

During the June 14 meeting, the Johnson-Brock Board of Education accepted the resignation of Nikki Hayes as Guidance Counselor for the 2010-11 school year.

Meeting Action Items

The board also accepted a bid from Electronic Contracting for \$4,900 to replace the sound system at the football field and another from Omaha Stage Equipment, Inc., in the amount of \$8,521.47 for the replacement of the stage backdrop curtains.

Board members adopted the new state academic standards in the subject area of math, approved changes to the 2010-11 Student and Faculty handbooks, and approved the final reading of a policy regarding dating violation.

Superintendent Arlan Andreesen was appointed as the district's federal and state program representative for the 2010-11 school year beginning July 1, 2010.

Superintendent's Report

In the Superintendent's report, Andreesen updated the board regarding summer projects and asked for recommendations regarding the numerous old trophies stored above the kitchen.

Andreesen explained that the cheerleaders have always been self-funded, even though cheerleading is an NSAA sanctioned school activity and asked for consideration of partially funding the cheerleading program's expenses. Principal Jacquelyn Kelsay will check with other area schools to seek information regarding their cheerleading programs.

Andreesen reported that two buses would be picked up for recall work to be done in Omaha and noted that when a new bus is purchased, the school's drivers agreed that Bus No. 8 should be the one to trade or sell even though it isn't the oldest vehicle in the fleet.

The Superintendent explained that the Electric Vehicle Program has always been self-funded, even though two curriculum classes are taught for building and testing of the vehicles. He recommended the Board consider at least partially funding the expense of the program.

Andreesen indicated he would have an item on the July meeting agenda to provide family health insurance for the technology coordinator position. He explained the salary considerations of the position as the only support staff position to be paid a salary instead of an hourly wage.

Andreesen reported the resolution calling for a levy override election in November is scheduled to be placed on the July 12 meeting agenda. He recommended each board member contact three or four people to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee. Because of the increased property valuations and current state aid received, a levy override is not needed for additional funding for the next year, or two, at least. Discussion was held regarding whether to ask the voters to once again authorize a levy override for future years. It was decided to not place the override on the ballot for the 2010 General Election and to wait until valuations level off and/or state aid decreases before consideration is given to doing so.

The Superintendent updated the Board on negotiations across the state to date. It was decided to ask the teachers to meet at 6 p.m. prior to the July 12 Board meeting at 8 p.m.

Andreesen reported on the status of interviews for the counselor position and noted that the final interviews couldn't be conducted for a few days because the candidates for the position were going to be out of town that week.

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An overview of the financial status of the lunch fund was given for consideration of transfer of funds before the end of the fiscal year.

Andreesen described a program for purchasing used vans through a rental agency in Lincoln. He recommended that a member of the Transportation Committee accompany him to look at the vans when they are made available to purchase.

Principal's Report

Principal Kelsay's report included information regarding the D.A.R.E. program for 2010-11, report cards, proposed handbook changes, and the Music Department's trip to Washington D.C. taken at the end of May. Kelsay made available a copy of the State Math Standards for which the Board's approval was needed later. Information for review of the high school's Instructional Unit Program Report was provided.

The Board met in executive session for about 50 minutes.