

**June 9, 2008
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 9, 2008, 7:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway, Clarinda, IA 51632.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

The following board members were present: President McComb, Vice President Watkins, Fulk, Scherf, and Turner.

Approval of Agenda

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

Audience to Visitors

President McComb welcomed all visitors to the meeting. No visitors chose to address the Board at this time.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Honnold, Superintendent, reported:

1. The New Market buildings and land immediately around them will be deeded to the Clarinda School District as of July 1, 2008, unless the City of New Market makes arrangements to receive the property prior to that time.
2. The high school boilers have been removed in preparation for installation of new equipment. Installation by Two Rivers Group will begin after the Glenn Miller Festival.
3. Iowa Telecom has communicated they will not have the copper wire connection between buildings completed until approximately the end of July.
4. We received word our district was not chosen for funding of a voluntary four-year-old preschool for this fall.
5. IASB is again requesting a list of our top 5 legislative priorities for the next legislative session. You have received a list of several items we can choose from, or we can generate one or more of our own. We will be compiling our list at the July meeting.
6. Nomination papers for the September 9th school board election can be filed between July 7 and July 31, 2008.

Consent Items

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

- A. Minutes of the May 12, 2008 meeting.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$194,227.02
Activity Fund	\$19,669.52
Capital Projects	\$11,900.00
Nutrition Fund	\$14,739.13
Trust & Agency Fund	\$236.74
- C. May 31, 2008, Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Board President McComb stated he had audited the bills and recommended payment. The motion carried 5-0.

Old Business

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

New Business

Discussion on 403(b) Program for School Employees

The 2008 Iowa Legislature passed legislation designed to help school districts implement new IRS regulations regarding the administration of tax sheltered annuity programs effective January 1, 2009. The new Iowa law provides two options for employers to consider. Schools may either maintain their own 403(b) plan as a local option, or join the State's plan. The choice of which option to select will be made by mutual agreement between the

Board of Education and the Clarinda Education Association by August 15, 2008. The Iowa Association of School Business Officials have been extremely helpful in educating us on items we should consider when making the decision. We will be discussing this item at the next two meetings and making a decision before August 15th.

Approve Resignation(s)

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Turner, to approve the resignation of Lea Ann Huckins as high school special education teacher. Ms. Huckins has accepted a position with AEA #13. She has been an instructor in the Clarinda District for ten years. Due to declining enrollment, we will not hire a replacement for this position. Following discussion, the motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Contracts and Transfers

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Watkins, to approve the transfer of Sandy Simdorn from middle school girls' basketball to 9th grade girls' basketball for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Scherf, seconded by Turner, to approve contract with Jason Gordon to serve as middle school physical education teacher, middle school football, assistant high school wrestling, and middle school boys' track coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fulk, to approve the contract with Lori Wiebesiek to serve as elementary teacher for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Scherf, to approve contract with Julie Karns to serve as middle school math teacher and football and wrestling cheerleading sponsor for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Turner, to approve the regular and Market Factor contracts with James Hash to serve as high school business education teacher, Business Professionals of America sponsor and high school assistant volleyball coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Scherf, seconded by Watkins, to approve the contract with Russ Clark to serve as bus driver for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Clark has been driving for the New Market District; therefore he is familiar with their current bus routes. Following discussion of the additional route and the number of miles being covered, the motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the contract with Amy Gardner to serve as food service worker for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Watkins, to approve the contract with Shirley Maxwell to serve as business manager for the New Market Dissolution Trust. Mrs. Maxwell will be finalizing the 2007-2008 business transactions for the New Market District and will participate in the audit in September. Following discussion, the motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Smoking Ban Policy

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the board policy making school facilities, school events, and school equipment smoke free effective July 1, 2008. The new law passed by the 2008 Iowa Legislature mandates this revision of our current Board policy. Following a short discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Adopt Resolution to Transition Board of Directors to Four Year Terms

