

**September 26, 2011**  
**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, September 26, 2011, 7:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway, Clarinda, IA 51632.

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

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

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by McComb, to approve the agenda. The motion was approved 5-0.

**Audience to Visitors**

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

**Administrative Reports**

Chad Leonard, Education Director for the Clarinda Academy, reported:

1. The Academy is preparing a letter to the IHSAA petitioning a move to 2A if redistricting puts them in a position where it would be beneficial to all involved.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. The Cardinal Funds Foundation has communicated their desire to purchase approximately \$9,600 of technology equipment this fall. We will purchase document cameras, a digital camera for the middle school yearbook, and four Ipads with software.
2. We are working with Essex, exploring options to share High School Spanish.
3. I'd like to commend both the Clarinda Rescue and the Clarinda Regional Health Center for their part in caring for our students immediately following the bus accident on Friday. Also, Serle Kirchner, our bus driver did exactly as he should have, calming the kids and making sure they were safe. It was a learning experience and we're very thankful no one was seriously injured.

**Old Business**

**Board Member Recognition**

Retiring member, Scott McComb, was recognized and thanked for 10 years of service on the Board of Directors.

**Organizational Meeting**

**Report of 2011 Board Election Results**

Board Secretary Cindy VanFosson read the election results. Page County Election Commissioner, Melissa Wellhausen, certified the following to be the results of the September 13, 2011, school board election:

4-year term

Brian K. Fine	62 *
Darin Sunderman	66 *
Seth JL Watkins	58 *
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\*Elected

Number of Votes = 187

**Administer Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Members**

Secretary VanFosson administered the oath of office to Brian Fine, Darin Sunderman, and Seth Watkins.

### **Election of Board President**

VanFosson asked for nominations for the office of President of the Board of Directors. Mr. Watkins nominated Pallin Turner to serve as President of the Board of Directors for 2011-2012. Rarick seconded the nomination and Ms. Turner was elected on a 4-0 vote. She assumed the President's role at this point of the organizational meeting.

### **Election of Board Vice President**

Mr. Watkins nominated Brian Fine to serve as Vice President of the Board of Directors for 2011-2012. Rarick seconded the motion and Fine was elected to the office of Vice President on a 4-0 vote.

### **Appointment of Committee Assignments**

President Turner made the following committee assignments:

1. Auditing Committee: Beth Rarick and Brian Fine
2. Board Policy Review Committee: Beth Rarick and Darin Sunderman
3. Page County Conference Board: Seth Watkins
4. Legislative Action Network: Darin Sunderman
5. Cardinal Funds Committee Representative: Beth Rarick
6. School Improvement Advisory Committee: Brian Fine and Pallin Turner

### **New Business**

#### **Legislative Visit with Representative Richard Anderson**

Rich Anderson was on hand to listen and discuss with board members areas of interest for the upcoming 2012 legislative session. Economic conditions continue to be a major talking point as does Governor Branstad's education reform priority. Board members thanked Mr. Anderson for his diligent work representing the needs of Southwest Iowa in the State Legislature.

#### **Approve Special Education Contracts**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Sunderman, to approve the contracts with Algona, Ames, Atlantic, Ballard, Bedford, Cedar Rapids, Clarke, Council Bluffs, Des Moines Independent, Dubuque, Glenwood, Interstate 35, Keokuk, Marshalltown, Mason City, MOC/Floyd Valley, Montezuma, Nevada, Red Oak, Schaller-Crestland, Sergeant Bluff-Luton, Sheldon, Shenandoah, Sidney, Sioux City, South Page, Storm Lake, Van Buren, Waterloo, and West Burlington Community School Districts for special education students being served at the Clarinda Academy. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Cast Vote for AEA 13 Director**

A motion was made by Rarick, seconded by Watkins, to cast our vote for Raymond Storm as the Director of District 1 for the Green Hills AEA Board of Directors. District 1 includes Bedford, Central Decatur, Clarinda, Clearfield, Diagonal, Lamoni, Lenox, Mormon Trail, and Mount Ayr Community School Districts. Raymond Storm is from Derby, Iowa, which is in the Mormon Trail School District. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Approve Board Meeting Start Times for 2011-2012**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Sunderman, to approve temporarily setting regular meeting times to begin at 5:00 p.m. for the next 4 months and ask the board policy committee to review the policy of board meeting dates and times. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Approve Change of October 10 Board Meeting Time**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Sunderman, to move the October 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting to Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Correspondence From Board Members**

Fine: Thankful everything went ok with the bus accident last Friday.

Rarick: On behalf of the Cardinal Funds Committee, we'd like to thank all who attended the Gala and showed support for our district students. The Committee is happy to be providing technology items the staff might otherwise not have.

Sunderman: I look forward to serving on the Board.

Watkins: I'd like to welcome Darin to the Board. I hope he enjoys working with us to serve the students in our district.

Turner: I would also like to welcome Darin to the Board. Glad to have him.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Rarick, to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned.

Cindy L. VanFosson  
Board Secretary