

Colfax-Mingo Community School District  
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting  
Colfax-Mingo Central Office  
Monday, March 21, 2022  
Minutes are Unofficial until Board Approval

1. Call regular meeting to order and determination of quorum: President Chet Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Dawn Gibson, Mary Poulter, Kendra Perry, Jan Myers and Mardell Tomlonovic. Absent: Patrick Utz. Administrators present: Superintendent Anderson, Principal Summy, and Principal Lancaster.
2. Poulter moved, Myers seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.
3. Notice of Public Hearing on 2022-2023 School Calendar: No written or oral comments received.
4. Recognition of Guests: None registered
5. Administrative Reports:  
Assessment testing will be in April. A K-12 Track & Field Day will be held in May at the new athletic complex. The buildings are reviewing summer school program needs. Additional information shared regarding PBIS, building-wide expectations for consistency, restorative vs punitive opportunities for students, and the K-4 music concert in April.
6. Superintendent's Report: Kelly Disney, the incoming School Business Official effective July 1, 2022, was in attendance and welcomed by the Board. Superintendent Anderson updated the Board regarding: the Jasper County Emergency Response Team meetings, kindergarten roundup, transitioning from the JCM student accounting system to Infinite Campus, an updated staff surveys and the condition of the district, restructuring considerations for the buildings and grounds department, and the Strategic Plan Update.
7. Consent Agenda:
  - 7.1. Myers moved, Poulter seconded to approve the minutes of the 2/14 regular board meeting, the 2/14 closed meeting, the 2/24 special board meeting, and the 3/7 special board meeting as presented. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 7.2. Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve March 2022 payables as presented. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 7.3. Financials will include the review of the 2022-2023 School Budget.
  - 7.4. Change orders: The Board was directed to the Hub to review latest updates regarding change orders.
8. Action Items:
  - 8.1. Personnel Matters:  
Gibson moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the resignations of Josh Rathje as high school assistant football coach, and the position of an additional night custodian, due to the new additions to the high school facilities, effective immediately. In addition, due to internal staff shifts, there is a preschool teaching position opening for the 2022-2023 school year; and the hire of Samantha Poulson as paraprofessional. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 8.2. Gibson moved, Perry seconded to approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar as presented and reviewed by staff, SIAC Committee, and public input. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 8.3. Poulter moved, Tomlonovic seconded to approve the recommendation to renew a three-year agreement with the Colfax-Mingo Education Foundation to lease the Central Office/Bus Barn facilities to the district. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 8.4. Gibson moved, Perry seconded to approve the resolution to the Prairie Meadows Foundation to consider approval of grant applications made by the district. Motion carried 6-0.
  - 8.5. No motion was presented to consider an open enrollment request. No board action taken.
  - 8.6. Poulter moved, Myers seconded to approve the Resolutions of Appreciation to recognize Administrative Assistant Day, National Paraprofessional Appreciation Day, National Teacher Appreciation Week, and

National School Nurse Day. Motion carried 6-0. The Board will organize to provide treats during National Teacher Appreciation Week.

8.7. There are no special board meetings for the Board to take action on at this time.

8.8. Tomlonovic moved, Myers seconded to approve the 2022-2023 AEA Purchasing Agreement, the summer 2022 mowing agreement with the City of Mingo, and the 2022-2023 agreement with Morningside College for student teaching opportunities. Motion carried 6-0.

9. Discussion Items:

9.1. The sanctioning of girls' wrestling in the state will require some school districts to create a shared program in order to maintain adequate participation. Board consensus is that CMCS D hire a head girls' wrestling coach, then collaborate with other schools for assistant coaches and recruiting athletes to the program.

9.2. School Business Official Hodgson reviewed the 2022-2023 school budget. Highlights include: Levy Rate = 16.99/\$1000 assessed value, increase in district income taxes paid, increased enrollment removed district from budget guarantee status, increase in Preschool funding due to enrollment increase, increase in Open Enrollment In tuitions, Pre-Levy in anticipation of sale of General Obligation bonds.

9.3. Jr/Sr High Principal Lancaster presented some proposed adjustments to the current grading system: normalize grading scales by department that demonstrate purpose and are a communication tool regarding student achievement; create terminology by grade; reflect achievement, not behavior; require feedback and ownership of grades; and use short videos and Q&A sessions to communicate. New considerations for grades to be included in GPA: PE, Drama, Speech, and Music. Unweighted GPA 4.0, weighted GPA 5.0. Furthermore, considering AP college-level classes.

9.4. The Board reviewed the results of the VPPEL election held March 1. Thank you to the community for the support of this important revenue source. The district will continue promoting and funding all aspects of public education that benefit the students from all across the district.

9.5. The Board discussed traffic and spectator access to the softball/baseball fields while construction is in progress.

9.6. The Board discussed scenarios to address three days of school lost due to inclement weather. Administration was directed to bring staff back on May 27 for a work day, pay accordingly, and compensate the remaining two days based on work-day criteria.

9.7. The Board discussed stipends for certified staff not included in the Governor's proclamation of eligible certified staff. Administration was directed to compensate those excluded certified staff with a like compensation, and to compensate classified staff with a lesser amount, contingent on intent to return next school year.

10. Adjournment: Tomlonovic motioned to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. 8:12 pm.

APPROVAL \_\_\_\_\_  
Chet Williams, Board of Directors President

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