

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
COLLINS-MAXWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MARCH 17, 2014**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** The Board of Education met in regular session with President Lowell Crouse calling the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Maxwell Library.

Board members present: Amy Van Maanen, Bryce Caple, Lowell Crouse, Justin Boege, Mark Huntrods

Administrators present: Superintendent Jason Ellingson, Board Sec/Treas/Business Manager Bonnie Mitchell, MS/HS Principal David Perrigo, Elementary Principal Jeff Watson

Visitors: Sue Lee, Maxine Harms, Jaynee Christian, Pam Heward, Henry Hauptert, Joe Benesh

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

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

- o Minutes of the February 14, 2014 board meeting
- o Financial reports for February
- o General fund and schoolhouse fund bills totaling \$183,539.61
- o Scholarships in the amount of \$1,975.00
- o General Construction costs: \$29,557.35
- o Contracts and resignations approved:
  1. Approve David Perrigo as Driver's Education teacher for this year
  2. Alex Brown approved as assistant middle school girls track coach

Motion carried 5y-0n.

**4. PUBLIC FORUM** none

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. ACADEMIC PRESENTATION** Principal Jeff Watson, along with teachers Sue Lee, Maxine Harms and Jaynee Christian, gave a presentation on Response to Intervention (RtI) which has now been changed to Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) by the Iowa Department of Education. This is a program that the elementary is piloting on new literacy assessments, the data being collected, and how we are improving reading instruction and learning from preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The board thanked them for their time and information.

**B. APPROVAL OF 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR** Motion by Van Maanen, second by Boege, to approve the proposed 2014-15 calendar. Motion carried 5y-0n.

**C. APPROVAL OF 2013 AUDIT** The audit for last year has been completed and with a motion by Huntrods, seconded by Van Maanen, approval was given. Motion carried 5y-0n. A copy of the audit will be available on the school's website.

**D. APPROVAL OF BUS PURCHASE** With a motion by Boege, seconded by Caple, the board approved the purchase of a 2001 64-passenger bus for \$8,500. Motion carried 4y-1n. Crouse-aye, Van Maanen-aye, Huntrods-nay, Caple-aye, Boege-aye

**E. INSTALLING LIGHTS ON COLLINS BASEBALL FIELD** Caple motioned, Van Maanen seconded, a motion to accept the bid from Musco Lighting to install lighting at the Collins baseball field in the amount of \$165,000. Motion carried 4y-1n. Huntrods-nay, Boege-aye, Caple-aye, Van Maanen-aye, Crouse-aye

**F. DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AT MS-HS BUILDING IN MAXWELL** Joe Benesh, from RDG, was at the meeting to review the potential scope of work, as well as the RDG proposal contract. The board decided to have a workshop to determine the scope of work, the full cost of the work needed and to meet with a couple of construction managers to see if we need or want to hire one for these improvements. The date is to be determined.

**EXEMPT SESSION AS PER IOWA CODE 20.17(3)**

Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Caple, to go out of open session and into exempt session according to Iowa Code 20.17(3) at 9:24 p.m. Motion carried by a roll call vote: Huntrods-aye, Caple-aye, Boege-aye, Crouse-aye, Van Maanen-aye. Van Maanen made the motion, seconded by Boege, to come out of exempt session and into open session at 10:01 p.m. Motion carried by roll call vote: Caple-aye, Crouse-aye, Van Maanen-aye, Boege-aye, Huntrods-aye.

**6. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED NEXT MONTH** Potential facility improvements at the MS-HS building in Maxwell and proposed budget for 2014-2015.

**7. ADJOURNMENT** A motion was made by Huntrods, second by Boege, to adjourn the board meeting at 10:02 p.m. Motion carried 5y-0n.

**NEXT MEETING** The next regular meeting and budget hearing will be April 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Maxwell Library. The date of the regular meeting has been moved up a week to have the proposed budget hearing before the budget due date of April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Bonnie Mitchell  
Board Secretary