

**September 10, 2007
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 10, 2007, 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 E. 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 responded as being present: President McComb, Fulk, Scherf, and Turner.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Scherf, to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4-0. Watkins arrived at 7:04 p.m.

Audience to Visitors

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

Administrative Reports

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. In the board packets is a report from the Department of Revenue providing an estimate of the Local Option Sales Tax payments we will receive for fiscal year 2008.
2. Also in the packets is a report from Judy Jeffrey, Director of the Iowa Department of Education, explaining Senate File 447, signed by the Governor on May 9th. One action of the bill is a mandate to study statewide school district sharing and efficiency. The state AEAs will work with schools in their area to facilitate the process and submit ideas.
3. Following the football season we will be adding another water line down the edge of the field to expand the coverage of our sprinkler system.
4. We are studying various options for alleviating sewer problems in the Garfield building each time there is a significant rain. While action may not be taken before cold weather, we hope to find a solution.
5. Mrs. Boysen and Mr. Ruffing are mentoring the new principals at Villisca as part of a statewide administrator mentoring program.
6. The K-8 fruit and vegetable program, made possible by a federal grant, is up and going. We've heard favorable comments from the students.
7. Building office staff has been busy reviewing our student database, preparing for official student count day on October 1, 2007.
7. School board election will be held tomorrow, September 11th, from 12 noon until 8:00 p.m. at the Lied Library. Scott McComb is running unopposed for a three-year term. Please take time to vote.

Consent Items

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

- A. Minutes of the August 13, 2007 meeting.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$121,235.55
Activity Fund	\$9,213.67
Management Fund	\$134.00
Nutrition	\$30,236.93
Trust & Agency Fund	\$251.72
- C. August 31, 2007, Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Board member Fulk informed he had audited the bills and found them in order for payment. The motion to approve the consent items was unanimously approved by the Board.

Old Business

The board had no old business to discuss at this time.

New Business**Approve Cardinal Funds Committee Appointments**

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Turner, to approve the appointment of Pam Herzberg and Jennifer McCall as newly appointed members of the Cardinal Funds Foundation Committee. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Special Education Contracts

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the special education contracts with West Marshall, Waterloo, Spencer, Southeast Polk, South Tama, Sioux City, Sidney, Red Oak, Perry, Ottumwa, Muscatine, MFL Marmac, Marshalltown, Lewis Central, Keokuk, Jefferson-Scranton, Iowa City, Indianola, Harlan, Hamburg, Fort Dodge, Dubuque, Des Moines Independent, Denison, Davenport, Council Bluffs, Chariton, Cedar Rapids, Burlington, Boone, Bedord, Ballard, Atlantic, Anita, Ames, Alta, and Albert City-Truesdale Community School Districts for special education students being served at the Clarinda Academy. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Scherf, to approve the contracts with New Market, South Page, Bedford, Villisca, and Winterset Community Schools for special education students being served in Clarinda. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fulk, to approve the contract with Ray and Kathy Shannon to provide transportation services for a Clarinda resident special education student being served at Iowa School for the Deaf. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Scherf, seconded Watkins, to approve the contract with Jarred Johnson to provide transportation services for a Clarinda resident special education student being served at the Iowa School for the Deaf. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Coaching Contracts

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Scherf, to approve the transfer of Mike Smith to assistant boys' basketball coach. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Watkins, to approve the contract with Andy Johnson to serve as 9th grade boys' basketball coach. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Turner, to approve the contract with Linda Vanden Bosch to serve as assistant middle school girls' basketball coach. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Home School Assistance Contracts

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the contract with Lexy Davies to serve as the Home School Assistance Teacher for the 2007-2008 school year. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Teacher Quality Contract Addendum

A motion was made by Scherf, seconded by Watkins, to approve the teacher quality contract addendum for 2007-2008. During the 2007 session, Iowa legislators increased the allotment set aside to increase teacher salaries statewide. This school year Iowa teachers will share \$174.3 million, with the minimum salary for first year teachers set at \$26,500. Clarinda teachers will share \$261,475.15. In accordance with the agreement reached between the teacher's association and the Board of Education, the average amount each teacher will receive in addition to previously negotiated pay for 2007-2008 is \$3,097. The legislators also set aside \$20 million to be used for local district and AEA professional development purposes. A Teacher Quality Committee created in each district will determine the use and distribution of the professional development funds. The professional development allotment for the Clarinda District is \$31,851.76. The Committee has recommended adding one full day and an equivalent of .66 day, or 5 hours, to teacher contracts at each teacher's per diem rate for professional development activities. The average amount to be paid to Clarinda teachers for the additional

time is \$392.53. Following discussion of the increase in the teacher quality allotment and the responsibilities of the Teacher Quality Committee, the motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Approve Vehicle Bids

The district owns three pickups for use by the maintenance department. Two of the pickups, a 1978 Ford with a lift gate, and a 1991 Ford are in need of replacement. Craig Hill, head of the maintenance department, was at the meeting and discussed options available for replacing and upgrading the vehicles with something more useful and reliable. Following discussion, a motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the purchase of a 2006 Chevrolet work truck and a 2007 Dodge work truck from Shore Motor Company at a total cost of \$34,480. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to approve the trade-in value on the two old pickups of \$800. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Annual Meeting

Approve Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Scherf, to approve the treasurer's report as of June 30, 2007. Board Secretary/Treasurer Cindy VanFosson presented the report, which documents all cash and investments held by the district as of June 30, 2007. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Appoint Board Attorneys

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Scherf, to approve the appointment of Jim Millhone of Millhone and Anderson and Drew Bracken of Ahlers and Cooney Law Firm as our school attorneys for the 2007-2008 school year. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote of the board.

Approve Bank Depositories

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to adopt the resolution naming Page County State Bank, Bank Iowa, Page County Federal Savings Association, Tier One, Raymond James Financial and Wells Fargo (ISJIT) as our bank depositories for the 2008 fiscal year. The following maximum balances were set:

Page County State Bank	\$2,000,000	Bank Iowa	\$1,000,000
Wells Fargo (ISJIT)	\$10,000,000	Tier One	\$1,000,000
Page County Federal Savings Association	\$1,000,000	Raymond James Financial Services	\$1,000,000

The board voted 5-0 to approve the motion.

Appoint Local Education Agency Asbestos Officer

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Watkins, to approve the appointment of Tucker Morrison as our Local Asbestos Officer for 2007-2008. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote of the board.

Designate Official Newspaper

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fulk, to designate the Clarinda Herald-Journal as our official newspaper for 2007-2008. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote of the board.

Correspondence from Board Members

Fulk: The Cardinal Funds Committee will meet Thursday, September 13th.

Scherf: The football facilities looked good at our first home football game of the season Friday night. The updated visitor seating, visitor concession stand, and football field itself looked very good. Thank you to the maintenance staff for a job well done.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Watkins, seconded by Fulk, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Cindy L. VanFosson
Board Secretary