

Highland Community Schools
Board of Directors Work Session
Thursday – January 28, 2021
5:00 p.m. – Highland Board Room

The work session was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Nate Robinson.

All board members were present except Mike Golden.

Butler made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Holden. Motion carried 6-0

Tony VanderZyl from Iowa Association of School Boards gave an overview of the Needs Assessment Survey which was sent out by the District. He stated 125 other Districts in the State of Iowa have done this same survey and he felt we had a good number of respondents to the survey. He stated the District should try to take two or three clear goal areas from the survey and work on them specifically.

The Fusion Forward promotional video draft was shown to the Board. The board members gave a few suggestions on what could maybe be changed. Mr Crawford will get back in touch with Fusion Forward to tweak a few things and then it will be ready to go.

Jane O’Leary stated she has good news to share about the FAST data and will share it with her staff next Wednesday. She also asked what additional information the board would like to know about the Barton reading program.

Angela Hazelett stated the high school staff is working on standards alignment and standards based grading and the middle school staff is discussing how to handle end of year field trips and awards ceremonies. The secondary staff is taking ISASP training in order to proctor the test and also have to take the seclusion and restraint training. The middle school Chromebook roll out is scheduled for next week.

Mr Crawford asked the board what they wanted to do for capacity in the gymnasium for ball games. It was decided they would continue with household plus two and allow 25 secondary students into the games. Next Wednesday there will be varsity basketball games here against Lone Tree. Mr Crawford wanted to make sure this was ok with everyone since it is considered church night.

Longbine made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Allen. Motion carried 6-0.

The work session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

PRESIDENT, NATE ROBINSON

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