

**Keota School District
Board of Education Meeting
Keota Elementary School Media Center
Keota, Iowa 52248
Thursday March 14, 2024
6:00 PM**

President Billie Kindred called the meeting to order and read the mission statement.

Board members present: Dan Redlinger, Pat Hammen, Andy Conrad, Jim Tinnes

Also present: Superintendent Lisa Brenneman, Board Secretary Gina Bennett, and Business Manager Amy Greiner, Elementary Principal Seth Milledge

Pat Hammen moved to accept the agenda as amended. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 5-0.

Amended: remove approval of Florida trip (already approved), add date for public hearing for calendar, add approval of VIPs for classroom renovations.

Communication and Reports

Student Reports/Programs/Celebrations –

Community Public Participation –

Approval of Consent Items

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – Approval of the minutes from the previous monthly meetings.

Financial Report – Approve the current financial report of the district submitted by Business Manager Amy Greiner.

Approval of Summary of List of Bills – Approve the bills as listed and prepaid bills as presented by Gina Bennett.

Approval of Open Enrollment Requests – Bernard and Jennifer Greiner requested their daughter Kearney, Grade 7, open enroll out from Keota to Sigourney.

Approval of Fund- Raising Requests – The Junior Class has requested permission to sell Krispy Crème doughnuts as a fund raiser. The proceeds would be used for Prom. Keota After Prom requested permission to hold the registration for the Fun Run on June 15, 2024. The proceeds go to the Keota After Prom.

Approval of Resignations – Gina Bennett – speech coach

Approval of New Hires – N/A

Jim Tinnes moved to approve the consent items as presented. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Non-Action Items

Action Items

Approval of the first reading of annual review policies – Jim Tinnes moved to approve the first reading of the annually review policies. Seconded by Pat Hammen. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the new website platform with Neapolitan – Pat Hammen moved to approve the agreement between the district and Neapolitan website designers as a new platform for the school web site. Seconded by Andy Conrad. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of snow day forgiveness/makeup for all staff- Dan Redlinger moved to approve the 3 snow makeup days and forgive 2. Snow makeup days will be May 28, 29, 30.

Approval of AEA purchasing agreement – Andy Conrad moved to approve the AEA purchasing agreement for purchasing food, ware wash and small wares. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of phone purchase through the Gov. Safety Grant – Andy Conrad moved to approve the purchases of phones through the Governors safety grant. Seconded by Jim Tinnes. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of switch purchase through the Gov. Safety Grant – Andy Conrad moved to approve the purchase of switches through the Governors Safety Grant. Seconded by Dan Redlinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Date of Public Hearing on School calendar – Andy Conrad moved a public hearing on the 4- day school calendar be held on March 25, 2024 at 6:00. Pat Hammen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent and 9-12 Principal Report – ISAAP testing was finished up this week and went very well. Mrs. Brenneman held an assembly to motivate the students to do their best on the test. Senator Grassley will be visiting Keota High School on March 26th at 1:00. The public is welcome to attend. Mrs. Brenneman gave a legislative update. Calendar start date, AEA, pay raises and SSA are all still being considered by the legislature. Brenneman thanked Mary Pat Redlinger and Gina Bennett for their work on the nutrition program review. The review went very well. Post graduate survey results were examined. The spring play will be April 3rd and 6th at 7:30.

Activities Director Report – Dan Stout reported that the baseball fence has been completed. Sawyer Stout was named 2nd team All State Basketball and will ply in the IBCA All Star game on March 23rd representing the SE Iowa team. Boys and girls track are off and rolling. 13 girls and 11 boys are out for high school track. Golf season is also under way. There are 3 girls and 11 boys out. The Athletic Boosters plan to get started on the softball/baseball renovation project this year. Speech will have their end of season banquet on March 27th.

Elementary Principal report – Principal Milledge reported that the elementary had a lot going on this past month. FFA week was celebrated with a reading relay. 27 5th and 6th grade students earned the BRAG trip to Keokuk County Bowl last Friday. Staff has been working with students and training to prepare for the ISASP tests. The Admin team and BLT have worked on and completed 2 of the 4 ESSA requirements this month. Work has been finalized on the Governors Safety Grant. Keota was awarded \$50,000.00 for each building and projects will be getting under way soon. Preschool/Kindergarten team meeting will be Friday to finalize plans for the 3-year-old, 4-year-old and Kindergarten for next year. The elementary Conditions for Learning Survey parent email was sent out to parents. Completion of the survey will be April 3-10 at the elementary. Continued thanks to all who continue to contribute so generously to our playground project.

Business Manager Report – Business manager Amy Greiner reported that she and Mrs. Brenneman worked on the Proposed Property Tax Levy rate for FY25. It was published March 13, 2024 in the newspaper, website and social media outlets as required by the new budget process this year. Work continues on the budget worksheets. Greiner is working

with HR Director Missy Sellers on salary information. February bank statements have been reconciled and the board financial reports have been completed. Greiner attended the spring IASBO Conference in Altoona.

Board Training/Board In Service

The public hearing for approval of the budget will be March 25th, 2024 at 6:00 in the elementary library

The public hearing for approval of the school calendar will be March 25, 2024 a t6:00 in the elementary library.

The next Keota School board meeting will be April 11, 2024 in the elementary media library at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 P.M.

Board President _____

Date _____

Board Secretary _____

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