The Board of Education of the Hitchcock County Schools met April 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM. Present were board members Scott, Kolbet, Marks, Hagan, O’Byrne, and Rippen. Also present were Superintendent Sattler, Assistant Principal/School Counselor McCarter, Principal Tines, and Peggy Fyn.

Moved by Marks; seconded by Kolbet to approve the April 2022 regular meeting agenda as presented. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, and Hagan; nay votes none.

There were no visitors.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by Hagan to approve the consent agenda as presented. Aye votes Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, and Kolbet; nay votes none. The consent agenda consisted of the following items: (1) Minutes of the March 2022 board meeting. (2) The Activity Fund. (3) The bill roster with general fund bills totaling $351,326.56 and lunch fund bills totaling $20,251.41. (4) Other funds.

Superintendent Sattler presented a letter of resignation from Shaelin Stiver. Moved by Hagan; seconded by Kolbet to accept the resignation of Shaelin Stiver at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Aye votes Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, and Marks; nay votes none.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by O’Byrne to offer drivers education during the summer of 2022. Aye votes O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none. Ms. McCarter will be teaching the course and letters have be sent to parents of eligible aged students.

The board was presented with a quote from Green Turf Lawn Care for $7,032.80 for fertilization and weed control of both sites. After much discussion the board decided to keep the ground care in-house and no action was taken.

Moved by Hagan; seconded by Kolbet to move into executive session to discuss personnel needs for the 2022-2023 school year at 7:22 PM. Aye votes Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, and Rippen; nay votes none.

Moved by Hagan; seconded by Rippen to move out of executive session at 7:53 PM. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, and Hagan; nay votes none.

There were no Committee reports.

Assistant Principal/School Counselor McCarter’s report as follows: (1) 3/16 – Dr. Z from ESU 11 came to the school for Spanish Proficiency testing. He was very impressed with HCS students and complemented them on how seriously they took the testing and how well-mannered they were. (2) 3/17-18 – Zoo trip. Zoo guides complimented on how well our students were. (3) 3/22 – Student council Red Cross blood drive and RPAC Instrumental Music. (4) 3/23 – Inter High day in McCook. HCS placed 1st in division II. (5) 3/29 Junior High Quiz Bowl at Southwest, placed 1st. (6) 3/30 – Inter High day in North Platte. HCS placed 2nd in division III. (7) 4/4 – UNK Honor Choir. Eight students qualified. (8) 4/5 – Juniors took the ACT exam. (9) 4/6-8 – FFA State Convention in Lincoln. (10) 4/9 – Music students went to a musical in Lincoln. (11) 4/11 – Sophomores took the Pre-ACT. Four students were inducted into the National Honor Society. (12) 4/14 – State audit for the driver’s education program. (13) Presentation of the expectations for the School to Career program that will be implemented for Seniors in the 2022-2023 school year.

Principal Tines’ report as follows: (1) 3/17 – Polish Your Pearls at the elementary. (2) 3/17-18 – trip to the SAC museum and Omaha zoo. (3) 3/21 – Elementary Quiz Bowl at Maywood. Third place. (4) 3/22 – Kelly Erickson visited the elementary to discuss NSCAS Winter Scores. (5) 3/24 – Because of you Lunch for Ellie Sensenig (6) 3/24 – ECERS – PreK State Review. (7) 3/29 – Elementary Quiz Bowl at Bartley. Second place. (8) 4/4 – Principal meeting at ESU 15. (9) 4/8 – Kindergarten and PreK round-up. 30 projected kindergarteners and 22 projected preschoolers. (10) 4/11 – Title I meeting at ESU 15 for Peer Review.

Superintendent Sattler’s report as follows: (1) NRCSA Conference, report on breakout sessions attended. (2) The elementary boilers have been installed and inspected. (3) The well pump at the football field has been installed. The sprinkler system will be installed starting the end of April. (4) FFA State Convention.

