and State Bank of Bottineau as the official depositories, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Title I Authorized Representative – Wyman moved to designate Supt. Kersten as the Title I Authorized Representative, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Title II Part A Authorized Representative – Boll moved to designate Supt. Kersten as the Title II Part A Authorized Representative, seconded by Blada.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Title IV Authorized Representative – Zimmer moved to designate Supt. Kersten as the Title IV Authorized Representative, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Homeless Liaison – Wyman moved to designate our Counselor, Courtney Arnason to be the Homeless Liaison, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Designation of Foster Care Liaison – Zimmer moved to designate Supt. Kersten as the Foster Care Liaison, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

PERS Representative - Streich moved to name Supt. Kersten and Business Manager Lamoureux as the Authorized Representatives for PERS Retirement, seconded by Blada.

Roll Call Vote: Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

MREC Contract for EL Certified Teacher/Test Administrator – Supt. Kersten reported that our new teacher Mrs. Besson has this credential, but he would recommend staying with MREC for this year. Wyman moved to approve contract with MREC to be our EL Certified Teacher/Test Administrator, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

EL Certified Teacher/Test Administrator – Zimmer moved to approve Maranda Obradovic as the EL Certified Teacher/Test Administrator, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Compensation of Board Members for 2020-21 – Boll moved to keep the board member pay at \$75.00 for each regular, special, and committee meeting, conferences and to pay state rate per mile for travel, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Committee Representatives: The following were appointed: Transportation – Supt. Kersten, Nathan Boll and Scott Martin. Negotiations & Finance – Scott Hunskor, Karlene Wyman and Nathan Boll. Policy Committee – Sommer Zimmer, Karlene Wyman and Nathan Boll.

Adopt 2020-21 Free & Reduced Lunch Policy - Zimmer moved to adopt the 2020-21 State Free and Reduced Lunch Policy, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Hot Lunch Prices – Boll moved to raise student hot lunch prices by \$0.15 to (\$2.75 for K-6), (\$3.00 for 7-12), (\$0.40 for Reduced - same as last year) and change the adult price to \$3.75 as DPI requires adult prices must be \$.75 higher than the highest paid student meal, seconded by Wyman.

Roll Call Vote: Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Activity Ticket Prices & Passes – Supt. Kersten reported that he spoke to Westhope and they are looking at the increasing the rates this year. We have always tried to keep the same rates as Westhope since we coop in all sports. Boll moved to go with Westhope's rates of: K-6 \$35, 7-12 \$40, Adult \$65, Family \$150 and Golden Age (62+) \$50 and to give complimentary passes to staff, board members and their spouses, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Gasoline & Diesel – Supt. Kersten reported that he has not been able to contact Border Ag yet to discuss a fuel discount for this school year. He will contact them next week but would still recommend that we go with Border Ag. Wyman moved to purchase all fuel at Border Ag for the 2020-21 school year, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Business Manager Financial Report – Lamoureux presented the 2019-20 District Financial Report. Blada moved to approve the 2019-20 District Financial Report, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

ESSA Report – Supt. Kersten presented the ESSA Report completed by Lamoureux. Streich moved to approve the 2019-20 ESSA Report, seconded by Wyman.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

2020-21 Budget Information – Supt. Kersten presented the 2020-21 Preliminary Budget and Certificate of Levy. Wyman moved to increase the General Fund Levy to 60 mills (from 59.63 mills) and to levy the same dollars in the Building Fund, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Public Tax Hearing Date – Streich moved to hold our Public Tax Hearing on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020 at 7:00 am before we start our regular school board meeting in the ITV Room, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

2020-21 Policy Services Membership – Supt. Kersten reported that the membership fee will be \$880 and that he recommended joining again this year. Boll moved to approve the 2020-21 Policy Services Membership, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Back to School Open House/Picnic – Supt. Kersten asked the board if we should host our Welcome Back to School Picnic/Open House on August 17th due to the pandemic. Discussion followed. It was said that students will all be together a couple days later so they feel we should have it since it is a good time for students to bring in their supplies and meet their teachers and for parents to purchase their hot lunch and activity tickets. The board suggested advertising for people to attend only if they are comfortable. We should try to have it outside weather permitting or to have it in the gym where there is more room.

Consolidated Application – Supt. Kersten presented the 2020-21 Consolidated Application. Wyman moved to approve the 2020-21 Consolidated Application, seconded by Zimmer.

Roll Call Vote: Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Para Positions – Supt. Kersten reported they interviewed 4 very good applicants for the two positions. He has offered and is recommending we hire Tammy Beres & Cailey Soland for the positions. Boll moved to approve hiring Beres & Soland, seconded by Streich.

Roll Call Vote: Boll-yes, Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Tuition Free Agreement – Supt. Kersten presented a tuition free agreement for three students in our District to attend school at Bottineau. Zimmer moved to approve, seconded by Boll.

Roll Call Vote: Zimmer-yes, Blada-yes, Streich-yes, Sund-yes, Wyman-yes, Boll-yes, Hunskor-yes. MCU

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Audit – Supt. Kersten reported that we passed our audit for the SFSP program. This was the program that allowed us to serve meals during distance learning free of charge. The board thanked all those involved in the program.

Reentry Plan Update – Supt. Kersten reported that Governor Burgum is mandating that all School Boards approve a Reentry Plan and post it to their website. A committee of administrators, board members, teachers, parents, students and someone from First District Health will be tasked to draft a plan to present to the board for approval. This committee will be meeting next week after all the survey's come in. They will have to determine all the requirements to be addressed to reopen the school for face to face instruction and include a distance learning plan for those families that choose to not send their children to school. We will have to have a special board meeting to discuss the committee's plan.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00 am.

Elementary/High School Principal's Report: The 9-12 students will have final registration on August 11th and August 12th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. An instant alert will be sent out to let students know. Football practice starts on Monday, August 10th and the 7-12 volleyball and JH volleyball practice will start on Monday, August 17th. Pee wee boys' basketball will start practicing Thursday August 20th. Physicals need to be turned in by all athletes before they can practice. If you have a physical form on file with the office from last year, you only need to fill out Form B and will not have to get an actual physical. If you did not get a physical last year, you will need one this year. All Newburg students need to turn them into the Newburg School office and not to the coaches. The academic schedule has been set for this coming school year but might have to be adjusted due to Music classes. We will welcome Mrs. Wible as the new Special Education Teacher, Mrs. Besson as the new 5th & 6th Grade Teacher, Mrs. Sokol as the new English Teacher and Mrs. Beres and Ms. Soland as our new Para-educators. I will be attending the NDHSAA Administrators meeting in Devils Lake on September 15th at 10:00 am. Teacher In-service is scheduled for Monday, August 17th and Tuesday, August 18th.

No Superintendents Report.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:04 pm



Darcy Lamoureux, Business Manager



Scott Hunskor, Board President