

MINUTES OF THE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
IKM-MANNING COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011
7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

IKM-Manning Directors Present: Amy Ferneding, David Heller, Scott Hodne, Kenny Juhl, Dennis Kasparbauer, Eric Ramsey, Lynn Barry

IKM-Manning Directors Absent: None

Administrators Present: Superintendent Dr. Thomas Ward, Principals Wendy Hammrich, Brian Wall, Sharon Whitson, Curriculum Director Denise Wall, Technology Coordinators LuAnn Langel and Shelley Foster, Student Representatives Patrick Bruck and Elizabeth Halbur

Secretary: Mary Heller

Guests: Erica Bunker, DeEtte Grabill, Karmen Grabill, Brooke Kahl, Tracy Kahl, Wendel Kahl, Cathy Lage, Ashley Lohrmann, Shari Lohrmann, Greg Polzien, Paige Sybesma, Travis Sybesma

Location: IKM-Manning Central Office in Manilla

Call Regular Meeting to Order/Approve Agenda

President Dennis Kasparbauer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced the agenda. Hodne made the motion seconded by Ferneding to approve the agenda with a change of movement of item 6.3 Approve Early Graduation Request to the 1st item on the agenda prior to Communications, and the motion carried unanimously.

6.3 Approve Early Graduation Requests. Superintendent Ward noted early graduation requests from the following students: Erica Bunker, Karmen Grabill, MaKayla Irlbeck, Brooke Kahl, Ashley Lohrmann, and Paige Sybesma. Each student present explained to the board their reason for the Early Graduation Request. Hodne made the motion seconded by Barry to approve the early graduation requests from these students providing all graduation requirements are met, with the understanding that these students will not be able to attend prom, but will be able to attend all graduation activities in May, 2012. The motion carried unanimously. Principal Wall noted taking a CPR class prior to graduation is a requirement and that the district offers this class.

Communications

Mary Heller thanked Superintendent Ward, Amy Osborne, Barb Willenborg and the Board, on behalf of she and Beth Dickson, for the understanding, acts of kindness, and flowers, at the time of the loss of their brother.

Superintendent Ward shared a thank you for good wishes and flowers from Gerri Ann Wagner at the time of the loss of her mother.

Administration Reports

Principal Hammrich shared data in relation to attendance of the IKM-Manning Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences and noted participation in, and winners of, the Crawford County Soil Conservation Poster Contest competition in the Elementary.

Principal Whitson shared data in relation to attendance of the IKM-Manning Middle School Parent Teacher Conferences; noted there are many Silver and Gold Honor Roll students in the Middle School

and that staff continues to work with students on the down list; mentioned recent and upcoming 5-8 activities which include, a “Mad About Money” assembly; 7th & 8th grade dance; 5th & 6th grade fun night; the beginning of basketball season; a meeting of 8th grade band students to discuss the Washington, D.C. trip wherein they would like 38 students and will open this up to 7th grade band students; and the Veterans Day Program scheduled for tomorrow, noting that 37 veterans will be in attendance for the program and a meal afterward. She invited the board to attend the Veterans Day Program and meal.

Principal Wall discussed Parent-Teacher Conferences in the high school, stating there was better attendance this year than in past years and noted the end of fall sports and beginning of winter sports.

Curriculum Director Denise Wall presented to the board achievement data showing IKM-Manning percentages of students in Low Performance, Intermediate Performance, and High Performance levels in the areas of Reading, Math and Science. She noted her appreciation for this information which was put together by board member David Heller.

Curriculum Director Denise Wall and LuAnn Langel, on behalf of the Iowa Core Leadership Team, presented information to the board at this time with reference to Iowa Core 6 Outcomes and reviewed the Iowa Core Vision Statement, which is also the IKM-Manning School Mission Statement and is as follows:

“Leading and Challenging Our Students to Excel Through Rigorous and Relevant Instruction”

Student Representatives Patrick Bruck and Liz Halbur noted the following upcoming activities: The beginning of Girls’ and Boys’ basketball practices and the scrimmage next week for girls; the NHS can drive; the HS Musical that went very well; Large Group Speech; Jazz, Pep and Concert Band with Mr. Fiscus, in the absence of Mr. Struve due to surgery; the Haunted Corn Maze; and the Student Suggestion Box that will be placed in the HS Library.

Superintendent Ward commended Kevin McConnell and Mark Schmitt for a great job in the absence of Dave Rohe, due to surgery. He then discussed IKM-Manning high insurance claims for the 1st Quarter of the IKM-Manning district, recommending participation in “Compass Professional Health Services”, to educate employees, give Employees options for Wellness programs, and hopefully lower costs by making smarter decisions. General consensus of the board is to participate in this program for a quarter and evaluate the savings on health care costs. This program for employees is at a cost of \$5 per employee, \$750 per month District cost. The total for a quarter would be \$3,000.

Discussion Items

Superintendent Ward discussed the surveys used to determine where we are in technology and where we need to go, sharing the survey results with board members. The goal of the IKM-Manning district is to have one computer per student, as Twenty First Century teaching and learning will be a major focus. Through Professional Development teachers will realize how technology can be utilized to enhance their teaching abilities and improve student learning. Technology is of utmost importance, will be an ongoing process, and Superintendent Ward will keep the board updated.

Action items

Approve Consent Agenda.

The consent items were presented to board members prior to the meeting, for their inspection. Barry

made the motion seconded by Hodne to approve consent items A through E as follows, and the motion carried unanimously:

6.1 Approve Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes
- B. The payment of October 2011 bills in the Operating Fund in the amount of \$83,459.19, in the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$193.90, in the Management Fund in the amount of \$353.00, in the Activity Fund in the amount of \$17,419.70, and in the Nutrition Fund in the amount of \$25,463.29.
- C-E. Activity, Food Service, and Board Secretary/Manager Reports, to approve the monthly financial statements for the Operating, Management, Capital Projects, Debt Service, PPEL, Activity, and Nutrition Funds, of the IKM-Manning Community School for the month of October, 2011.

6.2 Approve Purchase of Telephone Upgrade for Manning Campus. After discussion, Hodne made the motion seconded by Barry to accept the bid from FMCTC for upgrading of the Manning Campus telephone system in the amount of \$6,362.80 through PPEL Funds and the motion carried unanimously.

6.3 Approve Early Graduation Requests. Moved to 1st Item on Agenda.

6.4 Approve Comprehensive School Improvement Plan and APR. Hodne made the motion seconded by Juhl to approve the IKM and Manning 2010-2011 Annual Progress Reports (APR), and Comprehensive School Improvements Plans (CSIP) and the motion carried unanimously.

6.5 Approve Cooperative Sponsorship for Wrestling with Carroll CSD. Ferneding made the motion seconded by Hodne to approve a 2011-2012 Cooperative Wrestling Agreement with the Carroll Community School District and the motion carried unanimously. The district will not provide transportation for this program.

6.6 Approve Board Representation on In-Service Committee. Hodne made the motion seconded by Heller to approve Wendy Hammrich and Sharon Whitson as board representatives to the In-Service Committee as stated in the IKM-Manning Master Contract and the motion carried unanimously.

Board Reports.

The IASB Conference is November 16, and 17. Reservations have been made for those attending. The Board Forum at Mapleton is Wednesday, November 16, at 6:30 p.m. Career Diploma Applications will be an agenda item for the December 15, 2011 meeting of the board which will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the IKM-Manning Central Office in Manilla.

Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting, Hodne made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting seconded by Ramsey and the motion carried unanimously. The regular meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Denny Kasparbauer, President

Attest:

Mary K. Heller, Secretary