


Colfax-Mingo Community School District
Board of Directors Special Board Meeting
Colfax-Mingo Central Office
Thursday, August 5, 2021


1. Call special meeting to order and determination of quorum: President Chet Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Dawn Gibson, Doug Van Dyke, Jan Myers and Mardell Tomlonovic. Patrick Utz and Mary Poulter participated via Zoom. Administrators present: Superintendent Anderson.
2. Tomlonovic moved, Gibson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Discussion Items:

Athletic Complex update: Superintendent Anderson followed up with requests for information after the August 2 board meeting, where the Board considered Graphite's request to begin Phase II now as is stipulated in the contract, to compensate district \$10,000 for lost football gate revenues, and to extend the July 2022 deadline to October 2022. The recommendation from the district attorneys is that we accept these terms. Alternatives are to litigate discontinuing with this firm, and let bids for another contractor. Both would result in additional expense to the district. Refusing access to Phase II as per contract would set the start date back to spring 2022, with a twelve-month completion date of spring 2023. A delay may also result in additional expenses to the contractor, which could be passed on to the district. Superintendent Anderson conferenced with Graphite owner Russ Carew at length, and Graphite agreed to: Allow the district to host football on the current field until September 17, after which Graphite will take over the site to begin Phase II on September 18; to deposit \$10,000 to the school's student activity fund; and to extend the completion date of Phase II from July 2022 to October 2022; these actions will result in no extra cost to the district toward the completion of this construction project. A legal document would be created, approved and signed by both parties to this effect. Extensive Board conversation included: frustration with the construction company for delays; loss of revenue for school, and organizations who depend on these games for revenue; promises not upheld and lack of trust as a result.
4. Action Items:
 - 4.1. Van Dyke moved to table the decision to accept the above terms until the August 16 board meeting in order to allow time to ring to the public for input. Ayes: Van Dyke, Myers. Nays: Poulter, Gibson, Tomlonovic, Utz, Williams. Motion failed 2-5.

Further discussion: Playing September 3 and 17 games at home, and approaching the schools for the away games on August 27 and September 10 to request to host those games at Colfax-Mingo this year, and then travel away for next season, which would give four home games this season; further delays to the construction project will affect multiple classes of students and multiple sports; the expectation that Phase I will be completed as soon as possible.
 - 4.2. Poulter moved, Utz seconded to approve the recommendation to receive \$10,000 compensation for loss of gates/concessions, Graphite Inc. can begin Phase II on or after Sept 18, and allow extension of Phase II deadline from July 2022 to October 1, 2022 with a \$0 increase for CMCSO due to change in project deadline. Ayes: Poulter, Gibson, Tomlonovic, Utz, Williams. Nays: Van Dyke, Myers. Motion carried 5-2.

Superintendent Anderson will follow up with getting this agreement produced.
5. Adjournment: Van Dyke moved to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. 7:23 pm.

APPROVAL 
Chet Williams, Board of Directors President

ATTEST 
Debra A. Hodgson, Board of Directors Secretary