President Parks called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. at the Forum with the following members present: Bradley, Jones, Parks, Prochaska, Ryan, Sainci, and Wittman. Additional officers of the Board present: Kelleher, Mauss, Rheingans.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) that the Board of Education enter closed session as permitted by Iowa Code 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential and Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 7-0. [Time-4:04]

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Ryan) that the Board of Education reinstate the rules of order and return to regular session. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 7-0. [Time- 5:24]

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Moved (Jones) and seconded (Wittman) to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 10, 2022, the special meeting of February 1st, special meeting of February 7th, special meeting of February 8th, and special meeting of February 9th, 2022, as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Board Salutes
- George Holesinger, swimmer for Hempstead, who medaled four times at the state swim meet, received All-American Honors, and set school records in the 100 and 200 meters at the Boys State Swimming meet in Des Moines.
- Lee Kolker introduced the Teacher of the year, Chelsea Cox and presented a certificate to her.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Bradley) to suspend the rules of order and go into open forum. Motion carried 7-0.

Three people spoke during open forum:
- Dawn LuGrain-Paraprofessional who would like to see a pay increase.
- Rasika Mudalieka -Spoke about book banning
- Michael Peat-Soccer club representative, asking to be put on the Facilities and Support Services agenda.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to reinstate the rules of order and return to regular session. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Bradley) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Tami Ryan was auditor for the month. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Bradley) to approve the donation of PVC displays to Lincoln Elementary. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the executed contract, bonds and certificate of insurance with Portzen Construction for the Central Kitchen Mechanical Replacement Project in the amount of $1,443,700.00. Motion carried 6-1.
Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the executed contract, bonds and certificate of insurance with Tricon Construction for the Hempstead High School Kitchen Freezer Replacement Project in the amount of $448,000.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve the recommendation to reject all bids for the Hoover Boiler Replacement Project. Motion carries 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to authorize the district to levy property tax for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Motion carries 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the resolution as part of the District’s response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the district’s administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for funding related to FY22 SWVPP increased enrollment in the amount of $7,227.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Bradley) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve the application for the District’s online school. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the proclamation honoring Black History Month and authorized the President and the Secretary to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) that the board take no further disciplinary action related to student #827656 at this time. Motion carried 7-0.

Stan Rheingans, Superintendent clarified that the three superintendent finalists will be announced on Friday, February 18, 2022.

President Parks declared the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Secretary
Board of Education