

The Board of Education of the Hitchcock County Schools met April 10, 2017 at the Hitchcock County Junior/Senior High School in Trenton. Present were board members: Kolbet, Baker, Marks, Scott, Rippen, and O'Byrne. Also present were Superintendent Sattler, several staff members, and Peggy Fyn.

President Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Notice of the board's adherence to the Nebraska Open Meetings Law posted on the north wall of the meeting room was given.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Marks to approve the April 2017 regular meeting agenda as presented. Aye votes Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, and Marks; nay votes none.

President Scott welcomed all visitors. The board was introduced to Joy Farr, 9-12 English teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Various elementary staff addressed staffing concerns.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Rippen to approve the consent agenda as presented. Aye votes O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none. The consent agenda consisted of the following items: (1) Minutes of the March 2017 regular board meeting. (2) The Activity Fund. (3) The bill rosters with general fund bills totaling \$295,011.43 and lunch fund bills totaling \$20,304.52. (4) Other funds.

Moved by Baker; seconded by O'Byrne to approve paying for the bleachers and gym improvements from the Special Building Fund. Aye votes Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and O'Byrne; nay votes none.

Superintendent Sattler presented the board with proposals for both the elementary and secondary computer labs, and Chromebooks. Mr. Sattler informed the board the technology committee had met, and what their recommendations were. Moved by Rippen; seconded by O'Byrne to purchase Dell computers from Honorbound IT for \$16,686.39 for the secondary lab; iMac's from Apple Inc. for \$30,720.00 for the elementary labs; and Edugear Chromebooks from CDI, not to exceed \$29,108.66 for 9-12 1 on 1. All to be paid for from the Depreciation Fund with purchase costs supplemented with a \$20,000 grant from the Hansen Foundation and \$16,993.57 in REAP monies. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, and Rippen; nay votes none.

David Wimer presented the board with proposals for an activity bus from Thomas- Omaha, Cornhusker International, and NE Central Equipment. Moved by Baker; seconded by Kolbet to accept the proposal from Cornhusker International not to exceed \$141,275.00 to be paid from the Depreciation Fund. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, and Baker; nay votes none.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Kolbet to revise Board Policy 3012, School Meal Program and Meal Charges, and to adopt Board Policy 5050, School Wellness, as presented, Aye votes Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, and Kolbet; nay votes none.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by O'Byrne to add spring parent-teacher conferences on February 8, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM, with a noon dismissal, to the 2017-2018 school calendar as proposed. Aye votes Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, and Marks; nay votes none.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Marks to amend Cathy Barger's contract for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. Aye votes O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Baker to approve a contract with Nathaniel Acton for the K-12 Instrumental/Vocal instructor for the 2017-2018 school year. Aye votes Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and O'Byrne; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Marks to accept Dove Lacey's resignation at the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, and Rippen; nay votes none.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Kolbet to move into executive session at 8:12 PM to discuss 2017-2018 classified wages. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Rippen, Marks, Scott, and O'Byrne; nay votes none.

Moved by Marks; seconded by Kolbet to move out of executive session at 8:50 PM. Aye votes Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Baker, Kolbet, and Rippen; nay votes none.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by Baker to adjust the 2017-2018 classified wages up to 3% for all positions except for the nurse and custodial 1. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, and Baker; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Marks to increase the school nurse pay to \$25 per hour and to rename custodial 1 to Grounds, Maintenance, and Transportation Director with an increase to \$18.43 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year. Aye votes Kolbet, Scott, Rippen, O’Byrne, Baker, and Marks; nay votes none.

Committee report as follows: Board member Rippen gave a report on keynote speakers, breakout sessions, and new legislation that were a part of the NRSCA conference he attended in Kearney.

AD/Principal report as follows: (1) Thank you to Dawn Williams and Mentzer’s Gas Station for donating pizza for staff at the Parent-Teachers’ Conferences. (2) Thank you to Casha O’Byrne and the Booster Club for providing a meal for the State Speech participants; and for providing snacks and drinks for the elementary students taking the NESAs tests. (3) The 3rd grade is participating in the Youth Pollinator Habitat Program by planting an acre of habitat at Swanson Lake for bees and birds. (4) Nine children attended Pre-School round up. (5) Twelve children attend Kindergarten round up. (6) Congratulations to Mattie Windholz for placing 5th at the state speech contest; and to Tara Oberg for qualifying. (7) The HCS girls track team won the Maywood-Hayes Center Track Invitational, and were runner-ups at the Sutherland Invitational. (8) Blaine Teeter placed 4th at the Cambridge golf invite and 10th at the DC-S golf invite. Darian Hutto placed 12th at the DC-S invite. (9) Hitchcock County is hosting our Junior High track invitational, April 12th, high school track meet on April 20th, and the high school RPAC meet on April 28th.

