

MAQUOKETA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JOINT MEETING WITH ANDREW SCHOOL BOARD  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011

Andrew President Peters called the joint meeting with the Andrew School Board to order on Monday, November 11, 2011 at 6 p.m. at the Andrew School Media Center, Andrew. Andrew Directors Peters, Ernst, Till, and Weimerskirch were present. Director Strathman arrived at 6:20 p.m. Maquoketa Directors Hudrlik, Hayward, Sybesma, Lane and Tabor were present. Maquoketa Superintendent Huckstadt, Andrew Lead Administrator/Principal Crozier, and Board Secretaries McKeon and Hammond were present. Also in attendance were Kent Hammer and Maquoketa Administrators Mark Vervaecke and Helen Snell. Andrew President Peters welcomed the Maquoketa Board and Administration.

MOTION #060-11/12: Motion/Tabor, 2<sup>nd</sup>/Sybesma to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Introductions were made. Maquoketa High School Principal Vervaecke reported on the High School initiatives and goals that included: Iowa Core; Failing Rate; Instructional Practices Inventory; ITED; and 1 to 1 Computer implementation. He provided their fall and spring timelines, Average ACT test results in areas of English, Math, Reading Science and a Composite for periods of 2004 through spring 2011. In 2011 the test results exceeded the state average in all subjects and composite. Maquoketa High School Director of School Improvement Helen Snell reported on the following district wide initiatives: Curriculum Mapper; Iowa Core; and CRISS Strategies in the Classroom.

Andrew President Peters and Principal Crozier asked about the exploratory classes at the Middle School and on-line classes. Andrew expressed they're considering requiring Middle School students to take at least one on-line course before High School. The transition of students to the High School is important.

Maquoketa Supt. Huckstadt asked if there were any concerns or problems with the Whole Grade Sharing arrangement to date. Pres. Peters and Principal Crozier reported it has been excellent. Both Bellevue and Maquoketa districts have been good to work with in resolving any issues that have arisen. Communication between the districts has been very open and students, parents and the community have been supportive.

Maquoketa board member representative on the Andrew-Maquoketa Facilities Improvement Committee is Marty Hudrlik. Andrew will appoint a board member then Lead Administrator Crozier will contact Supt. Huckstadt to plan a meeting of the committee and identify a community member to serve. The committee will then meet and identify available funds and projects to support.

Lead Administrator Crozier reported discussion has begun by the Andrew Board regarding students who desire to change districts after the school year has begun. They will create a draft of the language and present it to Maquoketa and Bellevue Superintendents and Boards for review for possible amendment to the Whole Grade Sharing Agreement. This may be on the spring joint meeting agenda.

MOTION #061-11/12: Motion/Till, 2<sup>nd</sup>/Ernst to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

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Brian Tabor, President

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Barbara A. McKeon, Secretary