# June 14, 2010 Regular Meeting Board of Directors Clarinda Community School District

The Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District met in regular session on Monday, June 14, 2010, 7:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway, Clarinda, IA 51632.

## **Call to Order**

President Watkins called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **Roll Call**

The following board members were present: President Watkins, Vice President Turner, Fine, McComb, and Rarick.

### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fine, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

### Audience to Visitors

President Watkins welcomed all visitors to the meeting. No visitors chose to address the board at this time.

#### **Administrative Reports**

Ms. Nook, High School Principal, reported:

1. I will be traveling to Tamana, Japan Thursday, escorting three of our students who will spend the summer there. The three students are Anna Smith, ShayLea Foster and Andrea Nelson.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. Trevor Huffaker from bcdm was here last Friday. He now believes the leaks in the hallway of the band/wrestling addition are the result of the space around the screws in the flashing. A new procedure will be used to see if the problem can be solved.

2. We are currently interviewing candidates for school nurse.

3. We will start the procedure to renew our board approved Instructional Support Levy at our next meeting.

#### **Consent Items**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the following consent items:

A. Minutes of the May 10, 2010, May 19, 2010, and May 26, 2010 meetings.

В.	Bills in the amounts of:	
	General Fund	\$230,508.55
	Activity Fund	\$15,220.24
	Capital Projects	\$5,960.00
	Nutrition Fund	\$16,647.21
	Trust & Agency Fund	\$1,373.65
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C. May 31, 2010 Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Board member McComb informed he had audited the bills and found them in order for payment. With a correction in the names of the board members present at the May 10<sup>th</sup> board meeting, the motion to approve the consent items was approved on a 5-0 vote.

#### **Old Business**

Board members had no old business to consider at this time.

## **New Business**

## Approve Request for Additional Contract Days for Vocational Agriculture Teacher

Andy Johnson, high school agriculture teacher, was on hand to present his request for 10 days to be added to his teaching contract. Currently, Mr. Johnson is paid 190 teaching days plus 20 extra days for activities beyond the normal school day. In addition, Mr. Johnson is paid a stipend as FFA advisor. His request would put his new contract at 190 days plus 30 extra days for activities beyond the normal school day and the FFA stipend of \$1,339.13. Mr. Johnson provided a handout illustrating the number of extended days given to 208 Ag teachers across the state in 2008. In 2008, before the budget constraints of this past year, the average number of extended

days worked by those Ag teachers was 36.9. Mr. Johnson's handout also listed the programs and events attended by our FFA students and advisor and also some the successes of the Ag Education program and The Brokaw FFA. Discussion included statements by board members that we need to keep investing in agriculture, as we are an agriculture community. Another comment in favor of the request was that Mr. Johnson has built the program to be very successful. Board member McComb said, "I can't justify it. Others do above what is required. This would set a precedent when others come to us." Ms. Rarick added, "Mr. Johnson is amazing, but I struggle with adding additional pay when we froze the salaries on some employees this year." Following the presentation and discussion, a motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fine to approve the request for 10 additional contract days for the Vocational Ag instructor contract. Motion carried 3-2. Aye: Turner, Fine, and Watkins. Nay: McComb, Rarick.

## **Approve Resignation(s)**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to approve the coaching resignation of Colleen Comer as middle school track coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Approve Contract(s)**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fine, to approve the contract with Malia Blay to serve as elementary teacher for the 2010-2011 school year. Ms. Blay graduated from UNO in May and will be teaching kindergarten at Garfield this fall. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Rarick, seconded by Turner, to approve the contract with Anna Anderson to serve as middle school teacher and assistant  $7^{th}/8^{th}$  basketball and track coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Ms. Anderson is from Chariton, IA and received her Bachelor's Degree from Northwestern College in Orange City in May. She will be teaching  $5^{th}/6^{th}$  grade math. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Approve Sanitation Bid**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Turner, to approve the bid from Southwest M&M Sanitation to provide waste pickup at a cost of \$900 per month for the 2011 fiscal year. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Approve Administrator Mentoring and Induction Program**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Rarick, to participate in the School Administrators of Iowa Mentoring and Induction Program for the 2010-2011 school year. We are required by state law to have an agreement with an approved entity. There is no cost to the district if we do not use the service. Motion carried 5-0.

## Approve Iowa Educator Consortium Food Coop Contract

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to approve the contract to participate in the Iowa Educator Consortium Food Coop Program for 2010-2011. By participating in the program, schools reap the benefits of group purchasing prices. Motion carried 5-0.

## Approve College Academy Sharing Agreement with IWCC

A motion was made by Rarick, seconded by Turner, to approve the sharing agreement with IWCC to provide College Academy courses for the 2010-2011 school year. College Academy classes are part of a shared program with IWCC where the district works cooperatively with the College to determine the types of courses available to students. The district is charged the full tuition rate, but is able to generate about half the cost through our annual certified enrollment count. Examples of those classes are Composition, Psychology, Western Civ, Biology, U.S. History, and Calculus. Following discussion of the requirements to be met by students in order to participate, the board voted 5-0 to approve the motion.

### **Board Correspondence**

Rarick: Congratulations to the girls' golf team on their 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish at State. Fine: Last week was a very tough week for our students and community.

### Adjournment

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Cindy L. VanFosson Board Secretary