

A meeting of the Board of Education of Conestoga Public School in the County of Cass, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at, 5:00 PM Tuesday, April 9, 2024 located at the Jr./Sr HighSchool Media Center.

Notice of the meeting, agenda and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education and thereof by posting at the Elementary and HighSchool offices and Nebraska City News Press on April 5, 2024. Statue 84-1407 to 84-1414 require that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Welch informed the board and the public that the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room.

## **Opening Procedures**

Pledge of Allegiance

Statement of Open Meetings Law

Roll Call

Ahrens: Present, Kelley: Present, Page: Present, Priefert: Absent, Stone: Present, Welch: Present.

## **Comments from the Audience**

### **Presentations**

Spanish club, students Ember Hemmer, Averie Andersen and Austin Gonderinger with Mrs. Spangler presented updates on the growing program. Dual credit opportunities, real life opportunities, circumstances for translating and traveling to learn more about the culture. Ember Hemmer and Layla Formanack won the NDE Distinguished World Scholar Award.

Building Project committee: Around 20-25 people attended the last community meeting. The meeting went well. Presentation tomorrow is about 20 minutes long and we will plan to wrap up in an hour and people can ask questions individually. Tomorrow at high school 4/10 at 6:30 pm. NHS students will be available tomorrow for daycare and family fun night meeting is scheduled for 4/21 at 6:30pm.

Foundation Report: Continuing to share information with the community the purpose of what the foundation is all about. What the funds are all about and how this is possible through donations from giving patrons and alumni that have passed. Recreation of advisory group for projects and scholarships to manage the Eastridge funds. There are 16 current scholarships, that's 6 more scholarships than there were a few years ago when Welch joined the foundation. Great example of patrons giving donations. Future ideas include alumni events and dinners.

## **Consent Agenda**

Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Page. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

## **Discussion Items**

### **Admin Reports**

Secondary Principal: Currently all positions for teachers are filled. Thank you to Mrs. Baxter, good luck and have an applicant to replace this position. Formal evaluations for non-tenured teachers are complete. Senior signings will be this month Listed upcoming dates.

Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment: Attended an all woman conference. CTE teachers are finalizing the annual Perkins grant and the bulk of the grant will go to Mr. Burns. Instruction. Mrs. Kreifels is completing her meetings with students in preparation for next year. SENCAP representative has also been out to meet with interested students. Assessment. Wrapped up pre ACT and ACT today. Thank you to Mr. Quick for letting students use the cougar den to take the ACT and Mr. Schliefert for letting us use your classroom. Assessments will begin April 16th and run through March 10th. Listed those assessments. Teachers and admin will have access to NSCAS Growth within 24 hours.

Director of Student Services. 24–25 caseloads are still being decided on and will be finalized before we leave for summer. System of Care meeting in regards to LMHP, will be losing our grant, but students have benefited from LMHP. We will work with ESU to try to continue those services. Maintenance of Effort, compliance standards is due mid-May. We met our MOE requirement this year. Target Improvement Plan, reviewing student data to focus on different avenues of improvement and goals. Report is due May 1st. Listed completed reports and reviews.

Mr. Krause explained the submitted infographic material with his report.

Elementary Principal. Finalizing the school schedule next year. State testing will start at the end of the month. All certified teacher evaluations are completed and will start classified staff next week. PTO ice cream social is April 17th and PTO Carnival is scheduled for April 27th.

Daycare: The annual CQI evaluation was 3/18, some areas of improvement would benefit from having a director. We are still on the hunt for a director and more staff.

### **Superintendent Report**

Superintendent. The Elementary upper windows will be in another week. Will install over the summer to prevent interruptions to classrooms. Senior High is preparing summer work on HVAC, Boyd Jones will be present tomorrow to tour and allow staff to ask questions in preparation. Power will most likely be out in the secondary building for about 3 weeks. They have been working hard over the breaks and weekends to prepare for this summer. Gym floor refinishing will be delayed, so there isn't damage to the floor. The district office will have to be relocated, possibly to the concession stand, for the

summer. Track resurfacing and repair to the asphalt will all be happening over the summer as well. The library will be getting new carpet towards the end of the summer. Interviews for teaching staff are mostly completed. Hiring for the administrative assistant jobs is just about complete.

### **Action Items**

Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve the resignation of Abigail Plihal., seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve the resignation of Samantha Tanner, seconded by Page. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Board member Page made a motion to approve the 22-23 Annual Report, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve the certified contract for Shaun Brothers, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

### **Upcoming Meetings**

April 10, 2024	6:30 pm	Community Meeting
April 21, 2024	6:00 pm	Family Fun Night Community Meeting
May 5, 2024	5:00 pm	Facebook Live Community Meeting
May 14, 2024	5:00 pm	Board of Education Meeting

### **Adjourn**

Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve to adjourn at 5:47 pm, seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried