

Pending Approval

The regular meeting of the Conestoga Board of Education was held Tuesday, July 14, 2020, at the Conestoga High School, 8404 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, Murray, NE. Scott Moore, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were Board Members Jason Nolting, Allison Welch, Scott Moore, David Duzik, Tracey Priefert, and Dean Nickels; Present Administrators Eric Dennis, Amanda Wright, Rob Geise, and Superintendent Beth Johnsen. Activities Director Jason Ahrens., 7 visitors in attendance and 45 visitors joined via zoom platform.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. A current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice.

At the beginning of this meeting, Scott Moore, President, announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available in pamphlet form and on the hall wall at the District Office.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by David Duzik to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, June 9, 2020, regular meeting of the Board of Education. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Jason Nolting, second by Tracey Priefert to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Claim clarification on July claim amount.

Motion by Tracey Priefert, second by Jason Nolting to excuse the absence of Dean Nickels. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

The agenda was set as presented.

Dean Nickels entered meeting at 7:25 p.m.

#### **SCHEDULED AUDIENCE:**

Pam Hart and Shawna Caniglia with Happy Hearts daycare. Presented questions and concerns pertaining to the re-opening possibilities of the daycare. Safety/practices and procedures will need to be in place before opening, along with the DHHS inspection with the installation of the new water heater.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Building Project Committee presented an architect firm bid for pre bond work and services provided.

## **REPORTS:**

### Eric Dennis:

1. Class sizes for the 2020-2021 school year, 4<sup>th</sup> grade class is the largest at 60 students. Plan to add an additional 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher
2. Still working out details of the scheduled school day plan, in terms of infection control.
3. Building looks great, new gym floor and painted walls.

### Rob Geise:

1. Graduation was successful, due to copyright issues music was not broadcasted. Thank you to custodial staff, Mrs. Svanda and Mrs. Schlichtemeier for helping making graduation a success.
2. ACT, September 12 new date set for last year's Juniors.
3. Additions and deletions to Jr./Sr. handbook. Will apply changes to pg. 31 in Teacher handbook.

### Amanda Wright:

1. Sent letter to families with students that have underlying health conditions. Will create individual plans for those students.

### Jason Ahrens:

1. Review of NSAA guidelines, state is on phase 3 with returning to activities.
2. Increased number in weight room and camps this summer.
3. Projected fall numbers; Cross Country- 16, Football- 22, Softball- 20 (9 Conestoga, 11 Louisville), Volleyball -19.

### Beth Johnsen:

1. 4<sup>th</sup> grade moving to 4 sections of classes.
2. Summer building projects nearly complete. Painting of stadium wall, High School outside entrance ceiling, elementary gym and gym floor was screened and repainted.
3. Schedule Budget and Finance and Negotiations Committee meetings.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Accreditation for 2020-2021 school year, rule 10 is waived for the year.
2. Harry A. Koch; no additional insurance will be needed for COVID-19 liability. Harry A. Koch information included on property renewal and recommended adjustments to our policy.

3. Conestoga's Re Opening plan was presented to the board to gather Board support. The school district will continue to take guidance from the Cass County health department and stay consistent with CDC guidelines. The Re Opening matrix will be used as a guide and updated as soon as anything changes.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Motion by Allison Welch, second by Tracey Priefert to approve policy 4003 drug policy regarding drivers. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Dean Nickels, second by David Duzik to approve the district calendar to adjust teacher staff development days. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Tracey Priefert, second by Allison Welch to approve support of the Board with the Re Opening plan and verbiage changes to enforce the wear of masks verse encourage the wear of masks when students cannot maintain social distancing. Motion carried 5-1 by roll call vote.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by Dean Nickels to approve the Elementary and Secondary handbooks. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Allison Welch, second by Dean Nickels to approve Patty Clawson as a local substitute. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by Tracey Priefert, second by Allison Welch to approve the proposal from DLR architect for \$15,000 for presented services. Motion carried 5-1 by roll call vote.

#### **FUTURE DATES:**

August 11, 2020	Board Meeting.
August 18,2020	1st day of school for students .

Motion by Dean Nickels, second by Jason Nolting to adjourn as there was no further business to be brought before the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. President Scott Moore adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.