

Regular Board Meeting
October 21, 2019

The Board held the hearing on the proposed Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program. In a motion by Kunde, seconded by Feldmann the following resolution was passed:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that to continue the current level of services and to fund the ongoing programs of the School District, continuation of participation in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five years is necessary and in the best interests of the District and its residents and students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has given consideration to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa; and WHEREAS, the Board has published notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, a hearing has been held upon the proposal to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program and any objections are overruled:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

The Board of Directors determines that it is consistent with the five-year finance plan to fund the ongoing programs and services of the School District and it is in the best interest of the School District to continue participation in an Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa, and to provide additional funding therefor for a period of five (5) years commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually and will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment for the budget year.

Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for any general fund purpose.

The Instructional Support Program will be funded by instructional support state aid and an instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District.

Unless, within twenty-eight days following the adoption of this Resolution, the Secretary of the Board receives a petition containing the signatures of eligible electors equal in number to not less than one hundred or thirty percent of the number of voters at the last preceding regular school election, whichever is greater, asking that an election be called to approve or disapprove this action of the Board adopting the Instructional Support Program, this action of the Board is final and the Secretary is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Management.

In the event a petition containing the required number of signatures is filed with the Secretary of the Board within twenty-eight days of the adoption of this Resolution, the President shall call a meeting of the Board to consider rescission of this Resolution, or to direct the county commissioner of elections to submit the following question to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election.

If the Board determines to submit the question to the electors, the proposition to be submitted shall be as follows:

Shall the Board of Directors of the Maquoketa Valley Community School District, in the County of Delaware, State of Iowa, be authorized for a period of five (5) years to levy annually, as determined by the Board, an instructional support property tax in an amount (after taking into consideration instructional support state aid) not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total of regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment in the budget year, to be levied upon the taxable property within the School District, commencing with the levy for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, to be used for any general fund purpose?

A roll call vote was answered as follows: Dabroski, Feldmann, Huber, Kunde, Zietlow; all ayes. Carried.

The Board held the hearing for an early start date for the 2020-2021 school year. Following discussion, the Board authorized the submission of a request to begin our 2020-2021 school year as early as allowed by law.

The regular meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President John Zietlow at 5:45 p.m. at Earlville Elementary in Earlville, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. Five board members were present. There were five staff members and five visitors. The agenda and consent items were approved.

Nate Whited, from Fusion Forward, gave a brief presentation on the promotional video he created for Dollars for Scholars.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Erika Imler – employed as Prom Sponsor

Ali Sheehy – resignation as Assistant Softball Coach

Three open enrollment requests out were approved.

The Board will meet jointly with the North Linn School Board on December 16th and the area Representatives for a legislative session.

Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year was certified on October 15th. It appears the district will see a decrease in enrollment of roughly 17 students. However, open enrolled students out decreased and open enrollment students in increased. This is a positive factor in overall enrollment.

Board policy 800 series will be reviewed in November and the series 900 and 1000 will reviewed in December and January. Supt. Tuetken also shared information regarding aligning the district policy numbers to IASB policy numbers.

Supt. Tuetken will bring an updated Early Separation package to the board in November for approval.

Supt. Tuetken took few minutes to discuss the initial comments from the FY19 district audit which was complete in October.

Supt. Tuetken took a few minutes to update the Board on the positive comments received from MFL parents and fans the evening of the Homecoming football game. He commended the students and staff on their actions.

The November meeting will be held in Earlville.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.