

THE HARRIS-LAKE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MET IN THE COMMONS OF THE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL ON MAY 18TH, 2020 AT 5:00PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING. PRESENT WERE THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: Directors Goodell, Carstensen, Elser, Hibma and Stahly. Superintendent Irwin, Principal Hiemstra and Secretary Gunderson were also in attendance.

The Board recited the pledge of allegiance.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Stahly at 5:00pm.

A motion was made by Director Elser, seconded by Stahly to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried 5-0.

Director Hibma made a motion, seconded by Elser, that the Board approve the bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$311,748.86, bills from the Activity Fund in the amount of \$813.50, the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$1,323.25 and from the Food Service Fund in the amount of \$2,866.69 and also approve the minutes, Secretary's Reports, Activity and Food Service Reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Elementary Principal, Andy Irwin, reported on Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup> students and parents were allowed to pick up their items between 4-7pm. Social Distancing was enforced. If parents were unable to pick up their student's items, alternative options are available. Teachers were in the building a week prior to organize items. Mr. Irwin completed his coursework for his PK-4 endorsement so he now has a permanent elementary principal endorsement. He is a certified PK-12 Principal and as well as a PK-12 Superintendent.

Secondary Principal, Greg Hiemstra, reported the teachers were in the building last week to take items home and prepare for the start of the next school year. The seniors were in on Friday to clean lockers, turn in laptops and fill out scholarship forms. It was an emotional day for the seniors. Graduation will take place on June 28<sup>th</sup> regardless. We are working on professional development days. All of them will be geared toward starting school next year and the "Return to Learn" plan. The 6<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> grades will be in next week to clean out their lockers, hand in chromebooks, textbooks, library books etc.

Superintendent Irwin has been working on the "Return to Learn" plan. Step 1 is a required on-line learning plan that includes all items needed for accreditation standards. We need to create a plan so we have what the state needs in place in case we can't start school in the fall or there is a resurgence. This will not be a voluntary plan like we had before. The Return to Learn plan is due by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The DLT (District Leadership Team) met this morning to discuss the on line learning platform. We need all staff to have the same platform so they will be using google classroom. Professional development is set for more training on google classroom. We will work with ANP to take care of some of the tech issues experienced during the shutdown. We will need to purchase new tablets/ipads for the PK-2 grades and those grades will also need Gmail addresses. We will need to check on connectivity in the community and possibly amplify the school WIFI and create hot spots. The custodians started back this week. They will clean the elementary first and then work on the high school.

Director Elser made a motion, seconded by Hibma to approve the Library Sharing Agreement with the Sibley-Ocheyedan CSD for fiscal year 20-21. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board discussed the 20-21 district calendar. The last time the Board met on May 5<sup>th</sup> the governor had waived the start date. But after more clarification, if school starts before August 23<sup>rd</sup> those days are in excess of the minimum instructional time. Any start time before the August 23<sup>rd</sup> start date we would have to add instructional days and teacher contract days. Because of this we will keep our approved 20-21 calendar with a start date of August 24<sup>th</sup>. Students will start classes in the fall in the previous year's classroom for a short time to provide closure in that grade and prepare for the next grade level.

The Board discussed resurfacing to the North Parking lot at the MS/HS. Superintendent Irwin was approached by the City of Lake Park regarding the resurfacing project.

President Stahly adjourned the regular meeting at 5:40pm.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on June 15th, 2020 at 6:00pm.

The Board entered into exempt session for negotiations at 5:42pm until 6:21pm.

Mindy Gunderson  
Board Secretary

Doug Stahly  
President, Board of Education