

**Treynor Community School District**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**August 8, 2022**

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Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Treynor Community School District met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2022, 6:30 p.m., in the Flex Room, located in High School Building, 102 E. Main St., Treynor, IA 51575.

### **Call to Order & Roll Call**

Vice President Stogdill called the regular meeting to order at 6:37 p.m., and roll was taken. The following board members answered roll call: Vice President Stogdill, Mr. Christensen, and Mr. Winchell. President Vorthmann and Mr. Dreyer were not present at the meeting.

### **Amend and/or Approve Agenda**

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Christensen, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Public Hearing for Instructional Support Levy**

At 6:39 p.m. Vice President Stogdill declared the start of the open hearing on the Instructional Support Levy. Hearing no verbal and receiving no written objections to, or statements in favor of the Instructional Support Levy, Vice President Stogdill closed the hearing at 6:40 p.m.

### **Recognition of Visitors and Open Forum (Public comment is limited to items on any current or upcoming published board agenda)**

No visitors chose to address the board during recognition of visitors and open form.

### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Winchell seconded by Christensen, to approve the following:

1) Minutes of the July 11, 2022, regular meeting,

2) Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund           \$145,657.73

Management Fund     \$200,197.00

SAVE Fund             \$16,837.27

PPEL Fund              \$4,508.09

Debt Service Fund     \$300.00

Activity Fund          \$2,770.13

Nutrition Fund         \$245.85

3) July 31, 2022, Financial Statements.

4) Open Enrollment Requests.

A roll call vote was taken: Ayes-Stogdill, Winchell, Christensen. Nays-None. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Principal Reports**

#### **Student Handbooks**

Board members were provided with copies of the HS/MS Handbook and the Elementary Handbook for review. The three principals reported no changes were necessary to the 2022-2023 handbooks.

#### **Start of the Year Activities and Goals**

**Ms. Kay, Elementary Principal, reported:** 1) The administrators attended the SAI (School Administrators of Iowa) annual conference in Des Moines last week. It was a nice refresher of important priorities, such as building relationships with students, families, and staff, and strengthening instruction by working with student strengths. 2) A goal this year is to continue cultivating the Building Leadership Team (BLT). 3) The elementary has one new teacher: Mrs. Kelsey Winchell-4<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Mrs. Berens, Middle School Principal, reported:** 1) Middle school and high school teachers will receive training on the Clear Touch Panels prior to the first day of school. In addition, three teachers are attending an AEA Clear Touch training in Griswold on August 10<sup>th</sup>. 2) New teachers in the middle school include Taci Beam-instrumental music, Katrina Hobart-8<sup>th</sup> grade English, Ryan Messerschmidt-7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> industrial tech, Charity Pearce-7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> math, and Cullen Udell-7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> social studies. 3) The Middle School Building Leadership Team (BLT) will be meeting prior to the first day of school to discuss building focus and goals.

**Mr. Nickerson, High School Principal, reported:** 1) This year we will be utilizing Logra Learning for the deployment of our Spanish 3 and 4 curriculums. This is a web-based opportunity for students to learn from Iowa certified teachers and focus on interactive reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Students will use their Chromebooks and be scheduled in their regular classroom schedule as they learn together under the guidance of instructors with many years of Spanish instruction. 2) New staff members at the high school are Ryan Messerschmidt-industrial tech, Taci Beam-instrumental music, Ryan Stumbo-social sciences, Katrina Hobart-English, and Tammy Gubbels-math. 3) A major focus in the high school this year is building a sense of family/belonging and unity.

## **Discussion/Information/Review Items**

### **Financial Report – Open Enrollment**

Business Manager VanFosson presented financial information from 2021-2022 regarding the number of open enrolled in students and open enrolled out students and the financial impact of those numbers. Treynor School District is fortunate to have a net gain of students due to the open enrollment process provided by the Iowa Legislature.

### **IASB Legislative Priorities**

Board members reviewed the IASB (Iowa Association of School Boards) 2022 Legislative Platform to prepare a list of priorities to report to IASB as important to our school district and community for the 2023 legislative session. A short list will be voted on later in the meeting.

### **Insurance Premiums**

The district comprehensive commercial property, liability, vehicle, and worker compensation insurance is provided by EMC Insurance of Des Moines, with local agent Kirk Campbell of Campbell Insurance Agency in Council Bluffs. The insurance coverage plan year runs from July to June annually. Mr. Campbell provided a comparison document of the insurance plan and premium cost, comparing 2021-2022 and 2022-2023. Overall the total annual premium of \$200,197 is an increase of \$34,659, the majority of the increase being the property & different liability sections of the policy.

### **C.T.E. Purchases**

Updated equipment and textbooks are being purchased for the industrial technology classroom. New teacher Ryan Messerschmidt provided board members with a written rationale for the purchases and plans are being made to ask him to attend a future meeting to update the board on how the new equipment is being used.

