

Colfax-Mingo Community School District
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
Colfax-Mingo Jr/Sr High Media Center
Monday, October 18, 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, Doug Van Dyke, Mary Poulter, Dawn Gibson, Jan Myers and Mardell Tomlonovic. Administrators present: Superintendent Anderson, Principal Summy, and Principal Lancaster.
2. Tomlonovic moved, Gibson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Recognition of Guests: None registered
4. Administrative Reports:

Athletic Director Hume reported on participation levels in football, cross country, volleyball, and the winter sports to date. If girls' wrestling is added, the season will most likely be in the second half of the winter sports season.

Jr/Sr High Principal Lancaster and Elementary Principal Summy reported on the structure of fall parent/teacher conferences. They will be tied to the safe and collaborative concept, using this time to build relationships and ensure a connection between family and school to support the student. The Jr/Sr High will have in-person fall conferences, while the spring conference will offer a virtual option. The elementary will offer both in-person and virtual options this fall, and will include celebrations/concerns, FAST and other data results, and review updates on the new report card format.
5. Superintendent's Report: The Board recognized Elementary Principal Brian Summy, and Jr/Sr High Principal Alex Lancaster as part of National Principal's Month. Thank you for your services to the students, staff and communities and your commitment to providing topnotch education and moral support to all. Mr. Summy has been with the district nineteen years, while Ms. Lancaster began with the district this past July. Amendments to the ESSA Accountability matrix have been paused again this year. The SIAC Committee reviewed Safe/Collaborative survey results, and the district's mission, vision, values, and commitments, and followed with discussion. They will continue to gather feedback.

Superintendent Anderson will host a Youth Parent and Volunteer meeting on Tuesday, November 2, to invite collaboration between the school and youth sports programs, and address goals.

He is gathering information on counseling and other guidance services available for parents and students, staff, and anyone who has a need for additional support through difficult circumstances.

The Board discussed the options for a stadium video board, and also baseball and softball scoreboards. Estimates range from eighty to ninety-five thousand dollars. Considerations include advertising abilities, vendor options, and oversight of the video board operations by students as part of curriculum.

Board members were reminded of the State Board Convention November 17 and 18, the upcoming board elections on November 2, and upcoming Committee meeting dates and times. Final certified enrollment numbers were down from the previous year by approximately three students. Superintendent Anderson provided in-depth and historical information on enrollment numbers.
6. Consent Agenda:
 - 6.1. Van Dyke moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the minutes of the 9/20 regular and 10/4 special board meetings as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 6.2. Poulter moved, Van Dyke seconded to approve the October 2021 payables as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 6.3. Utz moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the fiscal 2020-2021 year-end financials as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 6.4. Change orders: None
7. Action Items:
 - 7.1. Personnel Matters:

Poulter moved, Myers seconded to approve the following: Resignations: Skyler Koler as assistant high school wrestling coach; and the hires of Michelle Grant as head junior high girls' basketball coach, and Olivia Breske as assistant high school girls' basketball coach. Motion carried 7-0.

- 7.2. Myers moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the 2020-2021 Treasurer's Report, the Fund Balance reports, and the Balance Sheet reports as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.3. Poulter moved, Utz seconded to approve the request for allowable growth and supplemental aid of \$240,393.62 for the Colfax-Mingo School District's 2020-2021 special education deficit. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.4. The application for LEP Allowable Growth is not yet available, so action has been tabled.
- 7.5. Poulter moved, Myers seconded to approve the recommendation that Ahlers & Cooney, PC be retained as the district's legal counsel for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.6. Gibson moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 depository limits at Bank Iowa and ISJIT/UMB as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.7. Van Dyke moved, Myers seconded to approve the Amendment for Additional Services presented by The DLR Group to the Graphite Construction Group, to address the failure to meet the contracted deadline for Phase I of the Athletic Complex construction project. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.8. Tomlonovic moved, Van Dyke seconded to approve the Amendment for Additional Services presented by The DLR Group to TBB&M, LLC, to address the failure to meet the contracted deadline for the Administrative Renovation construction projects. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.9. Poulter moved, Gibson seconded to approve the Resolutions of Appreciation as presented to recognize National Principals' Month, Custodian Appreciation Day, and National School Lunch Week. Motion carried 7-0.
- 7.10. There are no special board meeting dates scheduled at this time. There will be no November work session, as the Board will instead attend respective Committee meetings
- 7.11. Van Dyke moved, Poulter seconded to approve the recommendation to enter into 2021-2022 agreement with Ultimate Nursing Services of Iowa to provide necessary services for a student(s) attending this district. Motion carried 7-0.

8. Discussion Items:

- 8.1. The Board discussed anticipated funding needs for PPEL-qualified purchases in the future, and will consider a special election to renew the Voted PPEL levy, and determine the levy rate needed for appropriate funding. Some of the funding needs identified by the Board include purchasing own bus fleet, continued upgrading of classroom furniture and flooring, technology needs, before/after school care, expansion of space for new programs, and upgrading playground equipment.
- 8.2. Superintendent Anderson provided updated data on coronavirus-related absences. Finding substitute teachers is an issue across the state, and the situation may be compounded if the influenza season is in the extreme.

9. Adjournment: Van Dyke motioned to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. 6:53 pm.

APPROVAL Chet Williams
Chet Williams, Board of Directors President

ATTEST Debra A. Hodgson
Debra A. Hodgson, Board of Directors Secretary