



Mastering New Worlds

**Manson Northwest Webster Community School
Board of Education Meeting
March 17, 2011**

The Manson Northwest Webster School Board held their regular business board meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2011, in the board room in the administration building.

President Paterson opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Paterson, DeWall, Johnson, Swartzendruber, Jacobsen. Absent: Hewitt, Lawler.

Others present: Supt. Egli, Board Secretary Schroeder, Business Mgrs./Treas. Wood and Davis.

Motion by Swartzendruber, second by DeWall, to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Paterson welcomed the group and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Motion by DeWall, second by Johnson, to approve the reports, bills and minutes of 02/16 business meeting and 03/03 education meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

Communication:

The Iowa High School Athletic Association Sportsmanship ratings for the basketball and wrestling seasons were received. Coaches, spectators and athletes' ratings were close to excellent for both sports. They were above the state average for basketball and slightly below for wrestling but both were in the good to excellent range.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Swartzendruber, to approve the second reading of the following policies:

505.1 – 505.14 Portion of Students Section

All ayes, motion carried.

At 7:15 p.m., Mr. Paterson opened the public hearing for the early start date for the 2011-2012 school year. The early start date proposed is August 22, 2011. No public was present. Mr. Paterson closed the public meeting.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the early start date for August 22, 2011, as the first day of the 2011-2012 school year. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Paterson opened the public hearing for the 2011-2012 budget at 7:30 p.m. No public was present. Mr. Paterson closed the public hearing.

Motion by DeWall, second by Swartzendruber, to adopt the proposed 2011-2012 budget of 13,957,395, with a tax rate of 10.89819. Superintendent Egli noted that this is a drop of over 1.5 per thousand from last year's rate of 12.48640. Egli expressed the possible need for a .5 PPEL vote in the fall to fund the District's computer initiative. Even with that, the MNW tax rate would still be the lowest in the area. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by DeWall, to approve the resolution that the Board of Directors of Manson Northwest Webster Community School District will levy property tax for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Swartzendruber, to approve the 2011-2012 school calendar. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Swartzendruber, second by Johnson, to approve intrafund transfers within the Activity Fund. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by DeWall, second by Jacobsen, to approve the following open enrollment request:
1 female, grade 4, in from Fort Dodge for the 10-11 school year due to move of residence.
All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Swartzendruber, to approve the following contracts:
Mallory Peterson, Teacher, Lane BA, Step 1, \$26,380, pending receipt of license, and contracts will be adjusted after negotiations are completed;
Brenda Dobson, Transportation Director, \$11,025, pending receipt of satisfactory background check;
James Francois, Bus Mechanic, \$27,500, pending receipt of satisfactory background check;
Andrea Grady, JH Softball Coach, Lane D, Step 5, \$1,482, pending receipt of license;
Wendy Herzberg, JH Softball Coach, Lane D, Step 11, \$1,692;
Jana Hock, Asst. Softball Coach, Lane C, Step 1, \$1,610, pending receipt of license.
All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by DeWall, second by Jacobsen, to approve Jana Hoch, Dr. Steve Leppert, Tim Larson and Randy Besch as open gym sponsors. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by DeWall, second by Swartzendruber, to approve an application for sharing boys' soccer with Fort Dodge. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by DeWall, second by Johnson, to approve the first reading of the following policies:
504.11 – Wellness Policy
All ayes, motion carried.

Comments:

The Board wanted to congratulate the National History Day Team of Jordan Neumann and Emily Mallinger for making it to State National History Day on April 25th. Also congratulations to the State Speech contestants for making it to All State Speech, which will be held on Monday, March 28th. Supt. Egli shared with the group that several students and staff members have been working to renovate a house for the Langstaff family to move into at the end of the month. Brian Nelson has been in charge of the project. Egli commented that he will be meeting with a board committee from Prairie Valley to discuss the possibility of sharing his services on a part time basis to oversee their finances.

Motion by Swartzendruber, second by DeWall, to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President