

**October 12, 2015
Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Clarinda Community School District**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Audience to Visitors
5. Administrative Reports
6. Consent Items
 - A. Approval of Minutes
 - B. Approval of Bills in the Amount of:
 - General Fund \$86,468.22
 - Activity Fund \$14,179.28
 - Management Fund \$44,158.41
 - Nutrition Fund \$25,173.70
 - Capital Projects \$6,433.15
 - C. Analysis of Reports
 - Financial Statements
 - Activity Accounts
 - Hot Lunch
 - Open Enrollment Application(s)
7. Old Business
 - A. Approve Teacher Leadership Compensation Application
8. New Business
 - A. Report on Early Literacy Initiative
 - B. Review Preliminary Enrollment Report
 - C. Approve Special Education Contracts
 - D. Approve Rooftop Unit Replacement Quote
 - E. Approve Sunday Practice Request
9. Correspondence from Board Members
10. Adjournment

Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District met in regular session on Monday, October 12, 2015, 5:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway, 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 McComb, Bond, Jones, and Turner.

Approval of Agenda

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

Audience to Visitors

President Sunderman welcomed all visitors to the meeting. No visitors chose to address the Board.

Administrative Reports

Miss Nook, High School Principal, reported:

1. Parent-teacher conferences last week saw approximately 30% attendance by high school parents.
2. The Simon Estes Foundation's Young Artist Performance Program is bringing 2 young artists to Clarinda, where they will work with some high school students and present a concert on October 19th.
3. Hawkeye Ten principals will meet in Clarinda on October 22nd, as part of the rotation of visiting each school during the regular monthly meetings.
4. The fall production, The Importance of Being Earnest, will be performed November 6th and 7th.
5. A student from NWMSU will be completing a practicum in Ken Balster's classroom the first week of November. We currently have a student teacher in Andy Johnson's classroom.

Mr. Porter, Middle School Principal, reported:

1. Mrs. Aldrich will travel to Granger with 3 middle school students tomorrow to attend The Super Power Summit. They will spend the day learning to live an active lifestyle, choose healthy food options, and advocate for school wellness.
2. I've been spending a lot of time in classrooms, observing teaching strategies and student engagement.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. We had a new Sonic Wall installed last Thursday evening to create a smoother running network and alleviate telephone system issues.
2. The teaching staff technology training day last Friday went well. Thank you to Julie Cabeen, Suzi Stanton, and Connie Sunderman for helping to plan and execute the training.
3. Congratulations to Ken Balster, who was inducted into the Iowa High School Speech Association's Hall of Fame last Friday.
4. The Iowa Association of School Boards annual convention is November 19th in Des Moines. The deadline to register is November 2nd.

Consent Items

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

- A. Minutes of the September 14, 2015 and September 28, 2015 meetings.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$86,468.22
Activity Fund	\$14,179.28
Management Fund	\$44,158.41
Nutrition	\$25,173.70
Capital Projects	\$6,433.15
- C. September 30, 2015, Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

McComb stated he had audited the bills, found them in order, and recommended payment. The motion to approve the consent items was approved on a 5-0 vote.

Old Business

Approve Teacher Leadership Compensation Application

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Jones, to approve the Teacher Leadership Compensation application for the 2016-2017 school year. Details of the plan were presented and discussed at the September 28, 2015 Board of Directors meeting. It is due to the Department of Education October 16, 2015. The District is expecting communication in December on the status of the application. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Report on Early Literacy Initiative

Iowa Code section 279.68 and 281--Iowa Administrative Code 62 promote effective evidence-based programming, instruction and assessment practices across schools to support all students to become proficient readers by the end of the third grade. General requirements are listed below and were implemented no later than August 1, 2014 unless otherwise indicated.

- Provision of universal screening in reading for students in kindergarten through third grade
- Progress monitoring for students who exhibit a substantial deficiency in reading
- Provision of intensive instruction – including 90 minutes daily of scientific, research-based reading instruction - for students who exhibit a substantial deficiency in reading
- Notice to parents that a student exhibits a substantial deficiency in reading, including strategies the parents can use at home to help the child succeed
- Notice to parents of such a student's subsequent progress
- Provision of an evidence-based summer reading program for students who exhibit a substantial deficiency in reading (Effective May 1, 2017)
- Retention of any student who is not proficient in reading by the end of the third grade, did not attend the summer reading program, and does not qualify for a good cause exemption from the retention requirement (Effective May 1, 2017)

Elementary Principal, Mrs. Opperman, and elementary teachers Erin Kirsch, Melanie Johnson, and Becky Ascherl were at the meeting to share information on what Garfield Elementary is doing to address reading deficiencies to prepare for the impact of the legislation. Parents and community members can read more about the Iowa law on the Department of Education website under Early Literacy Implementation.

Review Preliminary Enrollment Report

Certified Enrollment is an annual report of enrolled resident students used for the Iowa School Finance Formula calculation. The certified enrollment count is taken on the first day of October every year, or the following Monday if the first falls on a weekend. The data collection is located on a secure web site and is due no later than October 15. The Clarinda District count also includes Iowa resident non-special education students at the Clarinda Academy. Superintendent Honnold presented board members with enrollment data, both current and historic. Although the final count won't be known until later in the week, it appears the District's certified enrollment is up 50 students, with 10 of those students at the Clarinda Academy. The Superintendent also spoke on the number of open enrolled in students in contrast with the number of open enrolled out and how that revenue benefits our budget.

Approve Special Education Contracts

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Bond, to approve the contract with Council Bluffs Community School District to provide educational services for a Clarinda resident special education student. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve the contracts with Council Bluffs, Des Moines Independent, Iowa City, Mason City, Nodaway Valley, Ottumwa, and Sioux City Community School Districts for resident special education students being served at the Clarinda Academy. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Rooftop Unit Replacement Quote

A motion was made by Bond, seconded by Turner, to approve the quote from Wallin Plumbing and Heating of \$5,878.93, to replace the rooftop makeup unit at the middle school. This is the unit that brings fresh air into the building during the day. Following discussion of the repair, the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Sunday Practice Request

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Bond, to approve the request to allow a voluntary practice for the football team on Sunday afternoon, October 25, 2015. The first round of the football playoffs are October 28th and coaches would like the extra practice to prepare. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Correspondence

Turner: 1) Congratulations to Mr. Balster for his induction in the Iowa High School Speech Association Hall of Fame. He is very deserving.

Adjournment

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Cindy L. VanFosson
Board Secretary