


Colfax-Mingo Community School District
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
Colfax-Mingo Jr/Sr High School Media Center
Monday, February 8, 2021

1. Call regular meeting to order and determination of quorum: President Chet Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Patrick Utz, Mary Poulter, Jan Myers, Dawn Gibson, Doug Van Dyke, Mardell Tomlonovic. Administrators present: Superintendent Anderson, Principal Summy and Principal Jones.
2. Poulter moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Notice of Public Hearing the Plans and Specifications for Demolition of the Three-Story Building in Mingo: No written or oral comments received.
4. Recognition of Guests: None registered.
5. Administration Reports:

Jr/Sr High Principal Jones, and PK-6 Principal Summy reviewed plans to acclimate former distance learning students, struggling students, and new students into the classroom norm. Jr/Sr High staff have implemented student/teacher contracts, designed to address students' individual areas needing improvement. Principal Summy is using PLC teams, the AEA, and weekly monitoring to identify and assist.

Athletic Director Hume addressed the Board about the option to move the Jr High winter sports to a split season. This would allow students to participate in both wrestling and basketball. Many surrounding districts and in the SICL conference already offer this.
6. Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Anderson reports good response from parents/public regarding the Needs Assessment Survey. They will consider allowing students to complete the survey in homeroom. Upon further investigation by Director Beals, some components of the HVAC installation project at the Mingo gym have already been addressed, therefore dropping the original cost of the project. Bids will not be necessary. He has received 38 candidates for Jr/Sr High Principal, and 5 candidates for Technology Director. Grife IT has offered assist with the transition period. Superintendent Anderson reports that all but one school in the SICL conference intends to keep the mask mandate in place, in spite of recent notice from the Governor that this can be dropped. Superintendent Anderson will meet with CMEA representatives to begin the groundwork for negotiations
7. Consent Agenda:
 - 7.1. Myers moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the minutes of the 1/4 special, and the 1/11 regular board meetings as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 7.2. Poulter moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the February 2021 payables as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 7.3. January 2021 financials are not finalized yet, and will be presented at the next regular board meeting.
 - 7.4. Change orders: none
8. Action Items:
 - 8.1. Personnel Matters: Myers moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the resignations of Drew Otto and Justin Teed as assistant co-coaches for the high school baseball team, effective immediately; and the resignations of Amy Wunschel and Kayla Tadlock as secondary special education teachers, effective at the end of the school year. Motion carried 7-0. Utz moved, Poulter seconded to approve the hire of Kaylea Fridley and Kaylynn Tomlonovic as associates effective immediately, and Whitney Kuecker as secondary science teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 8.2. Van Dyke moved, Gibson seconded to approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for Mingo building demolition, and the hearing was published and held as required. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 8.3. Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve the bid of \$275,700 from Peterson Construction for the demolition of the three-story Mingo building. Motion carried 7-0. The Board declined the alternate of \$9,000.
 - 8.4. Utz moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the quote of \$81,200 from Academy Roof to repair the gymnasium roof in Mingo, the 20-year warranty for \$5,500. Motion carried 7-0. The roof was damaged in the derecho, and insurance monies were received for its repair.

- 8.5. Van Dyke moved, Myers seconded to approve the requirement for distance learners to return to full on-site learning if the student is not academically successful as a distance learner, unless a documented health or religious exemption is presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- 8.6. Gibson moved, Myers seconded to approve the recommendation to set March 8 as the hearing date for the 2021-2022 school calendar. Motion carried 7-0.
- 8.7. Utz moved, Gibson seconded to approve a special board meeting on February 26 to consider approval of a principal candidate. Motion carried 7-0. Time to be determined.
- 8.8. Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve the contract with Joel Sage to mow the outlying areas at the Mingo site and retain the clippings for his use.
9. Discussion Items
 - 9.1. The DLR Group reviewed the plans and specifications for the Safe and Secure Entries and the elementary restroom upgrades. This project is funded with SAVE Revenue Bonds.
 - 9.2. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 school calendar.
 - 9.3. Financial update: The Board heard updates regarding the ESSER II monies and uses of. Possible uses may be a ventilation bi-polar ionization system, before and after school academic support, an academic interventionist, and a counselor. These additional positions would be retained as long as the ESSER II funds are available. Some board members were not in favor of addition of staff. The custodial/maintenance department is being reviewed to anticipate staff needs to address grounds maintenance, in addition to the buildings, and also the site improvements at the athletic complex. The Board discussed substitute teacher pay, and determined there is not a need to change at this time.
 - 9.4. The Board reviewed information on cost savings if the transportation department and fleet were brought back in under the school. The Board agreed to retain Durham Bus Services for one more year, to allow more research and cost analysis of the proposal.
 - 9.5. The Board had heard the request from AD Hume to consider split seasons for the Jr High sports, and more discussion was held. The Board will consider action at a future meeting.
 - 9.6. The Board discussed guidelines for a Prom this year, and Administration will pursue various options as well.
 - 9.7. The Board reviewed the Goal #4, publishing articles, and discussed subjects.
 - 9.8. The Board was in consensus that the district's mask mandates for school and at indoor events remain in place, in spite of the Governor's recent decision to drop that mandate.
10. Adjournment: Van Dyke motioned to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. 8:17 pm.

APPROVAL 
Chet Williams, Board of Directors President

ATTEST 
Debra A. Hodgson, Board of Directors Secretary