

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District Board of School Directors met in regular session on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, with Mr. Rich Gergely, President, presiding. The meeting was called to order at 8:20 PM. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Cathy Barnes, Mr. Craig Burket, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mrs. Geri Mock, Mr. Roger Knisely, Mrs. Shelda Repko, Mrs. Mandi Daugherty, and Mr. Rich Gergely. Also present were Mr. Richard Allison, Ms. Katie Smolen (Bedford Gazette), Ms. Shen Wu Tan (Altoona Mirror), Ms. Courtney McCracken (Nutrition, Inc.), Mr. Nicholas Krampen, Mr. Tom Ringler, Ms. Christine Leslie, Mr. Ted Colledge, Mr. Brian Helsel, Mr. Matt Hall, Mr. Steve Puskar, Mr. Carl D. Beard (Beard Legal Group), Mr. Darren McLaurin, and Mrs. Michelle Smithmyer.

Mr. Gergely thanked the guests in attendance.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Barnes, to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2018, meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Knisely, to approve the additional bills for January and regular bills for February. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Mock, to approve the Treasurer's Report for November – January. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. McLaurin recommended that the Board consider approving the agenda in whole, as it was reviewed thoroughly in the Work Session.

Motion by Repko, seconded by Eckley, to approve the entire agenda, items J-1 through J-4. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. Burket discussed a PSBA's proposed Resolution Opposing ESA Voucher Programs. Motion by Repko, seconded by Burket to adopt the Resolution Opposing the ESA Voucher Program. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mrs. Repko noted that Dr. Miller will retire as Director of the GACTC at the end of the school year.

Mr. Puskar gave his Secondary Principal's report (attached).

Mr. Hall gave his Elementary Principal's report (attached).

Mr. Hall gave his Title I Coordinator report (attached).

Mr. McLaurin reported that Administrators will have their first Tri-State Study Council meeting on February 15th. He presented a one page handout regarding Chain of Command and Parent-Coach Relationships. This will be included in the Coach's Handbook and communicated to parents and student athletes. Mr. McLaurin noted that he plans to continue to improve/increase communication across the District.

Under Old Business, Mr. Burket asked if there had been follow up regarding the auditorium seating and sound system. Administration reported their findings.

Mr. McLaurin reported on the progress of updates to the softball dugouts. The Boosters are moving forward with approvals from the Township and have secured funding. Mr. Claar's classes will assist with building new benches. Dr. Eckley asked the Administration to forward a letter of thanks from the Board to the Boosters.

Mr. Gergely noted that the Board met in Executive Session, earlier in the evening, for the purpose of discussing personnel items.

Motion by Repko, seconded by Burket, to adjourn from regular session at 9:10 PM.

Motion by Repko, seconded by Burket, to go into Executive Session at 9:17 PM, for the purpose of discussing personnel items.

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 9:18 PM.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary

Elementary Report
Board Meeting
February 14, 2018

- Fire Drill (January 11)
- Teacher In-service (January 15)
 - Updating Curriculum
- End of Marking Period 2 (January 19)
- Elementary Physicals – Grades K & 6 (January 25)
- Report Cards Issued (January 29)
- “Jump Rope for Heart” Kickoff Campaign (February 1)
- Carnegie Science Center – “Wild by Design” Assemblies and Activity Stations (February 5)
 - Thanks to the Claysburg-Kimmel Education Foundation
- 100th Day of School (February 7)
- Pre-school Transition Day (February 9)
- Fire Drill (February 14)
- Snow Make-up Day (February 16)
- No School (February 19)
- After School STEM Program
 - Currently have 45 students signed up
 - Creating a butterfly garden between the grade 2 and grade 3 wings
- Google Logo
 - Grades 5 & 6 will be using coding to create their very own Google Doodle
 - Google Doodles are special logos that appear on the Google homepage

Title 1 Report
Board Meeting
February 14, 2018

- Continued Placement with a smaller classroom of below-level reading and math students.
- Continued enrichment instruction to on-level and above-level students on a daily basis.
- Continued assistance with middle-level math groups.
- Continued assistance with regular education classroom containing struggling students.
- Participation in Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP)
- Morning/Afternoon tutoring of below-level reading and math students
- Title 1 Theater Night
 - Title 1/Gifted Teacher will be conducting a Theater Night in conjunction with Family Night (Nov. 30)
 - Gifted students will be in charge creating/directing the play
 - Regular education students will be acting out the play
- Professional Development on Pathblazer, Edgenuity's computer-based tutoring program (Jan. 15 In-service)
- Matt Hall attended Title 1 Training at Altoona IU08 (Feb. 13)

