Clarinda Community School District
Special Meeting
Monday, May 17, 2021 at 4:00 PM
McKinley Central Office and Zoom (Link found on district website under
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# **Agenda**

#### 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, Meyer, and Sunderman.

#### 4. Audience to Visitors

President Jones welcomed all visitors to the meeting. Scott Honeyman shared concerns on transparency related to the Return to Learn Program, purchasing decisions, and staff retention and promotion tactics. He also shared concern on communication with the superintendent and Board. Jade Hagey thanked the Board for their job and he voiced concern with the leadership of the district and the path the district is going down. Nicole Derry complimented teachers and shared concerns about district decisions; she wants to see Cardinal Pride.

## 5. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Bergren, 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 Recommendation for Resignation

Michael Crawford as Custodian effective at the end of the 2020-21 school year

#### 7. New Business

### 7.1 General Discussion of Return to Learn Plan

A survey was sent to staff asking their opinion of continuing to wear masks or not for the remainder of the current school year; 90 staff members chose to participate. Pulliam stated that 62.2% of staff agreed that masks should continue to be worn and 37.8% were against continuing to wear them. CDC recommends school districts continue wearing masks and IDPH suggests families and students decide whether to wear masks or not. After discussion, the Board agreed to maintain the current Return to Learn Plan; masks will be worn the rest of the 2020-2021 school year.

# 7.2 Consider Any Necessary Action as a Result of the Discussion

No action was taken.

# 7.3 General Discussion of IWCC Partnership Opportunities

The press release will be sent Tuesday as soon as Dr. Kinney finalizes it. Pulliam explained Dr. Kinney and IWCC would like to advance the learning opportunities to students by partnering with CCSD and businesses. Many career fields are of interest to both CCSD and IWCC; both Boards are excited to grow the programs. Meyer said one of the strategic goals

has been to build the CTE programs and this is a way to do that. Jones said this is a win-win for students, CCSD and IWCC, and will go beyond Clarinda to include other area school districts. Bergman said the iJAG program will fit nicely into this along with a career counselor. Jones said the community will be tied in for an advisory committee along with business partners. Sunderman said timeline needs to be sooner rather than later; working with IWCC is a cost savings and staff has teaching opportunities. Bergman said collaboration with Green Hills AEA will be done; they have a lot of resources and may look at having offices on campus as well. Bergren said timing and cost savings has been rough not being able to communicate sooner. There will need to be a lease agreement with IWCC, work sessions with the Board and stakeholder meetings. Jones said it is a work in motion and need to get things lined up for this fall; there will be pivoting in the future depending on what needs arise for students.

# 7.4 Consider Any Necessary Action as a Result of the Discussion

No action taken.

## 8. Meeting Announcements:

Please note the schedule of meetings.

8.1 Our next regular meeting is on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at McKinley.

### 9. Adjournment

A motion was made by Bergren, seconded by Meyer, to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

These minutes are as recorded by the board secretary and subject to <u>approval at the next regular board</u> meeting.

Nancy Fulk-McKinnon Board Secretary