

**November 10, 2014  
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	\$173,409.21
• Activity Fund	\$15,650.75
• Management Fund	\$143.61
• Nutrition Fund	\$35,896.52
• Capital Projects	\$34,159.79
  - C. Analysis of Reports

• Financial Statements
• Activity Accounts
• Hot Lunch
• Open Enrollment Application(s)
7. Old Business
8. New Business
  - A. Presentation on Gifted and Talented Program
  - B. Discussion on Summer 2015 Maintenance Projects
  - C. Report on 2014 Weighted Enrollment
  - D. Approve Special Education Contracts
9. Correspondence from Board Members
10. Adjournment

Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 2014, 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, Fine, McComb, and Turner. Vice President Watkins 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 Sunderman welcomed all visitors to the meeting. No visitors chose to address the board at this time.

## **Administrative Reports**

Mr. McNeal, Middle School Principal, reported:

1. Middle School winter athletic practices have begun.
2. Twenty-eight CMS students were selected to participate in the District Honor Band Festival on November 14<sup>th</sup> at Lewis Central Middle School. Their day will conclude with a concert in the Lewis Central Middle School Auditorium. Six CMS students were selected to participate in the All-Iowa 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band in May.
3. The Middle School had 92% parent attendance during conferences last week. We are reaching out the parents who did not attend, hoping to schedule conferences at their convenience.
4. We held a first trimester awards assembly today and will host a community Veterans Day program tomorrow at 11:00 am. Please attend if you are able.

Miss Nook, High School Principal, reported:

1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester started today.
2. The Fall Production, Bob, A Life in Five Acts, was performed this past weekend in the high school auditorium and will be presented this coming weekend during the Thespian Festival in Cedar Falls.
3. The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the auditorium.

Superintendent Honnold reported:

1. The School Improvement Advisory Committee met on October 28<sup>th</sup>. One of their tasks was reviewing the District's Mission Statement. They made one small change to the list of Beliefs.
2. A report of the bus inspection held on September 15<sup>th</sup> is in your packet. All issues have been addressed and all buses are cleared for use.
3. The IASB Convention is November 20<sup>th</sup> in Des Moines. Scott McComb has agreed to attend the Delegate Assembly on November 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 October 13, 2014, and October 27, 2014, meetings.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$173,409.21
Activity Fund	\$15,650.75
Management Fund	\$143.61
Nutrition Fund	\$35,896.52
Capital Projects	\$34,159.79
- C. October 31, 2014, Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Turner stated she had audited the bills, found them in order, and recommended payment. The motion to approve the consent items was approved on a 4-0 vote.

## **Old Business**

The board had no old business to consider.

## **New Business**

### **Presentation on Gifted and Talented Program**

Mr. McNeal, administrator in charge of the Gifted and Talented Program, along with teachers Joelene Carper and Emily Thompson, were at the meeting to update the Board on the number of students participating, areas of advanced, accelerated and differentiated instruction, and extra-curricular enrichment activities.

### **Discussion on Summer 2015 Maintenance Projects**

Craig Hill, maintenance supervisor, reviewed a list of possible maintenance projects to consider during 2015. Board members discussed setting priorities and beginning the process for obtaining bids and scheduling contractors for

projects they'd like to see completed within the next year. Items at the top of the list are finding a solution to keep rain from entering the north gym doors at the high school to prevent further issues with the gym floor, resurfacing the north playground at Garfield, reworking the dock, sewer, and back drive at the high school, new air conditioning unit for the high school kitchen, reworking the drainage system on the east side of Garfield, and repairing the retaining wall at the middle school dock. Other items to be considered are beginning a replacement cycle for the heat pumps in the K-8 building and looking at options for the drainage on the north side of the McKinley Building. Mr. Hill will begin research on the projects identified and come back to the board in the near future to discuss more concrete costs involved.

#### **Report on 2014 Weighted Enrollment**

Special Education count is an annual reporting of students receiving special education services either in our district or from another school district, state agency, or private agency. It is a weighted enrollment determined by the level of services a student receives. The total number of special needs students in the district as of November 1<sup>st</sup> is equivalent to 9.1% of our Clarinda resident enrollment. The special education count generates funding to be used and reported only in the special education program. Superintendent Honnold presented a report showing the special education count and funds generated each year since 1994, illustrating how the count has stayed near 10% of total student enrollment. The November 1, 2014 count generates special education funding for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by Turner, to approve the contracts with Tripoli and Cedar Rapids Community School Districts for resident special education students being served at the Clarinda Academy. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **Board Correspondence**

Sunderman: Congratulations to the football team on good season. They lost to a very good team.

#### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Cindy L. VanFosson  
Board Secretary