

Nottawa Community School

Board Meeting

March 10, 2025 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Minutes

“Building Better Futures for Children and Communities”

"This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item as, "introduction of guests."

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Rosenbaum.

Members Present: Brandon, Danberry, Hochstetler, Rosenbaum

A. Required Reading of PA213.

II. Introduction of guests:

A. Ms. Cierra Haskins

Mr. Wolff introduced Ms. Haskins. Ms. Haskins is a permitted teacher in grade 6 working toward full teacher certification. Mr. Wolff praised her service to the district and invited board members to see her classroom following the meeting. The board expressed its appreciation for Ms. Henderson's dedicated service.

III. Correspondence:

A. No correspondence at this time.

IV. Presentations if any:

A. No presentations at this time.

V. Consent Agenda

All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless there is a request from a board member to remove an individual agenda item (or items) from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and possibly voted upon separately. All agenda items pulled from the Consent Agenda will be placed under Action Items.

A. Approval of Minutes for February 3, 2025 Board of Education Meetings

B. Approval of Financial Report.

C. Approval of Monthly Board Bills: in the amount of \$25,612.03 through February 28, 2025.

Motion by Danberry, support by Rosenbaum to approve the consent agenda. Motion Carried 3-0.

VI. Action items

A. Second Review of Revision to Policy 4120 to match 3120.

Mr. Wolff reviewed the intent of the policies to match allowing for support staff related to board members to be approved for hire, just as is permitted for professional staff.

Motion by Danberry, support by Hochstetler to approve the second reading of policy 4120. Motion Carried 3-0.

B. First Read of Policy 39.2

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to approve the first reading of policy revisions Volume 39, No.2.
Motion Carried 3-0.

C. Operational Millage 1 Year Early

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to move forward with early operational millage renewal proposal for the November 2025 election. Motion Carried 3-0.

Superintendent requests Closed Session for the purpose of personnel evaluation. Item B: (Roll call vote required)

President Rosenbaum advanced the meeting to information items with the intent of returning to item D in anticipation of going into closed session.

D. Second Half of Superintendent Evaluation Sections C, E and F

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to move into closed session for the evaluation of superintendent at 9:28 PM.

Roll call vote: Danberry- yes; Hochstetler- yes; Rosenbaum- yes; Motion Carried.

Motion by Rosenbaum, support by Hochstetler to return to open session at 9:58 PM.

Roll call vote: Danberry- yes; Hochstetler- yes; Rosenbaum- yes; Motion Carried.

VII. Information items

A. Early Elementary Building (4 Year Old Preschool and Young 5's)

Mr. Wolff gave an update on the building project. Treasurer Danberry inquired about the timeline. There was discussion by the board about the project timeline being ready in time for the coming school year. Mr. Wolff indicated that the timeline will be tight, but that we are still planning to open in the fall. There is an acknowledgement that sometimes inspections and certification can take longer than expected. Mr. Wolff advised that moving forward with full confidence is the best course of action and that in general the public is understanding of delays beyond our control.

B. Promotional Event for Enrollment GSRP Young 5s Kinder March 21st

Nottawa will be providing sign-up for our new GSRP and Young 5s Kindergarten program at the county wide promotional event.

C. Kindergarten Round-up April 23rd

Mr. Wolff shared highlights and marketing plans for our annual Kindergarten Round-up.

D. District Signage

In anticipation of our expansion multiple quotes have been gathered for directional signage. President Rosenbaum recommended that the building sub committee (Brandon and Hochstetler) select the best two proposals and request a mock-up of signage for the next board of education meeting.

E. Stone School Utilities

Nottawa Community School will resume the responsibilities of utilities for the Stone School in next year's budget. This is the remaining carryover from the ISD when the Stone School when it was leased by Dick Cripe. The past utilities have been minimal due to a lack of building usage.

F. Bookhouse and 29 d(6) Stabilization Fund

Mr. Wolff recommended that the board use the stabilization funds from section 29 d(6) to make much needed maintenance improvements to the bookhouse.

G. GSRP Application Update

Nottawa's application is in process. We will furnish various components of the application as we are able. We are hopeful that onsite inspections may begin in June or July.

H. Connectivity Survey

Mr. Wolff shared with the board the student connectivity survey. This survey simply looks at whether students have at least two adults they could approach if they were in trouble or needed help.

I. Superintendent Survey

The results of the superintendent survey were shared with the Board of Education. This survey was provided to all staff, with 22 of 25 employees completing the survey. Each component of the survey directly corresponds with the MASB Superintendent evaluation. The format of this year's survey was altered to reflect changes in the law. Additionally, the survey included open ended comment opportunities for each section, as well as a section to make open comment to leadership about the future direction of the school district.

J. MASB Ideas Recommendations Board Practices April

Treasurer Danberry has been attending board classes. In an effort to maintain our board's continuous improvement Mrs. Danberry and Mr. Wolff will present in April a variety of ideas to aide the board in practice as we continue to serve the community.

K. PowerSchool Breach Update

Mr. Wolff informed the board that in an effort to maintain appropriate responsiveness to PowerSchool's data breach that the SJC ISD Technology Consortium recommended engaging SET SEG to hire legal representation as well as liabilities to project the district in response. Mr. Wolff reported that he has approved the deductible for this service at a cost of \$15,000. Mr. Wolff noted a single issue of litigation, even though the district is not liable for the data breach, would far exceed the cost of the deductible.

L. Legal Update(s)

Mr. Wolff shared legal updates as provided by THRUN Law. Following legal updates President Rosenbaum redirected the board to agenda item D, the evaluation of the superintendent.

VIII. Other

IX. Adjourn

Motion by Rosenbaum and support by Hochstetler to adjourn at 9:57 PM. Motion Carried 3-0

VISION

"Nottawa Community School will encourage the involvement of parents and community to embrace a shared purpose in the education of our students to become problem solving, responsible, and contributing members of society."