

MAQUOKETA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011

Pres. Tabor called the meeting to order on Monday, November 14, 2011 at 7:48 p.m. at Central Office. Directors Lane, Hudrlik, Hayward, Sybesma and Tabor were present. Supt. Huckstadt, Board Secretary McKeon and Administrators H Snell, C Snell and P Bollman were present. Also in attendance were: Ms. Green, Jean Anderson, Mike Wing, Perry Hawks and Tim Oswald. Sherri Melvold of KMAQ and Kelly Gerlach of Maquoketa Sentinel Press represented the press.

MOTION #062-11/12: Motion/Hudrlik, 2nd/Lane to approve the following consent agenda items:

Agenda – Approved as presented.

Minutes – Approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 17, 2011 and the two special meetings held on November 1, 2011 as presented.

Registrations, Reimbursements and Selected Accounts Payable – Approved as presented totaling \$506,488.45.

Financial Reports – The following reports for period ending October 31, 2011 were reviewed: Account Balance; Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures; Revenue Report; General Fund & Non Budgeted Expenditure Detail Report; Activity Fund Balance Report; and Nutrition Fund Report.

Resignations – Approved the following resignations: Chance Jenkins as the Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach pending his hiring for the Assistant Boys Soccer Coach position; and Ashley Wiggins as the Freshman Volleyball Coach pending finding a suitable replacement.

Recommendations to Hire – Approved the hiring of: **Chance Jenkins** as the Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for the 2011-12 school year. Mr. Jenkins will be paid at Level III, Year 4 for \$2,734.20; **Dr. Paul Koob** to serve as a Middle School Wrestling Coach for the 2011 season at Level IV, Year 1 for \$1,822.80 retroactive to October 26, 2011 and pending the outcome of the criminal background check; **Brian Beadle** as the High School Bowling Coach for the 2011-12 school year only, at Level VI for \$600. By mutual agreement, **Louie Clasen** will assume coaching duties upon the completion of the Coaching Endorsement by January 1, 2012. No additional compensation will be required of the school district.

5 ayes, motion carried.

Pres. Tabor announced that due to the lateness of the start of this meeting, the Board will move to agenda item Review of Bonding Capacity & Financing Options for Infrastructure Improvement Projects under Business Affairs. Tim Oswald of Piper-Jaffrey provided an updated handout showing three different levels of borrowing. Piper-Jaffrey assisted the district with our existing Revenue Bonds and he provided some background information. And gave an overview of financing options and bonding capacity related to the Statewide Sales Tax for School Infrastructure Improvement Fund. He recommended the Board identify the projects with estimated costs and timelines. Once that is known, he will provide re-estimated financing options.

Pres. Tabor opened the floor for public comment regarding director districts of the school board at 8:29 p.m. No comments were made pertaining to the current or future method of election for School Board Directors. Supt. Huckstadt explained that if the board decides to change, another official public hearing will be held.

Under Good News: The following gave Administrative Reports: Briggs Elementary Principal P Bollman; Director of Transportation and Operations Mike Wing; Middle School Principal C Snell; and Director of School Improvement H Snell. The art display is from the High School in acknowledgement of American Education Week. High School Principal Vervaecke and Technology Coordinator Cogan provided a typewritten report, for they were unable to attend.

Under Board Comments, Congratulations was extended to the High School Girls Volleyball and High School Football team for their successful seasons. Student athletes did a great job and the community support was wonderful.

MOTION #063-11/12: Motion/Hudrlik, 2nd/Hayward to approve and adopt the Affirmative Action Plan as presented. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Board reviewed requirements for maintaining the current election method and options and procedures to modify current election methods.

MOTION #064-11/12: Motion/Hayward, 2nd/Hudrlik for Supt. Huckstadt to pursue the course of action and draft a resolution to change the method of election to be all at-large director districts. Roll call vote taken – Hayward-aye, Hudrlik-aye, Sybesma-aye, Tabor-aye and Lane-aye. 5 ayes, motion carried.

MOTION #065-11/12: Motion/Sybesma, 2nd/Lane to trust the recommendation of the Health Insurance Committee and authorize the change in Third-party Administrative Services Provider from Wellmark to First Administrations, Inc. for the health and prescription plan effective January 1, 2012. 5 ayes, motion carried.

MOTION #066-11/12: Motion/Hudrlik, 2nd/Sybesma to approve the purchase of the Western 8' Pro Plus Snow Blade from Driveline, Inc. in the amount of \$4,925 with funding to come from the Physical Plant and Equipment Fund. 5 ayes, motion carried.

MOTION #067-11/12: Motion/Hayward, 2nd/Lane to adopt the enclosed Early Retirement Resolution with the exception of the Superintendent position. Under discussion, Director Sybesma re-emphasized this is not an annual program and it may or may not be offered next year. Pres. Tabor expressed he personally felt every person has to make the decision and that the program should not exclude the Superintendent. Other Districts exclude groups. It should be offered to all or none. Director Hudrlik expressed agreement with Pres. Tabor's comments. Roll call vote taken – Hayward-aye, Lane-aye, Sybesma-nay, Hudrlik-nay and Tabor-nay. Motion failed.

MOTION #068-11/12: Motion/Hudrlik, 2nd/Sybesma to adopt the enclosed Early Retirement Resolution available to all employees who meet the criteria. Roll call vote taken – Hudrlik-aye, Sybesma-aye, Lane-nay, Hayward-nay and Tabor-aye. 3 ayes, motion carried.

Legislative Network Representative Sybesma reported he hopes to get more legislative information in the coming week. Supt. Huckstadt reported he would invite Brian Moore and Tod Bowman to the regular December 2011 meeting.

Under Superintendent's Report: American Education week is November 13-19, 2011; IASB annual school board convention is this week in Des Moines. Pres. Tabor will be attending the Delegate Assembly and all members attending sessions on November 16 & 17, 2011; final Certified Enrollment figures are: Resident students is 1,403.9, a decrease of 16 students from last year; open enrolled in is 70, out is 88, a deficit of 18; Delwood whole grade shared/tuition in students is 76, a deficit of 10; Andrew whole grade shared/tuition in students is 30; Four-Year Old Preschool @ .5 FTE is 38.5, a decrease of 4.58 from prior year due to less funding per pupil than prior year; and Senior Year Plus is 19.6 (this is first semester count; last year it was a full year count. State changed method of claiming. 2nd semester count will be included in the October 2012 count for FY13); 152 flu and pneumonia shots were administered to employees, retirees and spouses. Total cost \$3,860. District allocation for health fair activities is \$20,000; a second planning meeting will be held on Nov. 18, 2011 for the Welding Shop addition, funded by the EICC Accelerated Career Education (ACE) Grant; work session will be held on Nov. 21, 2011 following the joint meeting with Delwood to set facility improvement priorities; factors affecting the FY13 budget was provided. Federal Ed Jobs funding of \$272,000 will not be available and regular program costs will be \$269,759 less than the current year. Employee settlement package is 2.9%; and reported on the meeting in Davenport he attended regarding the Governor's Blue Print for Education.

Pres. Tabor reported the next meeting of the board is a joint meeting with Delwood on November 21, 2011 at Delmar beginning at 5:15 p.m., with a special meeting of the Board to follow at approximately 6:30 p.m. at Central Office.

President Tabor adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

Brian Tabor, President

Barbara A. McKeon, Secretary