

## Minutes of Maple Valley School Board

Meeting: Regular

Location: Tower City, ND

When: April 12, 2023

Present: Joey Bata, George Richman, Megan McKay, Sara Zaun, Meridee Erickson-Stowman, Chris Tofsrud, Dan Wendel, Bryce Kasowski. Absent: Jennifer Koller. Cathy Janish-Business Mgr, Mike Nygaard-Superintendent

1. Call to Order: 6:02 pm.

2. Agenda:

A motion was made by Chris Tofsrud and seconded by Bryce Kasowski to approve the agenda. MCU.

3. Minutes:

A motion was made by George Richman and seconded by Dan Wendel to approve the 3/14/23 Regular board meeting minutes. MCU.

A motion was made by Megan McKay and seconded by Dan Wendel to approve the 3/28/23 Special board meeting minutes. MCU.

4. Bills to Approve:

A motion was made by Sara Zaun and seconded by Chris Tofsrud to approve the bills as presented. MCU.

ACT 12.50, AUSK, REBECCA 47.11, BEK COMMUNICATIONS 199.96, BUSINESS ESSENTIALS 625.41, CINTAS 890.91, CITY OF ORISKA 96.00, COMBS, JODI 58.95, DEB OLAUSON 89.03, ENDERLIN INDEPENDENT 22.00, ERICKSON, ZANE 2,625.00, FAT MAN TRASH 1,054.20, FORUM COMMUNICATIONS 1,322.00, HIGH PLAINS WATER 91.00, HOOTS, NATHAN 134.21, KASOWSKI-GUBRUD 4,568.02, KEITH'S AIR CONDITIONING 4,089.14, MENARDS 12.97, MIDWEST PEST 300.00, MIKES CONSTRUCTION 1,095.00, NAPA Auto 23.22, NETWORK CABLING SERVICES 533.17, NEWEGG 1,006.31, NDCEL 400.00, STATE AUDITOR 365.00, OTTERTAIL POWER 4,314.75, SHEYENNE VALLEY SP. ED. 10,498.75, STEIN'S INC. 860.04, SUPERPUMPER 6,764.47, TRIEBOLD, ASHLEY 62.88, VALLEY CITY TIMES-RECORD 348.76, VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER 1,340.00, WEX HEALTH 50.00, WINDSTREAM 20.81, XCEL ENERGY 4,931.99, Total: 48,853.56

5. Accounts:

A motion was made by Dan Wendel and seconded by Bryce Kasowski to approve the General Fund, Activities and Hot Lunch accounts as presented. MCU.

6. Reports:

Superintendent: Soil borings completed for Building Project, gave status of open Teaching positions, looking at office machine contract and bids from two vendors, progress update on gym floor work needed and bids from vendor(s).

HS Principal: Working on class scheduling and various options, School Awards program -May 9<sup>th</sup>, Senior trip is getting scheduled, Cognia review is underway,

- Evelyn Lloyd is being recognized for having won a Gold Key -The highest state-level honors and the American Voices Medal -The highest national honor- for story writing . Mrs. Brook Devitt was awarded Gold Key Educator for her position as having her student recognized at state and national levels.0

EL Principal: No report.

Transportation: No report.

AD: Spring sports are starting up and already having lots of scheduling issues/ cancelations. There has been updates to the bus driving schedule for the Co-Op.

SRO: New cameras & radios are up and running.

Career & Tech: Negotiations are underway, Review of their construction project.

President: Looking into additional Snow Leave days for classified staff- due to the loss of work days from extensive weather related school closing/remote learning this year, President attended city council and zoning meetings- got building permit submitted, requesting east street to be gated closed for the safety of the children accessing playground...

Board/Committee: Nothing to report.

## 7. Old Business:

### A. Building Project-

- Scoreboards- Reviewed Daktronics options and costs, would be outside of contractors bidding, takes roughly 17 weeks to receive and install.
- Gym Floor- Reviewed sample gym color configurations, use of stains rather than paints, decals for logo's and/or sponsor names in the corners, get a few other design samples with board preferences suggested, offer staff & students a vote on their design preferences.
- Budget from Olaf Anderson- Building Construction.  
Anderson came in with budget of 4.71 versus Maple Valley target of 3.5. Discussion of areas where budget could be reworked/reduced. Review project timeline options for financing/fundraising, CMaR approach versus Contractor. Scheduled meetings with Olaf Anderson team upcoming, Also meeting with National Guard upcoming.

## 8. New Business:

### A. Bus Drivers.

In need of more Bus Drivers for the big buses, review various scheduling options to make the position more accommodating to potential drivers, review what other districts are doing.

A motion was made by Dan Wendel and seconded by George Richman to approve Advertising for New Bus Drivers. MCU

### B. Resignation.

Letter of resignation from Julie Kaspari as the Advisor for Student Council.

A motion was made by George Richman and seconded by Dan Wendel to approve Mrs. Kaspari's letter of resignation as Student Council Advisor. MCU. The Board thanks Mrs. Kaspari for her work with the Student Council.

- C. Teachers Contracts  
Update on the Contract timeline. Still Negotiating and no contracts prepared at this time.
- D. Wages- Administration, Classified Staff.  
Awaiting conclusion of negotiations.
- E. Open Enrollment Tuition Agreement  
A motion was made by Sara Zaun and seconded by Chris Tofsrud to approve the Open Enrollment and Tuition Agreement presented to the board. MCU.
- F. Teacher Appreciation.  
Megan presented an 'online store' option for this years appreciation for Teachers. A specific 'gift card' for the store would be given to select merchandise of the teachers choosing.  
  
A motion was made by Meridee Erickson-Stowman and seconded by Megan McKay to approve the Online Store Appreciation.
- G. Lunch Pricing 2023-2024.  
A motion was made by George Richman and seconded by Dan Wendel to maintain current lunch pricing for 2023-2024 school year. MCU.
- H. Technology Position  
Reviewed options for the position, nothing decided at this point.
- I. Administrative Position  
Currently have 3 applicants, Establish hiring committee.  
  
A motion was made by Sara Zaun and seconded by George Richman to approve a hiring committee consisting of 2 teachers, Dr. Nygaard, Dan Larson, 3 board Members-Sara, Jennifer, Dan. MCU.
- J. National Honor Society  
A motion was made by Meridee Erickson-Stowman and seconded by Sara Zaun to approve the addition of a National Honor Society to the Maple Valley pay schedule. MCU.
- K. Negotiations.  
Negotiations are underway and nothing new to report.
- L. School Resource Officer  
A motion was made by Bryce Kasowski and seconded by Meridee Erickson Stowman to approve the MOU for School Resource Officer, for the 2023-2024 school year.
- M. Executive session.  
No need for Executive Session.

9. Meetings:

May 10, 6:00pm Regular Board Meeting

10. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Dan Wendel and seconded by Bryce Kasowski to adjourn the Regular board meeting. MCU. Time: 8:03 pm.

Business Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

Board President : \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_