

**June 19, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Thedford Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Licking at 7:30 p.m. at Thedford High School. Members present: Bridget Licking, Jay Jones, Spencer Burk, Alison Werner, Dixie Hoffman, and Matt Blackford. Also present: Superintendent Dahlberg and recording secretary Angie Pettit.

Werner moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

Blackford moved, Werner seconded to approve the minutes of the May 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Werner moved, Hoffman seconded to approve general expenditures totaling \$236,609.46 and motion passed 6-0.

Burk moved, Hoffman seconded to pay hot lunch expenditures of \$5,650.70 and motion passed 6-0.

Burk moved, Blackford seconded to pay QCUP fund expenditures totaling \$18,921.74 and to transfer that amount from QCUP savings to QCUP checking. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg gave an administrative report. He gave updates on final legislative items, an emergency operations plan, summer projects, the KSB presentation in August on digital citizenship and online safety, and a budget update.

There was a coop committee report which included an update on the activity bus, football field markers and paint equipment and MNAC member schools.

Licking, Burk and Werner toured the Central City facilities. Jones attended the NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan kickoff meeting. These meetings were discussed. NEMA and FEMA grants are available and pursuing these was discussed.

Licking and Werner attended the NASB conference in Kearney and reported on the sessions they attended there.

There was no public comment.

Superintendent Dahlberg brought up a technology services company in White River, SD for discussion.

Superintendent Dahlberg brought up a calendar of potential board meeting dates. These will be discussed at the July meeting.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented a teaching contract for Jemima Adjei for 7-12 Mathematics teacher. Discussion followed. Jones moved, Burk seconded to approve the teaching contract of Jemima Adjei, mathematics teacher, pending her immigration status. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented the engagement letter from Neidhardt CPA PC to perform our 2022-2023 school audit. Jones moved, Blackford seconded to approve the engagement letter from Neidhardt CPA P.C. to conduct the 2022-2023 audit for the cost of no more than \$9,200 as presented. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented letters from Andrew Christen and Jessica Polt requested donating their unused sick leave days to the sick bank. Discussion followed. Blackford moved, Werner seconded to approve the donation of unused sick leave days to the sick leave bank from Andrew Christen and Jessica Polt as requested. Motion passed 5-1. Nay: Jones

Superintendent Dahlberg presented 2023-2024 calendar changes for board approval. Discussion followed. Hoffman moved, Burk seconded to approve the change to the 2023-2024 calendar, moving the return to school from winter break to January 8<sup>th</sup> and the teacher in-service day to January 22<sup>nd</sup>, as presented. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented a Phonics Program for purchase. Discussion followed. This will be covered by ESSR funds. Jones moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the purchase of the Really Great Reading Phonics Program for a total of \$6,276 as presented. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented a price from Amazon for Chromebooks. Discussion followed. Werner moved, Jones seconded to approve the purchase of Samsung Chromebooks using ESSR funds for \$11,940 as presented and the purchase of Macbook Air and iPad Pros for \$26,667 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented quotes from Yandas on audio system upgrades. Discussion followed. ESSR funds may possibly be able to be used for these purchases. Jones moved, Werner seconded to approve the quotes from Yandas for updated football PA system at \$14,569 and updated gym audio system for \$18,993.50 as presented. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented a contract addendum for board approval. Discussion followed. Werner moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the addendum to the Superintendent Contract as discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

President Licking adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at Theford High School at 7:30 p.m. Please note the date change.