

UNDERWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

February 13, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: JEFF BONSALE, MATT BRUMMETT, ERIN JOHNSON, TERESA MACE

MEMBERS ABSENT: RICK LARSON

ADMIN. PRESENT: ANDY IRWIN, TYLER HAMILTON, MATT MCDONOUGH

OTHERS PRESENT: LORI LEHAN, JENNY LIDGETT, JILL TETEN, JENNIFER WEAVER

President Bonsalle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Brummett moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Johnson, motion carried 4-0.

A public hearing was held for the proposed 2023-24 school calendar. Public comment inquired if Eagle Care could be an option on days scheduled for full professional development. Brummett moved to table the school calendar until the regular board meeting in March, seconded by Johnson, motion carried 4-0.

Mace moved to approve the bills for payment, approval of the financial reports and approval of the minutes of January 9, 2023, February 8, 2023, February 8, 2023 Work Session and February 9, 2023 meetings as presented, seconded by Johnson, motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Report:

- Work Session scheduled for February 15, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. with Sitelogic presenting on the facility study.
- Legislative Update including passing of 3% state percent of growth rate for the state cost per pupil and categorical cost per pupil.
- WIC Conference discussion taking place on whether there should be any conference changes, or adjustments.
- Speaker on March 15, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. presenting at the high school for all staff professional development.

Elementary School Principal/Curriculum Director's Report:

- Valentine's Parties on February 14, 2023
- Read Across America Planning
- Professional development on gathering math and reading data to share with parents

Middle School Principal/Activity Director's Report:

- Winter Pep Rally
- Wrestling Update
- Girls' and Boys' Basketball Update
- Jump Rope for Heart Update
- 8th Graders Working on Optimist Speeches

High School Principal/Curriculum Director's Report:

- Avenue Scholars Update – They line up meetings and places for students to visit who are going into a trade and are part of this program. They may also take a class at IWCC.
- Niche ranking – Underwood ranked #20 for Best School Districts in Iowa out of 302 schools.

Johnsen moved to accept the following resignations: Brittany Seely as an elementary school associate effective March 3rd, 2023, Dixie Pingel as the elementary school secretary effective January 9, 2024 and Lois Johnson as the middle school leadership sponsor at the end of the 2022-23 school year, seconded by Brummett, motion carried 4-0.

Mace moved to approve the hiring of Wyatt McAlpin as a junior high track coach, Isaiah Humphrey as an assistant baseball coach, Alex Martinez as an assistant softball coach for the 2022-23 seasons and the hiring of Brittany Hermsen as the high school science teacher with a \$2000 bonus for the 2023-2024 school year, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Mace moved to approve John Tiarks as a volunteer assistant football coach for the 2023-24 season and Trey Wiese as a volunteer assistant football coach for the 2023-24 season, pending attaining his coaching authorization, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Brummett moved to approve adding Board Policies 601.3 School Day, 602.17 Technology and Instructional Materials, 602.20 School Library, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Preliminary Budget Information for the 2023/2024 school year was shared.

Brummett moved to approve the first reading of Board Policy 405.11 Licensed Employee Professional Development, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Brummett moved to adjourn, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0. Board President Bonsall declared the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

The Board of Directors met under Chapter 20.17(3) of the Code of Iowa to discuss negotiations strategies.

These minutes are as recorded by the board secretary and subject to approval at the next regular board meeting. Lori Lehan, Board Secretary.