

Minutes of a July 19, 2021 School District of Manawa Regular Board of Education Meeting

Call to Order – President Johnson – 7:00 p.m. – MES Board Room, 800 Beech Street

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - Reierson, Griffin, J. Johnson, R. Johnson, Jepson, and Hollman. Pethke absent.

Verify Publication of Meeting - Dr. Oppor verified publication

Presentations: Annual District Reading Specialist State of the District in Literacy Instruction; and Initial Proposal of Updated Key Performance Indicators

Announcements: Contributions to the District: A. Sturm & Sons Foundation, Inc. \$3,000 donation to benefit the youth enrolled in the Manawa FFA Chapter, and A. Sturm & Sons Foundation, Inc. \$3,000 donation to enhance the Fine Arts areas of band, chorus, drama, forensics, arts or libraries in the district. Other Contributions: none.

Approved by Consent: Minutes of June 21, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, July 6, 2021 and July 13, 2021 Special Board Meetings; Treasurer’s Report: Approve Expenditures \$355,307.31 & Receipts \$1,006,917.74. Donations: A. Sturm & Sons Foundation, Inc. \$3,000 donation to benefit the youth enrolled in the Manawa FFA Chapter, and A. Sturm & Sons Foundation, Inc. \$3,000 donation to enhance the Fine Arts areas of band, chorus, drama, forensics, arts or libraries in the district

Any Item Removed from Consent Agenda: No items were removed.

Public Comments: Matt McGregor, Hoffman Construction, gave an update on the HS/MS parking lot repavement project.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence this month.

Board Recognition: Student Recognition - Alaina Gast - CWC North Girls Softball Player of the Year

District Administrator’s Report:

Legislative Update - Waiting to hear about the state budget in regards to education. American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and Esser III plans and district plan requirements. Summer Professional Development & Curriculum Update - math training is coming up. Secondary teachers training this week. Administration is training along with the teachers. COVID-19 Update - Numbers looking good across the county. The Delta variant seems to be more aggressive. Putting a plan together for the 2021-22 SY and bringing it to the board in August. Summer Infrastructure Project Highlights - 11 month meeting with Hoffman. Satisfaction survey and making sure Hoffman will address all needs. HS/MS new gym floor, new lights, new masks will be showcased at the ribbon cutting in August.

School Operations Reports: ES Principal / Special Education Director and MS / HS Principal:
Highlights - Included in Board Packet

Business Related Reports: Highlights - Included in Board Packet, and Kobussen Transportation
Report

Director's Reports: Technology Director Highlights - Included in Board Packet

Board Comments: R. Johnson wanted to discuss rescheduling the September 20, 2021 regular
board meeting. They will reschedule the Regular Board of Education meeting for Wednesday,
September 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Reierson noted it would be helpful to provide directions telling people where the restrooms were
in the elementary school for participants in the rodeo parade.

She does not support the book, "It's Perfectly Normal" by Robie H. Harris, being in any of the
school libraries. Reierson would like to better define what correspondence is being attached to
the board agendas and in the policies.

Hollman asked that any guest speakers or special recognitions get that done earlier in the
meeting and to make sure they excuse them after their presentations so they feel free to leave
future board meetings.

Committee Reports: Minutes were included in the board packet for a Curriculum Committee, a
Finance Committee, a Buildings & Grounds, and a Policy & Human Resources Committee.

Reierson pointed out typos in the various handbooks that are being approved at this meeting. She
also questioned in the Title 1 handbook that states there is a teacher retention plan and wanted to
know who is working on the plan, and where this plan is.

The 504 Handbooks refers to Neola forms and wanted to make sure it is cross-referenced as
being up-to-date.

At 8:55 p.m. the board recessed for a break. At 9:01 p.m., the meeting resumed.

Unfinished Business:

Motion by R. Johnson / Jepson to Approve of PO0167.3 - Public Comment at Board Meetings as
Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Reierson / Griffin to Approve of PO5410 - Promotion, Placement, and Retention as
Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Reierson / Jepson to Approve of AG5410 - Promotion, Transfer, and Retention as
Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

New Business:

Motion by Jepson / Hollman to change the order of the New Business by moving items 19o and
19p to the top. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Hollman / R. Johnson to Approve of Curb and Gutter Replacement Budget as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by R. Johnson / Hollman to Approve of Traffic Flow Plan for MMS/LWHS (subset of referendum paving project) as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Hollman / R. Johnson to Approve of MES Student Handbook as Revised. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Reierson / Hollman to Approve of MMS Student-Parent Handbook as Revised. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Jepson / Reierson to Approve of LWHS Student-Parent Handbook as Revised. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Griffin / R. Johnson to Approve of 504 Handbook as Revised. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by R. Johnson / Hollman to Approve of Title I Schoolwide Plan as Presented.
Motion Amended by R. Johnson / Hollman to Approve of the Title I Schoolwide Plan as Revised. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Jepson / Reierson to Approve of Response to Intervention (RtI) Plan as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Griffin / Reierson to Approve of Professional Educator Handbook as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Reierson / Hollman to Approve of Coaches Handbook as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Griffin / R. Johnson to Approve of Student Academic Standards as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Jepson / Reierson to Approve of Food Service Prime Vendor as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by R. Johnson / Jepson to Approve of Food Service Bread Vendor as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Griffin / Hollman to Approve of Food Service Dairy Vendor as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by R. Johnson / Griffin to Approve of Sick-day Pay-out for All Staff as Presented. Jepson nay. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Hollman / Reiersen to Approve of Salary & Stipend Guide as Presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Hollman / R. Johnson to Approve of Legal Counsel Advice to End Virtual Only Board of Education Meetings and the Recording/Posting of Board of Education Meetings as Pandemic Emergency Ends as Presented.

Motion Amended by Hollman / R. Johnson to continue with hybrid meetings and end virtual only meetings. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Motion by Reiersen / Jepson to Approve of Summer School 2021 Fifth Grade Band Lessons as Presented. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Next Meeting Dates:

July 27, 2021 Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting - 4:30 p.m.

July 27, 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

August 3, 2021 Policy & Human Resources Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

August 16, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

August 31, 2021 Back to School Night - Ribbon Cutting Celebration (Details forthcoming)

September 7, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Griffin / Hollman to Adjourn at 9:52 p.m. Motion carried. Pethke absent.

Stephanie Flynn, Recorder