

Minutes of Regular Meeting

October 27, 2021
The Board of Directors
Clarinda Community School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Clarinda Community School District was held Wednesday, October 27, 2021, beginning at 4:00 PM in the McKinley Central Office for Board.

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. Dan Strain from KPE Architecture Engineering presented their business information for any future district projects.

5. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Bergren, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Consider Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Pulliam, seconded by Sunderman, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0.

6.1 Approve Minutes of the October 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

6.2 Approve Bills

Director Meyer found them in order.

6.3 Approve Special Education Contracts

6.4 Approve Recommendations to Hire for the 2021-2022 School Year

Lacey Kendall as a Paraprofessional effective October 28, 2021

Justin Ridnour as 7/8 Head Wrestling Coach effective October 28, 2021

6.5 Approve Recommendation for Resignation

Andrew Harris as 7/8 Head Football Coach effective for the 2022-2023 school year

7. Recognition and Reports

7.1 Maintenance Report

Mr. Hill reported the track is finished and the football field is being prepared for winter. The Craft Carnival went well. Installation of the new scoreboard has started.

7.2 IDEathon Report

Tatum Watkins reported on her experience at the IDEathon. Students were excited to work as a team and come up with solutions and options. She liked the diversity of the students. She also spoke on her student book study that is reading *Innovator's Mindset*.

7.3 Principal Report

Mrs. Ehlers spoke on staffing, professional development, testing results and literacy goals.

Safety items included bus evacuation drills for all students, Fire Prevention Week and Red Ribbon Week. She discussed five new clubs for students in second through fifth grade. Cassie Eberly reported on the FAST Literacy testing.

7.4 COVID Report

Logan Wood, Kelly Kline, and Cathy DeAnda spoke on AED training and compliancy. They see a need for additional AEDs in the district and they recommend purchasing additional ones.

7.5 Finance Report

Mrs. McKinnon reported the certified enrollment state report is showing an increase in student totals for 2021-2022 school year. Totals will be solidified in November.

7.6 Superintendent

Mr. Ridgley introduced himself to the Board. Mrs. Bergman spoke on new Board member support. The Crisis Prevention Intervention trainer will be Paul Rieken and Title IX Coordinator will be Heidi Bird. Dr. Lebo discussed ESSER funds at the superintendent meeting; administration is working on needs lists for ESSER funds. Green Hills AEA was involved in a planning meeting for the computer science program. Administration team will begin looking at calendar for 2022-2023. Rachel's Challenge will be February 9th and 10th. She encouraged everyone to check the CCSD website for future positivity posts.

7.7 Board Correspondence

Meyer – She talked about teacher shortages and possible federal grants.

Jones –It was fun to see students participate in the Ideathon. Pep rally Friday for Cross Country athletes going to state. CYC has a MOU drafted with Iowa Prison Industry in hopes CCSD can utilize the gym for practices until something permanent can be agreed upon between CCSD and IPI.

Pulliam – She is excited for CCSD with FFA going to Nationals, elementary clubs, and the Ideathon.

Meyer left at 5:19 and returned at 5:22.

8. New Business

8.1 Consider Approving Donations

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Bergren, to approve the Clarinda Foundation donation of \$3000 for STEM robotics resources and Joe and Emily Akers donation of \$1000 for building and trades program. Motion carried 5-0.

8.2 Consider First Reading of Policy 102 and 106

A motion was made by Bergren, seconded by Meyer, to approve the first reading of policies 102 Equal Educational Opportunity, 102R1, 102E1, 102E2, 102E3 and 106 Discrimination and Harassment Based on Sex Prohibited. Motion carried 5-0.

8.3 Consider Approving the First Reading of Policy 505.5 and 711.2

A motion was made by Pulliam, seconded by Meyer, to approve the first reading of policies 505.5 Graduation Requirements and 711.2 Student Conduct on School Transportation. Motion carried 5-0.

8.4 Consider Approving the Second and Final Reading of Policy 508.2 Open Night

A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Sunderman, to approve the second and final

reading of policy 508.2 Open Night. Motion carried 5-0.

8.5 Discussion of Early Retirement for the 2021-2022 School Year

Discussion included teacher shortages, auditor's recommendations, staff salaries, and student teacher qualifications.

8.6 Consider Any Action on Early Retirement

A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Bergren, to offer early retirement for three certified staff at \$11,000 each and three classified staff at 20% of his/her salary with maximum of \$11,000 for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 3-2. Ayes- Bergren, Meyer and Sunderman; Nays - Jones and Pulliam.

9. Meeting Announcements

9.1 The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at McKinley.

9.2 IASB Board Convention will be November 17 and 18 in Des Moines.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Sunderman, seconded by Meyer, to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 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