

**July 12, 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, July 12, 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, and McComb. Rarick was absent.

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

**Audience to Visitors**

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

**Administrative Reports**

Mr. Irvin, Activities Director, reported:

1. My first days in the district have gone well. I'm learning a lot and appreciate the support of everyone as I become accustomed to the staff, students, and community. I'm very excited to be here and look forward to being involved in our education system.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. With the merging of AEA 13 and 14, the Shenandoah office has been closed. Two AEA staff members will now have offices here in the McKinley Building.
2. The high school library remodel project is moving along. We should have the refinished bookshelves back from Iowa Prison Industries before the start of school.
3. The Cardinal Funds Committee is hosting a Gala event at the Clarinda Country Club on Saturday, August 28th.
4. IWCC will be conducting a cheerleading clinic and football clinic prior to a blue & white scrimmage at our football field on August 17<sup>th</sup>. The Page County Cattlemen will be providing food and IWCC cheerleaders and the mascot will be at the scrimmage.
5. The fiber optic network is now operational. The transition from the copper wire connection went great.
6. We have 2 vehicles being repaired due to deer accidents. The Taurus has only slight damage, but one of our suburbans received a fair amount of damage on the way home from a softball game.
7. New teachers will be here on August 18<sup>th</sup> for orientation and lunch with the board. The board-sponsored all staff luncheon is scheduled for August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Consent Items**

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

- A. Minutes of the June 2, 2010 and June 14, 2010 meetings.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$213,519.41
Activity Fund	\$4,103.08
Capital Projects	\$10,208.79
Management Fund	\$228.21
Nutrition Fund	\$40.26
Trust & Agency	\$902.68
- C. June 30, 2010 Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Board member Fine informed he had audited the bills and found them in order for payment. The motion to approve the consent items was approved on a 4-0 vote.

## **Old Business**

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

## **New Business**

### **Approve Contracts**

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve the contract with Marilyn Wagoner to serve as assistant cross-country coach for the 2010 season. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the contract with Micaela Sunderman to serve as middle school volleyball coach for the 2010 season. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Turner, to approve the contract with Stephonie Huseman to serve as special education one on one paraprofessional. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve the contract with Janelle VanVactor to serve as paraprofessional for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fine, to approve the contract with Jeff Wichman to serve as custodian for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to approve the contract with Jennifer Peters to serve as school nurse for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Approve Food Service Bids**

Board members were presented with an end-of-the-year report from Food Service Director, Joyce Johansen. Mrs. Johansen stated, "We began activity this year geared toward Healthy School Challenge qualification and as a result, significantly reduced our sodium consumption through menu modifications. We generated great participation with our daily salad offering at the elementary. We remain committed to offering the healthiest meals possible and making our lunches enjoyable for our students." During the 2009-2010 school year, the food service provided 186,767 total meals.

### **Approve Bread Bid**

	<u>Interstate Brands</u>	<u>Sara Lee</u>
Sandwich Bread, whole grain	\$.90	\$.98
Sandwich Bread, white	\$.90	\$.95
Hot dog buns (dozen)	\$.90	\$.78
Whole grain burger buns (dozen)	\$.88	\$.95
Dinner rolls	\$.85	\$1.15

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Turner, to approve the bid from Interstate Brands to supply bread products for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Approve Milk Bid**

	<u>A/E</u>	<u>Roberts</u>
White milk, 1%	\$.1720	\$.1630
White milk, skim	\$.1660	\$.1545
Chocolate milk, skim	\$.1780	\$.1694
Juice, 4 oz. Carton	\$.1400	\$.1200

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the bid from Roberts Dairy to provide milk products for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Review Substitute Pay Rates**

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve substitute pay rates for 2010-2011 as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Substitute teacher	\$105.00 / day
Reg bus driver activity trip	\$13.75 / hour

Reg bus driver sit time	\$8.25 / hour
Sub bus driver	\$13.25 / hour
Sub bus driver sit time	\$8.25 / hour
Substitute custodian	\$9.25 / hour
Substitute food service	\$8.25 / hour
Substitute secretary	\$8.25 / hour
Substitute food service	\$8.25 / hour