WHEREAS, the 82nd General Assembly of Iowa has adopted, and the Governor has approved, HF 2620 changing the election laws of the State of Iowa affecting the length of director terms and the time for regular school elections; and,

WHEREAS, this board of directors is required to adopt a transition plan to accomplish the election of directors in only the odd numbered years with all of the directors elected in 2009 elected to four year terms and resulting in as nearly as possible one-half of members of the board being elected biennially; and,

WHEREAS, the board has authority pursuant to HF 2620 to shorten or lengthen the terms of directors elected in 2007 and 2008 to accomplish the transition so that the terms of these directors shall expire at the regular school election in 2009 or 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District as follows: Section 1. The following terms of office are lengthened or shortened as set out below:

Director Name	Last Elected	Original Date for Term to End	New Date for Term to End
Scott McComb	2007	2010	2011
Dale Fulk	2006	2009	2009
Pallin Turner	2006	2009	2009
Larry Scherf	2008	2011	2011
Seth Watkins	2008	2011	2011

Section 2. The terms of directors elected to three-year terms in 2006 shall not be shortened or lengthened.

Section 3. The board secretary shall cause this plan to be submitted to the office of the state commissioner of elections upon its adoption.

Director Scherf introduced the resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Director Turner. After due consideration by the Board, the President put the question upon the adoption of the resolution and the roll being called the following named members of the Board voted: Ayes: Turner, Fulk, Watkins, Scherf, McComb. Nays: None.

Approve Participation in SAI Administrator Mentoring Program

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fulk, to approve the agreement with School Administrators of Iowa to participate in the administrator mentoring program for the 2008-2009 school year. Although we do not have a first year administrator, the Iowa Department of Education requires us to provide proof of a mentoring program. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Review of Substitute Pay Schedules

Each year the administration and Board of Directors review substitute pay rates. Based on comparisons made with other school districts, the following pay increases were recommended by the Superintendent:

Position	2006-2007 2007-2008	2008-2009
Substitute Teacher	\$95.00/day	\$100.00/day
Reg. Driver Activity Trip	\$13.00/hour	\$13.50/hour
Reg. Driver Sit Time	\$7.75/hour	\$8.00/hour
Sub. Driver Activity Trip	\$12.50/hour	\$13.00/hour
Sub. Driver Sit Time	\$7.50/hour	\$8.00/hour

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Scherf, to approve the recommended increases in substitute rates for the 2008-2009 school year for teachers and bus drivers. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Garbage Pickup Bids for 2008-2009

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Turner, to approve the bid from Southwest M&M Sanitation of \$650 per month for garbage pickup for the 2008-2009 school year. The following bids were received from sanitation contractors:

Geer Sanitation \$850/month
Southwest M&M Sanitation \$650/month

Following discussion, the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote of the Board.

Appoint Clarinda Board President as Authorized Signature for New Market Accounts

A motion was made by Scherf, seconded by Watkins, to appoint the Clarinda Board President as the Authorized signature for the New Market bank accounts effective July 1, 2008. This recommendation came from the Department of Education as a solution for the payment of the last of the New Market bills as the books are closed. As approved in an earlier item, Shirley Maxwell will process any bills for payment and Mrs. Maxwell and the Clarinda Board President, Scott McComb following approval by both the Clarinda and Bedford Boards, will sign the checks. It is believed there will be very few bills to be considered for payment after June 30th. Following a short discussion, the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

Approve New Market Auction

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fulk, to approve the New Market School auction including all remaining district assets. The auction is scheduled for June 21st and June 28th. The proceeds from the auction will be deposited into the New Market accounts. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Board Correspondence

Scherf: Congratulations to the girls' golf team on their 5th place finish at state. Also to Jenny Geer for her individual 5th place finish.

Fulk: Would like to commend the bus drivers for their dedication and diligence in transporting our students this past school year. It was a challenging winter and our drivers did a fantastic job in some tough driving conditions.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Watkins, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Cindy L. VanFosson
Board Secretary