**Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**The Board of Directors**

**Clarinda Community School District**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Clarinda Community School District was held Wednesday, January 13, 2021, beginning at 4:00 PM in the McKinley Central Office for Board Members and Zoom for Public (Link found on district website under Menu - District Office - Zoom Link).

**1. Call to Order**

President Jones called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. Roll Call**

The following board members were present: President Jones, Vice President Pulliam,

Bergren (via phone), Meyer, and Sunderman.

**4. Audience to Visitors**

President Jones welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Meyer, to amend Agenda item 8.7 to approve

two student enrollment contracts for the Rising Hope Academy Therapeutic classroom for the

2020-2021 School Year. Motion carried 5-0. (8.7 was originally to approve the management

and operation of therapeutic classroom agreement with Greenhill AEA.)

A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Sunderman, to approve the agenda. Motion

carried 5-0.

**6. Consider Consent Agenda Items**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Pulliam, to approve the consent agenda

items. Motion carried 5-0.

6.1 Approve Minutes of the December 9, 2020 Regular Meeting

6.2 Approve Bills

Director Meyer found them in order.

6.3 Approve Special Education Contracts

Ottumwa and Sioux City School Districts

6.4 Approve Recommendations to Hire for 2020-2021 School Year

Sage Lloyd as a High School Science and Social Studies teacher

JennaLee Bramble as an associate

Richard Iske as head bus driver

6.5 Approve Recommendation for Resignation 2021-2022 school year.

Susana Ballesteros, High School Spanish teacher

**7. Recognition and Reports**

7.1 Literacy Report

Mrs. Eberly reported literacy scores have improved in all elementary grade levels.

Literacy staff and AEA will continue working to close the gap.

7.2 Administrative Report

Mrs. Green discussed second semester scheduling. She presented a video of J-term

classes and students. Mrs. Wellhausen discussed Chapter 103 and staff trainings. She

reported many remote learners are back in class second semester.

7.3 Financial Reports

Mr. Pedersen discussed district enrollment, which is down mainly due to COVID.

State funding is a year behind; the district will receive less next year due to the lower

enrollment this year. The Governor is suggesting a 2.5% SSA; Board will need to

approve budget guarantee as will many other school districts.

7.4 Superintendent

Bobbie Whitehill and Michala Pedersen discussed Grandma’s House before and after-

school program at Garfield. They thanked the district for helping make this happen.

Mrs. Bergman reported on her Leadership Iowa class. She shared Cardinal designs

students created to help brand CCSD. She has spent time with four architect firms and

the team talked with three construction managers. OPN Architects will be in the

district January 19 to talk with the Board and community partners to help determine

the student programming and 1180 South 16th building. CCSD will be setting up a

time to show an informational video on sex trafficking, *Gridshock*. Training

continues with the *7 Habits for Highly Effective Families* and *LeaderInMe*. She is

looking into skills, habits and mindsets of innovation, entrepreneurship, and creativity

to include in the high school curriculum. Clarinda is a finalist for the Healthy

Hometown Wellmark Community Award. She is researching a partnership with

Clarinda Regional Health Center for the Cardinal back pack program; the number of

families increased 20% in 18 months. CCSD received ESSR funds; she will propose

to use those for HVAC. She would like to create a FAQ COVID staff document.

7.5 Board Correspondence

Meyer – She discussed Legislative changes and lobby webinars.

Pulliam – She acknowledged the athletes and coaches are working hard. She said the

J-term is inspiring students and teachers. CCSD needs to celebrate the

improvement in reading scores.

Sunderman – He has heard compliments on J-term and continued in-person learning.

**8. New Business**

**8.1 Consider Approving an Anonymous Donation of $500 for Outstanding Lunch**

**Accounts**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Meyer, to approve the donation of

$500 from an anonymous donor to pay outstanding student lunch accounts. Motion

carried 5-0.

**8.2 Consider Approving the First Reading of the 500 Series of Policy**

A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Pulliam, to approve the first reading of

the 500 Series of Policy. Motion carried 5-0.

**8.3 Consider Approving Extension of the Families First Corona Virus Response**

**Act**

A motion was made by Pulliam, seconded by Sunderman, to approve extension of the

Families First Corona Virus Response Act until the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion carried 5-0.

**8.4 Consider Approving State Required Teacher Quality Committee per Iowa**

**Code 284.4**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Meyer, to approve State Required

Teacher Quality Committee per Iowa Code 284.4. Motion carried 5-0.

**8.5 Consider Approving the Sharing Agreement with South Page for a Science**

**Teacher (Chemistry) for the second semester.**

A motion was made by Pulliam, seconded by Meyer, to approve sharing agreement

with South Page for Science teacher for second semester of the 2020-2021 school

year. Motion carried 5-0.

**8.6 Consider Approving the Early Retirements and Resignations from Staff**

A motion was made by Pulliam, seconded by Meyer, to approve the early retirement

and resignation of Cheryl Beaver, Karen Hackett and Cynthia Opperman, effective at

the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

**8.7** **Consider Approving T**wo **Student Enrollment Contracts for the Rising Hope**

**Academy Therapeutic classroom for the 2020-2021 School Year.**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Meyer, to approve two student

enrollment contracts for the Rising Hope Academy Therapeutic classroom for the

2020-2021 School Year. Motion carried 5-0.

**9. Meeting Announcements:**

9.1 Our next regular meeting is on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the

Boardroom at McKinley and via Zoom.

**10. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Pulliam, to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0.

**These minutes are as recorded by the board secretary and subject to approval at the next regular board meeting.**

**Nancy Fulk-McKinnon**

**Board Secretary**