

UNDERWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

February 12, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: JEFF BONSALL, MATT BRUMMETT, ERIN JOHNSEN, MITCH KAY

MEMBERS ABSENT: TERESA MACE

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

OTHERS PRESENT: KIM GOERING, JESSICA JAY, MIKE NEWMAN, MICHELLE KAY, KATHY HUFF, KYLE RODENBURG,
ANNE WOHLERS, JENNY LIDGETT

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

No public presenter.

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

Brummett moved to approve the bills for payment, and approval of the board minutes for January 17, 2024 and February 1st, 2024 as presented, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Report:

- Provided a legislative update including the AEA bill, teacher pay, and funnel week

Principals' Report:

- Elementary provided upcoming information regarding kindergarten round up, kids for a cure fundraiser, and read across America week
- Middle School included information about increased support for students that might be in need of extra academic assistance.
- High School information about the music trip to New Orleans March 22 - 25, 2024. Information regarding the student Washington DC trip in 2025. Students and parents met with a representative to receive information about scholarship opportunities.
- Activities upcoming include the dance showcase at the high school, State Wrestling, and boy basketball tournament games.

No resignations for approval

No contracts for approval

Brummett move to approve the 2nd Reading Board Policy: 403.5 Voluntary Retirement of Certificated Staff Members June 30, 2024, 2nd Reading Board Policy: 403.5 Voluntary Retirement of Certificated Staff Members June 30, 2025 with a limit of two on the number of certificated employees applying for retirement benefit, seconded by Kay, motion carried 4-0

Preliminary Budget Information:

State supplemental aid has not been set, legislative indications point to 2.5-3% increase. 1st Hearing - maximum property tax budget decisions by March 15 due to DOM taxpayer notice mailed March 20, set hearing for March 25th 2nd Hearing - final property tax and other budget decisions by April 1-15, set hearing date April 30 or before allowing for 10 to 20 day publication window. Budget Guarantee - We will have to pass a resolution to keep funding at the same rate despite losing certified enrollment (-30.4). If a district has a budgeted regular program cost that is less than 101 percent of the previous year's regular program cost, the district, with board approval through resolution, may receive a budget adjustment to

increase the total regular program funding to an amount that is 101 percent of the prior year's regular program funding. A district may be in this situation and be eligible if district enrollment decreases are greater than the impact of the state percent of growth or increase from one year to the next. The budget adjustment is funded entirely through local property taxes.

Discussion of Activities Director/Transportation Director/Communication Position:

To proceed with this administrative realignment position we are required to post the position on Iowa Workforce website. We can indicate it will be filled internally. We can't offer a new contract until March 15th to an internal candidate.

Kay moved to approve Site Logic for November 2024 bond referendum support not to exceed \$35,000, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Brummett moved to approve receiving competitive quotes to install new bleachers in the high school competition gym, seconded by Johnsen, motion carried 4-0.

Kay move to approve Prairie Mechanical for cooling tower piping replacement, 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 7:52 p.m.

These minutes are as recorded by the AD/MS Secretary Kim Goering and subject to approval at the next regular board meeting.

Jeff Bonsall Underwood Board of Education President

Date