Heron Lake – Okabena School District #330
Regular Board Meeting
July 20, 2021

The Board of Education of Independent School District #330 held its regular board meeting on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. John Volk called the meeting to order. In attendance were John Volk, Bob Egge, Mark Fest, Katie Janssen, and ex officio Paul Bang. Business Manager Tracy Freking was also in attendance. A quorum was declared with majority members in attendance. Guest, EM representative Christine Risell.

Fest moved, seconded by Janssen to approve the agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously. Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to approve the payment of the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge gave the Treasurer’s Report. Total expenditures were $272,024.61; total wires were $149,761.04; total net payroll was $143,714.66. Fest moved, seconded Egge by to approve the Treasurer’s Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Bang gave the Activities Report. Summer camps for volleyball and football are underway. Keep Winter and Spring extra-curricular assignments tabled. August will be presenting MSHSL membership. Cross-country coach recommendation-Doug White.

Bang gave the Principal’s Report. New school website host-School InSites. There is a slight change in appearance and lower cost. No exit interviews have been returned at this time.

Bang gave the Superintendent’s Report. Enrollment numbers are around 300. Staffing is set as of now. MSBA courses are being offered remotely in August.

Board member reports: NCIC–Unused funds returned to assist with summer programs. Facilities–pavement at elementary; fence posts at football field. HLOCF–Summer golf outing on August 22. Negotiations–costing sheet created.

Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to approve Elementary open enrollment student from Brewster. The motion carried unanimously. Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve Elementary open enrollment student from Jackson. The motion carried unanimously. Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to approve secondary open enrollment student from Windom. The motion carried unanimously. Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve secondary open enrollment student from Jackson. The motion carried unanimously.

The chair conducted the first reading of the revised Wellness Policy.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve the Disproportionate Enrollment Policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to approve the Grievance Procedure revisions. The motion carried unanimously.

Janssen moved, seconded by Fest to set Truth in Taxation Meeting, December 21, 2021 at 6 pm in the HS media center. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge introduced resolution to approve ISD 330 LTFM 10 year plan, seconded by Fest. Voting in favor of the LTFM 10 year plan: Fest, Egge, Janssen, and Volk. Against: None. The resolution passed and adopted.
Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve the proposed non-certified wages for 21-22 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve contract for business manager Tracy Freking for 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried unanimously.


Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to increase the fixed asset threshold from $1,000 to $5,000 as of July 1, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to increase the payroll account at CSB from $150,000 to $200,000. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to accept the resignation of Gary Hildebrandt from cross country and track coaching. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the hiring of Matthew Beckendorf as the 5th grade teacher. The motion carried unanimously.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve the hiring of Doug White as Cross-country coach for 21-22. The motion carried unanimously.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to accept the $2,500 donation for a second set of volleyball jerseys. The motion carried unanimously.

Egge introduced resolution approve Paul Bang as district IOwA for 21-22 school year, seconded by Fest. Voting in favor of Paul Bang as IOwA: Fest, Egge, Janssen, and Volk. Against: None. The resolution passed and adopted.

Fest moved, seconded by Janssen to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Rasche, Clerk