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:23 PM. The next board meeting will be held May 9, 2022 at 7:00 PM. The agenda kept continuously current is available to the public for items of an emergency nature. The meeting is open to the public.

Craig Scott – President Casha O’Byrne - Secretary

General Fund bills

20/20 Technologies – contracted services 3,164.00

McCook Ace Hardware – shop supplies 93.10

Aflac – payroll deductions 548.54

American Electric – building supply 70.50

American Family Ins Co – payroll deductions 1,903.31

B&K Auto Repair – bus supply 87.96

Blue Cross Blue Shield – health insurance 49,203.27

Bosselman Energy – building/bus fuels 13,566.12

Cash-Wa Distributing – custodial supply 386.99

Community First Bank – FICA/taxes 44,107.19

Crowne Plaza Kearney – conference lodging 239.90

D&L Pest Control – pest control 120.00

Dans R Us – trash 170.25

Eakes Office Solutions – custodial supply/equipment 1,115.33

Employee Benefit Fund – payroll deduction 344.69

ESU #15 – contracted services 23,765.42

ESU #16 – contracted services 192.13

Farmers Coop – bus fuel/custodial & grounds supply 1,686.09

Follett Content Solutions – library books 1,212.78

Great Plains Communications – phone bills/internet 765.46

HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursements 267.58

HCS – payroll deduction 1.63

HCS Flex Plan – contributions 1,123.34

Hometown Leasing – copiers 391.38

Hot Lunch fund – payroll deductions 912.60

Ideal Laundry – custodial supply 709.71

JW Pepper – music supply 17.25

Beth Kollmorgen – accompaniment 386.55

KSB School Law – legal services 325.00

Legal Shield – payroll deductions 65.78

Mark’s Plumbing – building supply 374.69

Medical Transport Solutions – payroll deductions 139.80

MCI – long distance 48.02

Matrix Trust Co – annuities 5,127.00

NE State Fire Marshal Agency – annual certificate 81.00

NE Council of School Admin – NASBO Convention 180.00

HCS Retirement Account – retirement 39,147.88

NE Department of Revenue – state taxes 6,340.83

Novus Glass – windshield repairs 640.98

NRCSA – Spring Conference 420.00

New York Life Ins Co – payroll deduction 53.33

O’Brien Electric – wiring 252.91

Optum – FSA fees 150.00

Principal Life Ins Co – disability 902.28

Quill Corp – office supplies 178.67

Rippen Oil – bus fuel/parts/labor 2,145.23

Scranton Corp – support agreement 150.00

Scholastic Inc – library books 211.50

Scoop Media – ads/printing 438.48

Snell Service – sewer work 1,530.00

Southwest Public Power District – electric 1,262.38

Special Building fund – payroll deductions 662.94

Trails West – bus fuel 2,563.83

UniFirst Corp – custodial supply 197.74

U-Save Pharmacy – nurse supply 15.75

U.S. Bank – credit card 719.64

Village of Culbertson – water/sewage 136.02

Village of Trenton – utilities 2,111.42

Vision Service Plan – payroll deductions 417.68

World Book Direct Marketing – library book 56.40

Payroll – net (gross - $208,014.29) 137,726.31

Lunch Fund bills

Aflac – payroll deduction 50.61

Cash-Wa Distributing – food/supply 9,284.92

UNL Child Nutrition – SNA certification classes 340.00

Community First Bank – FICA/taxes 1,268.18

Culligan Water Conditioning – salt 21.65

Dundy County Hospital – payroll deduction 201.00

Gary’s Super Foods – food 145.23

Hot lunch fund – payroll deduction 6.35

Ideal Laundry – kitchen supply 250.32

HCS Retirement Acct – retirement 1,363.88

NE Department of Revenue 116.91

NSNA – state conference 600.00

School Nutrition Assoc – dues 208.00

US Foods – food/supply 1,166.43

Payroll – net (gross - $7,016.62) 5,227.93