## **Action Items**

### **Instructional Support Levy**

Director Christensen introduced and caused to be read the Resolution hereinafter set out and moved its adoption; seconded by Director Winchell; after due consideration by the Board, the President put the question upon adoption of said Resolution and the results of the roll call vote were: Vice President Mickey Stogdill-Aye, Stephen Winchell-Aye, and Keith Christensen-Aye. Nays: None. Whereupon the Vice President declared said Resolution duly adopted as follows:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board deems it necessary and desirable to continue to provide additional funding for the Treynor Community School District generated by participation in an Instructional Support Program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to duly published notice, the District held a public hearing on the question of participation in such a program; and

WHEREAS, the District wishes to take action to adopt a Resolution to continue to participate in an Instructional Support Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Treynor Community School District, in the Counties Pottawattamie and Mills, State of Iowa, as follows:

The Board of Directors of the Treynor Community School District in the Counties of Pottawattamie and Mills, State of Iowa, does hereby resolve to participate in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five (5) years, to levy annually, as determined by the Board, an instructional support property tax upon the taxable property within the District, commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and an instructional support income surtax imposed annually for each budget year, the percent of income surtax (not to exceed twenty percent (20%)) to be determined annually by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the District on December 31, 2023, and each year thereafter.

The funds thus collected, when combined with Instructional Support State Aid shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the regular program district cost, including the budget adjustment pursuant to Iowa Code section 257.14 for any budget year. Instructional Support Program funds may be used for the purpose of any general fund purpose.

All resolutions or orders or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved August 8, 2022.

Mickey Stogdill, Vice President, Board of Directors

Attest: Cindy L. VanFosson, Secretary, Board of Directors

### **Student Handbooks**

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Christensen, to approve the student handbooks for the elementary and middle school/high school as presented by the building principals for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Legislative Priorities for 2023**

A motion was made by Christensen, seconded by Winchell, to report the following to IASB as legislative priorities for the 2023 legislative session: 1) Teacher recruitment and licensure; 2) Mental health; 3) Special education funding; and 4) School choice (vouchers). Motion carried 3-0.

### **28E Agreement with Riverside CSD for Students to Participate in Agriculture Classes**

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Christensen, to approve the 28E Agreement with Riverside CSD for Treynor CSD students to participate in their agriculture classes. This is the third year Treynor students will be attending agriculture classes in Oakland with Riverside CSD. Motion carried 3-0.

### **SICRS**

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Christensen, to approve the MOUs as part of the Southwest Iowa Consortium of Rural Schools with Buena Vista University, Western Governors University, Iowa Western Community College, and William Penn University. The memorandum of understanding with each educational institution states that the institution will bill the school district for courses which identified paraeducators or high school students are participating as they proceed through the Teacher and Paraeducator Registered Apprenticeship Program (TPRA). Grant money coming from the state's allocation of the federal Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) and the American Rescue Plan Act funds combine to provide the \$12.8 million in grant funding for the total state project. Approved districts are receiving funding through a grant filed by the Iowa Workforce Development Agency in collaboration with the Iowa Department of Education. Paraeducators interested in moving toward a career as a teacher or high school students interested in becoming a certified paraeducator will benefit from this program. Motion carried 3-0.

### **IWCC Addendum to Current Contract (MOU)**

A motion was made by Christensen, seconded by Winchell, to approve the Addendum to our current contract with IWCC for concurrent enrollment courses as stated in the agreement. The addendum adds the following: Each member school accepts responsibility for 5% of total tool/supplies costs per student, per semester, per program of the following: a. Auto: \$199.85, b. Diesel: \$238.65, c. Welding: \$20.00, d. Construction: \$14.25, e. Electrical: \$23.50, and f. HVAC: \$111.50. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Consortium Agreement – Children's Square and Heartland Family Service**

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Christensen, to approve the consortium agreement for Children's Square and Heartland Family Services as stated in the agreement. The agreement will allow the District to enroll students in the K-12 consortium day programs that are offered and available at Children's Square and Heartland Family Service sites. There is no cost to the Treynor District if no students receive services during the school year. A roll call vote was taken: Christensen-Aye, Winchell-Aye, and Vice President Stogdill-Aye. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Personnel**

#### **Resignations**

The board had no resignations to consider.

#### **Employment**

A motion was made by Christensen, seconded by Winchell, to approve employment for Sara Morales-Lian as elementary paraeducator, Megan Kerkmann as elementary paraeducator, and Mackenzie Anderson as middle school paraeducator for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **Vacancy Update**

The following positions are currently listed as open: HS Spanish, Elementary Special Education, part-time custodian, and head high school boys' golf.

### **Superintendent's Report**

#### **Facilities and Grounds Updates**

Superintendent Beyenhof updated the board on the progress of summer maintenance projects. Due to contractor time constraints, some of the painting planned for this summer will be delayed. This will allow time to consider the replacement of carpet in some areas. There is an HVAC unit at the elementary requiring attention by Prairie

Mechanical now. They have been in the building, and they are working to make sure we are ready for the first day of school.

**Superintendent's Entry Plan**

Superintendent Beyenhof stated he continues to meet as many people as possible to gain an understanding of Treynor traditions and what stakeholders believe makes Treynor the destination district it is. Some of the common themes are community pride, caring staff, and great facilities.

**Meetings and Miscellaneous Updates**

Dr. Beyenhof reminded board members of the traditional BBQ lunch for the staff to celebrate back-to-school and asked them to add it to their calendars for Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**Next Meeting(s)**


The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

**Adjourn**

A motion was made by Winchell, by Christensen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Approved on September 12, 2022

  
Board President

  
Board Secretary