

Colfax-Mingo Community School District  
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting  
Colfax-Mingo Jr/Sr High School Media Center  
Monday, February 25, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Patrick Utz called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Roll call: Chet Williams, Doug Van Dyke, Brandie Gean, Jan Myers, Mary Poulter and Mardell Tomlonovic. Administrators present: Superintendent Verlengia, Jr/Sr High Principal Jones, Elementary Principal Summy.
2. Approval of Agenda: Tomlonovic moved, Poulter seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Celebrations: Board members recognized a number of events and personnel this past month: In spite of the weather delays and cancellations, staff and students are making the best of school time available; the boys' and girls' basketball teams squared off against their parents and other adults for a fun night of basketball and Senior Recognition; the superintendent search process has offered some worthy candidates, and the community, staff and students have turned out to assist with this; the Board recognized the efforts of Dale Monroe and Deb Hodgson to coordinate this search effort; the boys' wrestling team advanced four to state tournament: Noah Strohmeier, Trystin Ross, Cyden and Cauy Fitch. Cauy placed 8<sup>th</sup> in state. Congratulations to these young men. Post Prom committee members and students have been actively raising funds in the community, and thank you to Dickerson's and the cities for keeping the school's lots and sidewalks cleared and the snow hauled away in order for the safety of the students and staff.
4. Recognition of Guests: Amy Berkey addressed the Board regarding the boys' basketball program.
5. Administration Reports: The Board reviewed reports from Activities, Jr/Sr High, Specials, and Elementary administrators.
6. Superintendent's Report: The Board received an update on the superintendent search process, student and personnel situations, and scenarios to modify the 2018-2019 school calendar to meet required hours of instruction.
7. Consent Agenda: Myers moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the minutes of 1/21 regular board meeting, 1/30 special board meeting, and 2/4 board work session. Motion carried 7-0. Williams moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the February payables as presented. Motion carried 7-0. Myers moved, Williams seconded to approve the January financials as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
8. Action Items:
  - 8.1 Personnel: Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve the resignation of Lacy Hansen as associate effective January 28, 2019. Motion carried 7-0. Gean moved, Poulter seconded to approve the resignation of Jessica Bollenbaugh as nutrition employee. Motion carried 7-0. Tomlonovic moved, Williams seconded to approve the resignation of Jeff Clemens as high school girls' basketball coach effective February 5, 2019. Motion carried 7-0. Van Dyke moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the resignation of Jeanne Patterson as basketball cheer coach at the end of the 2018-2019 season. Tomlonovic moved, Van Dyke seconded to approve the retirement of Robert Fippinger as teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried 7-0. The Board thanks Mr. Fippinger for his service of 36 years, teaching and coaching generations of students.
  - 8.2 Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 5:30 pm, as a special board meeting date to deliberate superintendent candidates and take action on personnel items. Motion carried 7-0.
  - 8.3 Gean moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve Monday, March 25, 2019 at 6 pm as the 2019-2020 Budget Hearing date. Motion carried 7-0.
  - 8.4 Tomlonovic moved, Gean seconded to approve the recommendation to extend the deadline for the 2018-2019 Early Retirement Package from February 15 to March 1. Motion carried 7-0.
  - 8.5 Poulter moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the recommendation to purchase cafeteria tables from School Specialty for \$10,567.44. Motion carried 7-0.
  - 8.6 Tomlonovic moved, Van Dyke seconded to approve the recommendation to retain the DLR Group to install air-conditioning units in the high school gym for \$25,000, substantial completion by September. Motion carried 7-0.
  - 8.7 There were no 2018-2019 contracts or agreements submitted for approval at this time.
  - 8.8 Tomlonovic moved, Williams seconded to approve the bid for carpet from Moore Flooring for \$40,773.07. Motion carried 7-0. This will be a summer project in both the elementary and the jr/sr high.
  - 8.9 Myers moved, Van Dyke seconded to approve the recommendation to accept the Request for Proposal from Grife IT for security and safety equipment and software upgrades and replacements. Motion carried 7-0. Bids are due April 10, 2019.
  - 8.10 Poulter moved, Van Dyke seconded to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(e) to conduct a hearing to determine whether to suspend or expel a student, and Section 21.5(1)(a) of the open meetings law to review or discuss records which are required or authorized to be kept confidential. Roll call: Ayes-Williams, Poulter, Myers, Gean, Van Dyke, Tomlonovic, Utz. Nays-none. Motion carried 7-0. Time: 6:14 pm.  
Poulter moved, Williams seconded to return to open session. Roll call: Ayes- Poulter, Myers, Gean, Van Dyke, Tomlonovic, Williams, Utz. Nays-none. Motion carried 7-0. Time: 6:58 pm.
  - 8.11 Poulter moved, Williams seconded to approve the expulsion of a student. Roll call: Ayes- Poulter, Tomlonovic, Williams, Utz. Nays- Myers, Gean, Van Dyke. Motion carried 4-3.

9. Discussion Items:
- 9.1. The Board reviewed the draft of the Wellness policies. The Board will take action on these at the March 25 meeting.
  - 9.2. The Board received input from administration and staff regarding revisions to the 2018-2019 school calendar needed to recapture school hours lost when school was closed due to inclement weather. Beginning Monday, March 4, the school recommends: add 20 minutes to each remaining school day, convert April 22 to a school day, and add three days after Memorial Day. Graduation day will remain as May 19, 2019. Pending any additional days lost, this will satisfy state requirements.
  - 9.3. The Board reviewed the draft of the 2019-2020 school calendar.
  - 9.4. The Board postponed discussion of the 2019-2020 budget until Monday, March 4 special board meeting.
10. Board Take-Away – none provided at this time.
11. Van Dyke moved to adjourn. Time 7:23 pm.

APPROVAL

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Patrick Utz, Board of Directors President

ATTEST

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Debra A. Hodgson, Board of Directors Secretary