

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COLLINS-MAXWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 16, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER The Board of Education met in regular session with President Lowell Crouse calling the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Maxwell Library.

Board members present: Bryce Caple, Lowell Crouse, Justin Boege, Mark Huntrods, Brad Plunkett

Administrators present: Superintendent Jason Ellingson, Board Sec/Treas/Business Manager Bonnie Mitchell, MS/HS Principal Kevin Williams, Elementary Principal Chad Grandon

Visitors: Trevor, Trent, Emily, Laurie and Mary Coughenour, Tucker Maxwell, Charles and Hannah Robertson, Dylan Williams, Jacob Skinner, Madison Tyrrell, Micayla Applegate, Bill and Amanda Harrington, Tera and Lori Porter, Aric Broderick, Briana Dunn, Troy Hyde, Paul Viers, MariElyn Reisdorf, Chad Maxwell, Frank Sposeto IV, Doug and Nate Bishop, Hunter Gunderson, Joel and Tara Huntrods, Tom Logsdon, Deb Hartgers, Mary Ann Morrison, Dona Coumar, Shelly Balke, Chelsea Thomson, Amy Van Maanen, Brad Ritter, Jennifer Waters, Spencer Cauch, Brady Ross, Jacob Acord, Jeff, Andrew and Mandy Lindemoen, Devan Wulf, Caleb Sievert, Conner Johnson, Max Van Maanen, Bradley Tyrrell, Joseph Bienfang, Bryce Bane, Richard White, Austin Galbraith, Troy and Trisha Houge, Jon Hand, Richard Phelps, Cherri Bates, Joseph and Mary Bienfang

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Moved by Boege, seconded by Caple, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried 5y-0n.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS Caple motioned, seconded by Huntrods, to approve the consent items that consist of:

- o Minutes of the January 19, 2015 board meeting
- o Financial reports for January
- o General fund and schoolhouse fund bills totaling \$297,993.45
- o Contracts and resignations approved: Resignations: Kevin Williams to accept the 7-12 Principal position at Madrid next year. The board would like to thank him for his service to the school and community.
Approvals: Dan Beeding Head MS Girls Track coach and Head MS softball coach; Kelsey Bruhn Asst. MS Girls Track coach; Cole Billerbeck Head MS Boys Track coach and Asst. HS Baseball coach; Jeff Loving Assistant MS Boys Track coach; Kevin Williams Asst. MS Baseball coach.
- o New TLC positions:
System Learning Specialists – these will be full-time instructional coaches with no classroom
Pam Heward and Jessica Swaab
PD Coaches – these positions will receive a stipend to lead PD groups
Hannah Austin, Cherri Bates, Jaynee Christian, Kristi Hauptert
Mentor teachers – these positions will receive a stipend to support new teachers
Cody Coffelt

Motion carried 5y-0n.

4. PUBLIC FORUM Jennifer Waters, representative of the C-M Recreation League, would like the board to look into the possibility of having little kids basketball at Collins or Maxwell next year. Practices would be at night and games on Saturday. Paul Viers asked about when open gym was to start and Tom Logsdon replied it would be on Sunday's from 1 to 3.

5. COMMUNICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS Written reports were given to the board from the three administrators.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF HS ROBOTICS OVERNIGHT TRIP Cherri Bates, sponsor for the HS Robotics Club is requesting to stay overnight in Iowa City to attend the state FTC Robotics competition on February 20 and 21, 2015. They may also need March 6 and 7 in Coralville, if they advance. The club members gave a short video presentation to explain their projects. The board thanked them for the presentation and approved the trip with a motion from Plunkett, and seconded by Caple. Motion carried 5y-0n.

B. APPROVAL OF CMB ATHLETIC SHARING AGREEMENT FOR 2015-2016 AND 2016-2017 Discussion followed on sharing sports with Baxter. Plunkett moved, seconded by Caple, to approve the state sharing agreement documents for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years. Motion carried 5y-0n.

C. APPROVAL OF EARLY RETIREMENT REQUESTS Sue Lee and Beth Atwood has submitted applications for early retirement at the end of this school year. The board wishes to thank them for their many years of service to the district and a motion from Huntrods, seconded by Caple, approved the early retirements. Motion carried 5y-0n.

D. APPROVAL OF 2014 DRIVER EDUCATION FEES February is the month we typically begin promoting our spring driver's education program to the students and their parents. Last year, the board agreed to maintain the student

driver's fee at \$300, which was also the price the year before. Gary Smith will be our teacher this year, and with his salary, instructional materials and car repair and maintenance it was decided to leave the fee at \$300 with a motion from Caple, seconded by Boege. Motion carried 5y-0n.

E. APPROVAL OF 2015-16 SCHOOL CALENDAR The proposed calendar was submitted to the board to help meet the Department of Education's deadline of March 15th. The proposed rough draft aligns to the previous start dates of after the Iowa State Fair. Caple made the motion, seconded by Boege, to approve the early start waiver with school starting on August 23rd for the 2015-16 school year if approved by the state. Motion carried 5y-0n.

F. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SPECIAL ELECTION TO RENEW VOTED PHYSICAL PLANT

AND EQUIPMENT LEVY The public voted PPEL expires at the end of this fiscal year. This is a \$.67 levy that generates \$95,000 in funding for buses, computers, facility improvements, etc. April 7th is the next "special election" date offered by the state. Director Caple introduced the Resolution ordering election on the question of continuing to levy a voter approved physical plant and equipment property tax, and moved its adoption. Director Boege seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Lowell Crouse, Brad Plunkett, Mark Huntrods, Justin Boege and Bryce Caple Nays: none. Motion carried 5y-0n.

G. DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AT MS-HS BUILDING IN MAXWELL Discussion followed on potential facility improvements for the MS/HS building. Several options were discussed with the board deciding to put together a 13-15-person community panel along with two board members to meet and develop a plan for the improvements.

6. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED NEXT MONTH Potential facility improvements at the MS-HS building in Maxwell

7. ADJOURNMENT Caple, seconded by Huntrods, made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 9:49 p.m. Motion carried 5y-0n.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting will be March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the Maxwell Library.

Bonnie Mitchell
Board Secretary