

**March 23, 2015  
Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Clarinda Community School District**

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    2. Adopt Resolution for Budget Guarantee
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Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District met in regular session on Monday, March 23, 2015, 5:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway St., Clarinda, IA 51632.

**Call to Order**

President Sunderman called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**

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

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by McComb, to approve the agenda, removing item 7B. Motion carried 5-0.

**Audience to Visitors**

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

**Administrative Reports**

Mrs. Opperman, Elementary Principal, reported:

- 1) All buildings are administering Iowa Assessment testing this week.

Miss Nook, High School Principal, reported:

- 1) The Hawkeye 10 Academic banquet will be held April 8<sup>th</sup> in Atlantic. Abby Brown will receive an Academic Award and Austin Smith will receive the Character Award.

2) Cade Solivan qualified for the National History Bee & Bowl to be held April 24-26 in Washington D.C. Cade's sister Isabel will be competing with him at the event.

Mr. Irvin, Activities Director, reported:

- 1) The Spring production, *Dilemmas with Dinner*, will be performed Friday and Saturday at 7pm.
- 2) Students involved in weight-training will be participating in the annual Lift-a-thon on Saturday, March 28th.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

- 1) Craig has been clearing the small junk trees in the ditch south of the football field. The City has offered to help haul the debris.
- 2) The Department of Education site visit is April 14-16. The site visit committee will meet with two members of the Board at 6:00 p.m. on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **Old Business**

Board members had no old business to consider.

### **New Business**

#### **Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Discussion**

Superintendent Honnold provided a PowerPoint presentation on how the 2015-2016 budget will be calculated. The district budget is affected by such variables as state dictated per pupil cost, student enrollment, and property tax valuations. An open hearing will be held to allow residents the opportunity to voice their opinion on the proposed budget. The Legislature has not determined per pupil cost for 2015-2016. Currently, it is \$6,366 per student and if the Legislature cannot agree on an increase, it will stay at that level next year. Because school districts must certify their budget by April 15<sup>th</sup>, the proposed budget will be published in the April 2nd edition of the Clarinda Herald Journal assuming a 0% increase. The proposed levy rate is \$10.88 per \$1000 assessed valuation.

#### **Adopt Resolution for Budget Guarantee**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fine, RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District will levy property tax for fiscal year 2015-2016 for the regular program adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote of the Board.

#### **Set April 13, 2015 for the Open Public Hearing on the 2016 Fiscal Budget**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Watkins, to set 5:00 p.m. on April 13, 2015, in the McKinley Central Office Board Room as the date, time, and place for the open hearing on the 2016 fiscal year budget. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Gym Entrance Discussion**

Board members discussed the drawings provided by Cliff True of BCDM Architects as options for protecting the north gym doors and gym floor at the high school. The consensus of the board was to proceed with an approximately 15' X 70' addition on the north side of the gym, which would cover both north doors and allow storage between them. The architect will proceed with developing specifications and bid sheets for possible contractors.

### **Correspondence**

Turner: The FFA Banquet last Thursday provided guests the opportunity to see how many students are involved in FFA leadership activities. We have a very strong FFA program.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Cindy L. VanFosson  
Board Secretary