### **Adopt Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in Instructional Support Program**

The President of the Board called up for consideration the Resolution to consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program which requires that a public hearing be held on this proposal. Director McComb introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Director Fine seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Turner, Fine, McComb, and Watkins. The President declared the Resolution adopted as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has approved a five year finance plan, which anticipates the level of funding that will be possible to continue the current level of services and to fund the ongoing programs of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to consider participating in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Iowa Code Sections 257.18 through 257.21; and

WHEREAS, the authorization for the current Instructional Support Program will expire on June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, this resolution sets forth the proposal of the Board of Directors, including the method that will be used to fund the program; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of a public hearing must be published:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved:

1. The Board of Directors wishes to consider continued participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Iowa Code sections 257.18 through 257.21, for a period of five (5) years, commencing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012.
2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year shall be determined annually, and shall not exceed 6% of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Iowa Code section 257.14 as a budget adjustment for the budget year.
3. Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for the purpose of meeting the standards of accreditation of Iowa school districts; to purchase textbooks, equipment, supplies or instruction materials; to acquire, install, operate and maintain computers and classroom equipment; and to repair or maintain equipment.
4. The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and an instructional support income surtax imposed annually, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31, 2011, and each year thereafter.
5. The Secretary is authorized and directed to give notice of a public hearing to be held in the Board Room, McKinley Administration Building, Clarinda Community School District, Clarinda, Iowa on August 9, 2010, 7:00 o'clock P.M.
6. Following the public hearing the Board intends to take action on the question whether to participate in the Instructional Support Program.

Passed and approved this 12th day of June 2010.

Seth Watkins, President

Attest: Cindy L. VanFosson, District Secretary

### **Discussion on South Page Request to Expand Sharing Options with Essex**

Gregg Cruickshank, South Page Superintendent, notified the districts adjoining the South Page District, of their board's desire to consider expanding sharing options with Essex. State law requires them to obtain permission from Bedford, Clarinda, and Shenandoah since Essex does not adjoin South Page. Following discussion, a motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to approve the request from South Page to allow them to discuss expanding sharing options with the Essex District. Motion carried 4-0.

**Discussion Regarding Land Acquisition**

Discussion was held on the possibility of acquiring a small parcel of land to the east of the Dollar General Store on East Glenn Miller Drive. The property would require minor grading after remove of several trees, but could serve as additional parking for middle school events. Board members directed Superintendent Honnold to work with George Crawford in continuing discussions with Dollar General and possibly formulating a bid on the property.

**Approve 2011 Fiscal Year Legislative Priorities**

Board members spent time discussing the list of proposed legislative priorities provided by the Iowa Association of School Boards. Each district is asked to submit its list of top five legislative priorities in priority order. The IASB delegate assembly will meet in November to establish the IASB legislative priorities, resolutions, and beliefs for the 2011 legislative session. A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the legislative priorities for the 2011 legislative session. The Board of Directors' list of legislative priorities is as follows: 1) Supports setting allowable growth at a rate that encourages continuous school improvement and reflects actual cost increases experienced by school districts and AEAs. Our priority is to increase and maintain the state cost per pupil and the spending authority associated with it to build a strong base for future education resources. 2) Supports a school foundation formula that adequately and timely funds changes in demographics, including declining and increasing enrollment challenges. 3) Supports legislation that provides flexibility for school districts to meet changing needs, become more efficient, protect natural resources and save public funds. 4) Supports full funding of public schools before supporting non-public schools. 5) Supports giving schools districts and AEAs the option to reduce staff to respond to reductions in funding or to comply with an arbitrator's award. Districts and AEAs should not be required to use the teacher contract termination procedures in Iowa Code section 279.13 for such staff reductions. Following discussion, the board voted 4-0 to approve the motion.

**Board Correspondence**

McComb: Congratulations to the softball and baseball teams for successful seasons.

Turner: I too want to congratulate the summer sports teams for their successes. They both had new coaches and improvement was seen in both teams.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

Cindy L. VanFosson  
Board Secretary