Claysburg-Kimmel High School
Monthly Board Report
February 15, 2018

- January Fire Drill occurred on January 12.
- On January 23, the Junior High Scholastic Scrimmage team competed in their first meet of the season. The team won 3 of the 5 matches yesterday. We beat Bedford (115-70), BG (110-105), and Tyrone (100-80); and lost against Chestnut Ridge (40-70) and Bellwood (60-150). On February 5, the team went undefeated, beating Northern Bedford (110-100), Everett (140-135) and Hyndman (130-70) The final competition will be February 28th.
- The February Principal Advisory Committee meeting was held on Monday, February 12.
- CKHS has 299 students enrolled, grades 9-12, in the Raise.me program. This program gathers student (self-supplied) information on grades, activities, etc., and matches it with a variety of colleges and universities to gather grant money for tuition. Website: <https://raise.me>
 - Money earned to date this year:
 - Senior Earnings: \$4,058,784.00
 - Junior Earnings: \$8,168,006.00
 - Sophomore Earnings: \$5,247,994.00
 - Freshman Earnings: \$555,220.00
 - TOTAL TO DATE: \$18,030,004.00
- CKHS is pleased to host the February meeting of the IU8 STEM Connection group. The meeting will be held in the Makerspace. Coordinator Shelly Beers and I are members of this group, and Ms. Beers has presented at past meetings. February's meeting, scheduled for the 21st, is opened to teachers and administrators from across the Intermediate Unit.
- Due to the weather cancellations, the mid-point of the third nine week period has been moved to Friday, February 23 and grades progress report grades will be posted to gradebook at the end of the day on Monday, February 26.
- March 2 is a district-wide in-service day. The focus of the activities will be on Special Education procedures and practices



Respectfully Submitted: Stephen P. Puskar

STUDENT SERVICES REPORT
OFFICE OF THE SOCIAL WORKER

Approximately 660 Contacts with Kids, Parents, Families, and Agencies to date (This represents an increase (approximate) of 120 contacts since the January report.)

*Actively working with 45-50 students across all grade levels in the district. More kids working with that just do case management with and crisis management.

Accomplishments and ongoing efforts include:

- Home visits (when needed, offered and most of the time families want to come into the school and meet)
- Counseling of students
- Observing students in classes/lunches
- Teacher consultation
- Connecting families to outside services
- Handling crisis situations
- Meeting with parents
- Individualized meetings with students with concerning attendance patterns
- **Initiated Truancy Elimination meetings (new attendance law requirement) with parents and students at both elementary and high school.**
 - **Two rounds of these meetings have occurred at the elementary and two rounds are scheduled at the high school.**
- Meeting with students to address low grades
- Developed elementary groups to address self-control
- Developed a study skills group with students in grades 7-9 in the HS. Conducting group with school counselor
- Initiated a friendship lunch to help students feel connected at both ES and HS
- Connected a homeless youth and parent to housing options
- Attend outside schooling placement meetings as needed
- **Registered for, and attended training in the therapy model of trauma based cognitive behavior therapy**
- Continue to participate in IEP meetings as needed
- Connected agencies to students in the school. Had numerous agency meetings in the school.
- Sit on all Student Assistance teams
- Continue to sit on the truancy task force that meets monthly, this is a county-wide task force
- **Coordinated the Handle with Care initiative at the school where police would contact the school if a student had a crisis the night before so we know how to support the student and family.**
- Helped coordinate a student attending an outside placement and continue to communicate with the mom periodically to get updates
- Continue to help with Aviedum meetings. Going to have the first ever "I got your back" day at Claysburg to support kids supporting other kids going through tough situations.
- **Coordinated bringing the regional homeless coordinator into the school to train the staff on identification of families at the January in-service.**
- Continue to address needs in the school and bring them to the attention of staff
- Researching different trainings to help with addressing student needs at the school
- Developed a training about trauma informed care for teachers...hope to initiate this presentation this year for the staff
- Met with the secretaries to better understand enrollment forms and if there were any changes needed to help stream line them district wide and to include the homeless residency identification form.