

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District Board of School Directors met in regular session on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, with Mr. Richard Gergely, Vice-President, presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Cathy Barnes, Mr. Craig Burket, Mr. Jonathan Burkett, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mr. Richard Gergely, Mr. Roger Knisely, Mrs. Shelda Repko, and Mrs. Heidi Kennedy. Also present were Mr. Brian Hess (Morrison's Cove Herald), Mr. Richard Allison, Ms. Elizabeth Coyle (Bedford Gazette), Geri Mock, Ms. Amy Gill, Mr. Matthew Gill, Mr. Matt Mock, Ms. Michele Crist, Ms. Rose Mauro, Mr. Jeremy Knott, Mr. Brian Helsel, Mr. Darren McLaurin, Ms. Elizabeth Benjamin (Beard Legal Group), and Mrs. Michelle Smithmyer.

Ms. Crist addressed the Board; she is a member of the local Parent Group. She requested a meeting with the new Superintendent and the new Board President in January.

Motion by Knisely, seconded by Eckley, to appoint Mr. Gergely as Temporary Chairperson. Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Repko to close nominations and appoint Mr. Gergely as Temporary Chairperson. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. Gergely administered the Oath of Office for Mr. Craig Burket, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mrs. Cathy Barnes, Mrs. Heidi Kennedy, and Mrs. Geri Mock.

Mr. Gergely called for nominations for President. Motion by Burkett, seconded by Barnes, to nominate Mr. Burket for President. Motion by Knisely, seconded by Eckley, to nominate Gergely for President. Motion by Burkett, seconded by Repko, to close nominations for President.

Voice vote for President. Eckley, Gergely, Knisely, Repko, Kennedy, Mock voted for Gergely. Barnes, Burket, Burkett voted for Burket. Vote was 6 for Gergely; 3 for Burket. Board congratulated Mr. Gergely.

Mr. Gergely called for nominations for Vice-President. Motion by Eckley, seconded by Knisely, to nominate Ms. Repko for Vice-President. Motion by Burkett, seconded by Barnes, to nominate Mr. Burket for Vice-President. Motion by Burkett, seconded by Burket, to close nominations for Vice-President.

Voice vote for Vice-President. Eckley, Gergely, Knisely, Repko, Kennedy, Mock for Repko. Barnes, Burket, Burkett for Burket. Vote was 6 for Repko; 3 for Burket. Board congratulated Ms. Repko.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Knisely, to go into Executive Session at 7:25 pm, for the purpose of discussing personnel items.

Board returned to regular session at 8:02 pm.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Burkett, to approve the minutes for the November 8, 2017 meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Burket, to approve all December bills, with lists to be presented at the January meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Repko, to approve a proposed amendment to the contract for employment entered between Superintendent-Elect Darren McLaurin and the Claysburg-Kimmel School District, to provide for a start date of December 11, 2017, and further authorizing the Board President and Interim Superintendent to take all actions necessary to effectuate same; and to confirm a rate of \$75.00 per day as the rate for payment of unused sick leave days to be issued pursuant to the terms of Paragraph 6(b) of the contract for employment entered between Darren McLaurin and the Claysburg-Kimmel School District. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Kennedy, to approve a proposed amendment to the contract for services of Interim Superintendent Dr. Norman Hatten and the Claysburg-Kimmel School District, to provide for a specified end date of December 22, 2017, and further authorizing the Board President and Interim Superintendent to take all actions necessary to effectuate same. This amendment is being proposed for purposes of allowing an opportunity to assist with the transition of Superintendent-Elect Darren McLaurin as needed. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Burkett, to approve the Schedule of Board Meeting Dates for 2018. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Barnes, to accept the resignation of Dan Foor from the following positions: Day to Day Substitute, Varsity Football Coach, Asst. Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach, and Jr. High Baseball Coach. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Barnes, to approve the Additions to the List of Volunteers. Motion passed by majority vote, with Mrs. Kennedy abstaining on the vote for herself.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Kennedy, to advertise the positions created by Dan Foor's resignation. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Under Old Business, Ms. Repko asked that the minutes reflect that the Board has not received a listing of library books that were disposed of over the summer.

Mr. Gergely thanked Mr. Knott for his leadership and guidance as Board President and wished Mr. Knott the best of luck.

Mr. Knott congratulated the reelected and newly elected board members and wished the Board and the District good luck; he also offered assistance to the newly formed Board.

Under New Business, Mr. Burkett announced that he was elected as a Township Supervisor for Kimmel Township. His new position begins on January 2nd; therefore, he resigned his position as School Board member effective January 1, 2018.

Mr. Gergely thanked Mr. Burkett for his service to the District and wished him the best of luck in his new position.

Mr. Knott also thanked Mr. Burkett for his time on the Board.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Eckley, to accept Mr. Burkett's resignation from his position as Board Member, effective January 1, 2018. Motion passed by majority vote, with Mr. Burkett abstaining.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Burket, to advertise to fill the vacant Board Member spot, with a deadline of December 31, 2017. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Eckley, seconded by Burket, to adjourn from regular session at 8:23 pm.

The Board announced they would hold an Executive Session, for the purpose of discussing Personnel items. No official action would be taken.


Board Secretary