

## Newton Community School Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting

E. J. H. Beard Administration Center

East Conference Room

October 10, 2016 – 7:30 PM

## MINUTES

### Call to Order

Travis Padget convened the board to order at 7:30 PM

### Roll Call

**Present:** Sheri Benson, Josh Cantu, Andrew Elbert, Robyn Friedman, Ann Leonard, Travis Padget, Bob Callaghan, Gayle Isaac, and Christine Dawson

**Absent:** Donna Cook

**Others Present:** Barbie Burnett, Cristy Croson, Brenda Hodnett, Curt Roorda, Deborah Rose, Matt Scotton, Sandy Scotton, Dan Sloan, Jack Sutteck, Katie Wallace, Jamee Pierson (Newton Daily News), and Randy Van (KCOB)

**Communications** – Matt Scotton was recognized as recipient of the 2016 Sports Medicine Award (IHSAA) for the services and support he has provided to our high school student athletes and athletic programs. Judy Monroe was recognized for a donation to the music department, and Community Heights Alliance Church was recognized for their donation of school supplies.

### Consent Agenda – ACTION #10013

Friedman moved, Leonard seconded to approve the consent agenda with the addition of a fundraiser request for the BMS PTSA (Cardinal Color Run & Read-a-thon). Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

**Human Resources Update** – Superintendent Bob Callaghan presented the Human Resources Update

### Certified Personnel – ACTION #10014

**Zachary Jensen** – (Contract) – Head Boys Soccer Coach (NHS) – effective 2016 – 2017 School Year

Leonard moved, Cantu seconded to approve the Certified Personnel Human Resources Update. Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

**Open Forum** – None

**Superintendent's Report** – Bob Callaghan, Superintendent

### Department Supervisor Reports

**Food Service** – Cristy Croson reported on a dairy grant; sale of equipment; and the Team Up for Success school nutrition conference

**Transportation** – Curt Roorda gave an update on bus scheduling at Berg Middle School

**Maintenance** – Jack Sutteck spoke about progress on interior signage at Emerson Hough and the EJH Beard Administration Center; reskinning of exterior sign at Berg Middle School; simplified options for exterior signage at the EJH Beard Administration Center; possibility of scrolling signs at schools that do not already have; and outcome of change orders being under budget at Emerson Hough.

**Technology** – Dan Sloan shared information on high school connectivity; Technology Committee update; I-Tech Conference; comparison of iPads / Chromebooks as NHS approaches 1:1 device replacement (2017 – 2018); Bells at Berg Middle School; Upcoming AEA Technology Coordinators meeting (October 28, 2016); and Interactive projectors.

**Learning, Leadership, and District Business** – Bob Callaghan, Superintendent and Gayle Isaac, Director of Business Services

### Consider Request for Out of State Travel – National FFA Convention – Indianapolis, Indiana (October 19 – 22, 2016) – ACTION #10015

Leonard moved, Friedman seconded to approve a request for out of state travel for FFA students to attend a national convention in Indianapolis, Indiana (October 19 – 22, 2016). The trip is self-funded, and FFA would reimburse the General Fund for fuel expenses. Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

### Consider Bond Counsel Engagement Agreement for the Proposed Issuance of \$10,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2014 – ACTION #10016

Benson moved, Cantu seconded to secure Ahlers & Cooney, PC as Bond Counsel in connection with the Issuance of \$10,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2014. Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

### Consider Nomination of a Member of the Newton CSD Board of Directors for a Candidacy on the IASB Board of Directors

No action was taken on this item, due to lack of a motion.

### Consider Board Representation at the 71<sup>st</sup> IASB Annual Convention – ACTION #10017

Friedman moved, Cantu seconded to have each board member individually contact Christine Dawson by October 24, 2016 with their registration status for the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual IASB Convention. Robyn Friedman is this year's delegate. Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

**Business Service Report** – Gayle Isaac, Director of Business Services

### Approval of Bills – ACTION #10018

Benson moved, Friedman seconded to approve the bills. Ayes: Benson, Cantu, Elbert, Friedman, Leonard, Padget Absent: Cook

**Business Services Update**

Gayle Isaac presented the Newton Community School District's FY 2016 Treasurer's Report by Fund, and presented bank account balance information. He noted a concern that the General Fund Balance went from \$3.0M to \$1.8M, and explained the challenge of state funding lack of timeliness in our budget preparations. Gayle will continue to get more people involved in the budgeting process via the Budget Committee.

**New Business – Old Business** – Bob Callaghan, Superintendent

**Future Meeting Dates:**

**Board Work Session** (October 24, 2016) – 5:30 PM (EJH Beard Admin Center); **Regular Board Meeting** (October 24, 2016) – 6:30 PM (EJH Beard Admin Center);

**Adjourn – ACTION #10019**

Leonard moved, Cantu seconded to unanimously adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM.

Minutes Mailed  
Approved by Action No. \_\_\_\_\_

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President  
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Secretary