

OAKES PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023  
7:00 AM OAKES CENTRAL CONFERENCE ROOM

Call to Order: Sonia Meehl called the meeting to order at 6:58 am. Those present were President Sonia Meehl, Rhonda Day, Sheila Nagel, Monica Heimbuch, Anna Sell and Shannon Jepson. Also joining were Greg Dobitz, Brandon Bata, Roxane Miller, Emily Petersen, Dave Ehrlin, Kayla Meierotto and Jeff Miller. Joining via zoom was Allie Lynch, Jordyn Lynch, Kylie Weber, Becca Roberts and Vickie Kelly.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Minutes for May 4 and May 8 Negotiations Meeting minutes were added. Heimbuch made motion to approve agenda, Nagel second. Motion Passed.

Acknowledged thank you letter from CHI Oakes Hospital.

Consent Agenda: Includes April 11 and April 26 meeting minutes, review of April bills, April financial reports, Superintendents report and Business Manager's report. Nagel made a motion to accept the meeting minutes bills and financial reports. Day second. Motion passed. The Superintendents report and Business Managers report were accepted.

Student Achievement: Anna explained the grade level benchmarks. (Robert Thorpe joined zoom at 7:08 am) Both Greg Dobitz and Brandon Bata explained the students' scores. Anna Sell explained a new learning management platform for PCBL based schools.

Staff Spotlight: Roxane Miller and Emily Petersen (3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers) gave a presentation on how they use Habits of Minds in their classrooms.

Regular Meeting:

Committee Meeting/Reports

Facilities: Lori from ICS joined via zoom. She gave a brief overview of the data that was collected.

Committee Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2023, minutes are included.

Science Floor Update: Pre-Construction meeting was held with all parties on April 20, 2023. They will start construction on the second floor starting May 22, 2023.

Lobby Roof: Hub City Roofing came in and fixed roof Thursday, May 4, 2023. Have filed for insurance claim on the resulting leakage of roof.

President Sonia Meehl moved Negotiations to end of meeting so we can continue while public was here.

Wellness Committee: Committee met on April 21, 2023, and completed the Wellness Policy Assessment. Nagel made motion to accept Wellness Assessment, Heimbuch second. Motion passed.

Leadership Committee: Will meet May 15, 2023.

Curriculum Committee: Will meet May 17, 2023.

Technology Committee: Will meet May 11, 2023.

School Policy: First Reading of Certified Leave Policy DDAF. Heimbuch made a motion to approve the first reading of the Certified Leave policy as presented. Day seconded. Roll Call taken. Motion passed 5-0.

Business: Continuity of Services Plan. No changes from the last plan. Nagel made a motion to accept. Day second. Motion passed.

22-23 Calendar: Made changes to calendar reflecting April snow days. Day made motion to accept calendar changes, Heimbuch second. Motion passed.

Staffing:

Resignations: Heimbuch made a motion to accept the resignation of Brandon Bata as high school principal. Nagel second. Motion passed. Nagel made a motion to accept the resignation of Alicia Bata, with the

provision that she reimburses the district \$3,103.62 for the promissory note for her advanced degree tuition. Day second. Motion passed. The Bata's were thanked for their years of service to Oakes Public Schools and the board wished them luck in their new positions. Resignation was received from Hot Lunch program administrative assistant Makenzie Wertz. Superintendent Sell said she will be missed as she was a valuable employee.

New Contracts: Day made motion, Heimbuch second to approve 23-24 teacher contracts to Jordyn Kelly, Eleanor Steele, and Jaidyn Sander. Motion passed.

Open Positions: Bus Transportation Supervisor, Elementary Teacher and Hot Lunch Administrative Assistant. Along with various other coaching positions.

Budget Amendment: Nagel made a motion to accept budget amendments to reflect the addition of two grants and the related expenses. Day second. Motion passed.

Future Agenda:

2019-2021 Financial audit results are scheduled in June. ICS will have data collected and will present. It was confirmed with Lori if (ICS) that we could meet on June 7, 2023, at 6:30 pm to review information.

Negotiations: Heimbuch motioned to proceed to Executive Session for negotiation strategy pursuant to NDCC 44-04-19.1(9). Nagel second. Motion passed. Entered Executive session at 8:16 am.

Returned from executive session at 8:48 am. Nagel made a motion to decline the latest proposal from OEA and give them until noon, Wednesday, May 10, 2023, to accept the last Oakes Negotiations Committee proposal and will provide definition of Emergency Leave and include Other Leave approved leave protection. Roll call was taken. Motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 am.

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Sonia Meehl, Board President

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Shannon Jepson, Business Manager

Approved Bills:

Monilaws, John \$475.98, Commercial Credit Card \$96,66.26, Enderlin Public Schools \$150.00, Region VI Music \$300.00, CHI Oakes Community Clinic \$230.00, Corner C Store \$164.44, Dakota Improvement \$5,385.00, Dakota Water Solutions \$150.00, Dickey Rural Networks \$1,061.90, Economy Propane \$378.00, Everspring Inn and Suites \$176.40, Follett Content Solutions \$507.45, Hagen, Laurie \$1,859.00, I3G Media \$100.00, Kustom Machine, Inc \$27.11, ND Safety Council \$45.00, City of Oakes \$1,304.50, Oakes Times \$1236.89, Oakes Truck & Trailer \$4,597.01, Ottetail Power \$17,332.24, Parts Supply \$305.57, Praska's Hardware \$115.90, Ramkota Hotel \$176.40, Sanford Health \$54.00, Sheyenne Valley Special Ed \$23,520.89, Tornado Stop \$5,255.73, Wentworth, John \$10.20, Chad's Electric \$431.93, Aramark Uniform Services \$219.26, DPI \$1,040.03, East Side Jersey \$2270.12, USFoods \$9,171.48, Allard Trophy \$19.75, Angry Beaver Lodge \$132.90, BSN \$1,869.86, Dobitz, Greg \$94.56, Gerrells Sports Center \$271.72, City of Oakes \$54.50, Ottetail Power \$31.31, Paul, Robin \$147.76, Popplers Music \$45.00, Power Play \$705.00, Schieler, Elizabeth \$60.26, Tornado Stop \$22.70, USFoods \$61.07, ND Safety Council \$45.00, NDSCS \$900.00, USFoods \$1166.07, Warren Kathryn \$58.59, NDSCS \$90.00, Carlblom, Scott \$122.50, Clark School District \$100.00, Kiwanis Track Meet \$200.00, Larson, Christopher \$173.59, Redfield

Public Schools \$80.00, A&B Business \$4,502.49, Bound to Stay Bound \$573.76, Bruhn, Kalli \$31.66, CREA \$750.00, FM Redhawks \$360.00, Image Printing & Graphics \$668.22, Millers Fresh Foods \$231.50, Sell, Anna \$75.98, WexHealth \$79.25, Eastside Jersey \$744.87, USFoods \$8502.41, Adair, Patrick \$145.66, Allard Trophy \$403.25, Ellendale Public Schools \$175.00, Gerrells Sports Center \$135.00, Litchville Marion PSD \$200.00, Olson, Eric \$93.00, Ottertail Power \$81.03, Training Room \$118.37, USFoods \$624.71, Harris, Bethany \$50.00, Oakes Area Chamber of Commerce \$50.00, USFoods \$142.68.