Superintendent Sattler’s report as follows: (1) A report on the NRCSA conference. (2) Hitchcock County Schools won the MCC Inter-high Day. (3) Brooke Scott and Will Kisker had the highest ACT scores in the conference recognition. (4) Getting bids to replace the gym lights at the high school site with LED lights. (5) The Village of Trenton gave the okay to use the well at the football field. Getting bids for an underground sprinkler system. (6) The gym is ready for the new bleachers. They will arrive and be installed the first part of June. (7) Legislative updates.

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 9:22 PM. The next board meeting will be held on May 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM, at the Hitchcock County Junior/Senior High School. The agenda kept continuously current is available to the public in the school office during normal hours. The board may modify the agenda within 24 hours of the meeting for items of an emergency nature. The meeting is open to the public.

Craig Scott – President

Michael Baker - Secretary

General Fund bills

20/20 Technologies – contracted services	3,164.00
Aflac – payroll deductions	262.74
American Electric – building supply	6.11
American Family Ins Co – payroll deductions	1,706.84
Arctic Glacier USA – ice	40.00
Barnetts Do-It Center – building supply	28.94
Blue Cross Blue Shield – health insurance	41,644.20
Bosselman Energy – bldg/bus fuel/bldg supply	2,586.60
Colonial Life – payroll deductions	193.18
Comfort Inn – conference lodging	391.80
Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	41,502.67
Custom Trophy & Engraving – plaques	35.30
D&L Pest Control – pest control	107.00
Dans R Us – trash	154.50
Decker Equipment – building supply	112.70

Diamond Vogel – paint	660.56
Eakes Office Supply – copiers/usage	3,363.23
Electrical Engineering & Equipment – building supply	85.80
ESU #15 – contracted services	15,633.13
ESU #16 – contracted services	180.60
Farmers Coop – bldg/bus fuel, supply/labor	4,976.12
Fastenal – building supply	90.43
Follett School Solutions – library books	1,020.26
Great Plains Communications – phone bill/internet	1,086.66
HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursements	442.50
HCS – payroll deductions	445.00
HCS Flex Plan – contributions	1,651.68
Hershberger Music – music supply	24.90
Credit Management Services – payroll deduction	4.02
Hot Lunch Fund – payments	1,713.71
Ideal Laundry – custodial supply	75.69
J Bar J Landfill asbestos disposal	52.61
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	19.57
Jostens – diplomas	178.54
Kildare Lumber – building supply	72.95
KSB School Law – legal services	42.00
Legal Shield – payroll deduction	133.53
Danielle McCauley – cheerleading sponsor	665.00
MCI – long distance	51.76
MG Trust Co – annuities	4,668.47
Midlands Toxicology – driver testing	70.00
NCSA – conference registration	150.00
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	32,833.15
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	5,245.52
New York Life Ins Co – payroll deduction	47.00
O’Brien Electric – ballast replacement	166.70
Optum Health – FSA fees	150.00
Orscheln Farm & Home – grounds improvement	522.81
Pfeffer Services – Trane unit repair	382.49
Principal Life Ins Co – disability	793.96
Quality Urgent Care – DOT physical	135.00
Quill Corporation – office supply	120.99
R&W Repair – bus fuel/parts/labor	1,399.50
School Specialty – office supply	27.88
Scoop Media – ads/printing	155.45
Southwest NE Physical Therapy – contracted services	136.42
Southwest Public Power District – electric	2,249.84
The Instrumentalist Awards – music supply	37.00
The Thompson Co – custodial supply	221.01
Trails West – bus fuel	1,993.35
UniFirst Corporation – custodial supply	76.66
Unitech – custodial supply	378.00
U.S. Bank – credit card	268.39
Village of Culbertson – water/sewage	95.47
Village of Trenton – electric/water/sewage/trash	1,720.85
Vision Service Plan – payroll deduction	275.25
Payroll – net (gross - \$179,036.70)	116,083.89

Lunch Fund bills

CashWa – food/supply	4,412.54
Colonial Life – payroll deduction	67.27
Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	1,410.70
Culligan Water Conditioning – salt	20.40
Dean Holding Co – milk	1,779.21
Food Distribution Program – commodities	678.71
HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursement	225.00
Credit Management Services – payroll deduction	31.82
Hot Lunch Fund – payment	4.79
Ideal Laundry – kitchen supply	108.32
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	154.97
MG Trust Co - annuity	99.00
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	1,377.57
NE School Nutrition Assoc – conf registration/dues	796.00
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	115.13
Schmicks Market – food	465.62
The Thompson Co – food/supply	3,180.02
Payroll – net (gross - \$7,319.68)	5,305.45