ATTACHMENT XI-E: Additional Nurse Position

Suggested Motion: Move to Approve the Addition of a Part Time Nurse

Recommended Action: Approve as presented.

2018-2019 NBUE/NBMS Nurse Proposal Justification for a second 5.75 Nurse at NBUE/NBMS

Students with Chronic Health Conditions that Require Frequent Medical Care

- 1 student has to be seen at least five times daily and requires daily check-ins with parents and doctors. Each session has to be documented. This person requires multiple medication checks throughout the day.
- Students that must take medications at school Students require medications, most frequently at lunch. These medications must be administered in a timely manner. With lunches at the UE and MS scheduled at the same time, administration of this medication is difficult to coordinate and implement.

Student Walk-Ins and Emergency Care

- Lunch, recess, and PE times generally have the most walk-ins/emergencies. Combining this with medication administration creates scheduling conflicts and delays in care, leading to students missing instruction time.
- Each school has around 25-30 students that walk in needing assistance throughout the day. Combining this with medication administration creates scheduling conflicts and delays in care, leading to students missing instruction time.
- When the nurse is unavailable the secretaries are used as triage and must make decisions/provide care that is out of their comfort zone/job description.

Logistics

- Nurse provides care for around 520 students between the two buildings (largest caseload in the district).
- Nurse must make frequent trips back and forth between buildings causing her to be absent in one building.
- Due to the demand of student needs between the buildings, paperwork and documentation are often completed after contracted hours.



JOB DESCRIPTION - NON-CERTIFICATED

Position/Title: School Nurse

Reports to: Principal

Work Coordinated with: District Nurse

Qualifications

1. Registered professional nurse licensed to practice in the State of Illinois.

- 2. Strong nursing, organizational and interpersonal skills
- 3. Exceptional communications skills
- 4. Demonstrates ability for student management and collaboration for educational program development

General Responsibilities: To provide an effective and efficient operation of the school health services program and serve as a resource to students, staff and parents.

Duties:

- 1. Administers emergency care and assessments of the ill and injured as required.
- 2. Administers prescribed medications, according to District policy.
- 3. Implements health screening programs including, hearing, vision, etc.
- 4. Completes required health related reports for the district as required by state and federal regulations.
- 5. Maintains accident reports, student visit files and health records.
- 6. Processes accident insurance forms, etc.
- 7. Make referrals to outside agencies/providers where problems are beyond the scope of school service parameters.
- 8. Consults with teachers and other staff regarding individual student issues.
- 9. Works collaboratively with other staff to ensure individual student needs are met. Communicates with hospital/medical staff as necessary.
- 10. Actively participate on various building and district teams and committees. Provide feedback and act as liaison to other building staff in creating a cohesive PK-12 program.
- 11. Establishes a safe atmosphere conducive to a positive learning environment. Act as role model by encouraging appropriate behaviors that lead to social, emotional and physical development.

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- 12. Enforces and supports school policies, philosophies and objectives with students and parents. Work collaboratively with administration and colleagues to actively advocate for students and programs.
- 13. Participates in staff development and school improvement activities in order to maintain professional growth. Plan and incorporate best practices or new strategies.
- 14. Arrives on time and follows assigned duties until the end of the school day.
- 15. Seeks awareness and clarification of school and district rules, policies and procedures through the building principal or other appropriate administrative staff.
- 16. Performs other duties as assigned by the principal or designee.

Terms of employment: 179 days

Evaluation: By the principal or his/her designee with input from district

nurse.