

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District Board of School Directors met in regular (virtual) session, via Zoom, on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, with Mr. Richard Gergely, President, presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held via a Zoom session. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Amy Claar-Gill, Mrs. Mandi Daugherty, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mrs. Geri Mock, Mr. Roger Knisely, Mrs. Heidi Kennedy, Mr. Craig Burket, and Mr. Richard Gergely. Also present were Ms. Krystal Edwards (Beard Legal), Ms. Lesa Imler, Ms. Stacey Claycomb, Mr. Jerome Dodson, Mr. Brian Helsel, Mr. Matt Hall, Mr. Darren McLaurin, and Mrs. Michelle Smithmyer.

Mr. Gergely acknowledged that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel items immediately prior to the Official Meeting.

The Finance Committee met at 6:00 pm, to discuss the 2021-2022 General Fund Budget.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Burket, to approve the minutes for the April 14, 2021 meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Eckley, to authorize administration to pay all bills and to provide a list of payments at the next board meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. McLaurin and Mr. Hall gave End of Year reports.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the list of graduates for the Class of 2021. This list is pending completion of all graduation requirements. Graduation is scheduled for Saturday, June 5th. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Mock, to approve Agenda Items I.2.a. and c. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote. These agenda items are:

- Recommendation to approve the Act 93 Agreement for Maintenance Staff;
- Recommendation to approve the continuation of the temporary elementary guidance counselor position currently held by Lacey Yukelson, at an annual salary of \$44,500 (2021-2022), with the total cost of said position funded by the District's ESSERS grant, for the 2021-2022 school year only, with said position remaining classified as a temporary position dependent upon the availability of grant funding to cover its costs, and with the understanding that said position may be subject to alteration/curtailment in any subsequent years in the event grant funds to support the position are no longer available to the School District.

Agenda item I.2.a. was tabled until the June board meeting.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Burket, to approve Agenda Items I.3.a-d. Motion unanimously passed by majority vote, with Mr. Burket abstaining on the vote for Denitia Weyant as a PTO Volunteer, as he is related to Denitia. These agenda items are:

- Recommendation to accept the resignation of Maria Knisely from her position as Assistant Band Director and to seek to fill the vacant position;

- Recommendation to approve the list of Volunteers, pending receipt of all appropriate clearances;
- Recommendation to authorize the FBLA State Leadership team and Advisors (Mr. Walter, Ms. Woodring, and student representative, Bailey Garver) to travel to the FBLA State Conference at the Kalahari Resort in the Poconos July 23-25, 2021;
- Recommendation to recognize the Band Boosters and the Boys' Basketball Boosters, as they have submitted all required documentation to the Business Office.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Eckley, to approve the second reading of the following policies, as recommended by PSBA, and as reviewed by Beard Legal: Policy # 137.1 – Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students; Policy # 150 – Title I – Comparability of Services; Policy # 810.1 – School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers; and Policy 3 810.3 – School Vehicle Drivers. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Gergely, to approve Agenda Items I.5.a-d. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote. These agenda items are:

- Recommendation to approve the donation of the Little Bulldog Shed to the Elementary Bulldog program, with the understanding that the Elementary Bulldog program is responsible for the removal of the shed from District property prior to May 17, 2021;
- Recommendation to approve the appointment of the accounting firm of Ritchey, Ritchey, and Koontz to audit the financial statements of the District for the 2021-2022 school year;
- Recommendation to grant permission to the accounting firm of Ritchey, Ritchey, and Koontz to make all budgetary transfers necessary to close the 2020-2021 fiscal year;
- Recommendation to approve the appointment of the law firm of Beard Legal Group as solicitor for the district for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Motion by Knisely, seconded by Eckley, to approve Agenda Items I.5.d-j. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote. These agenda items are:

- Recommendation to approve the appointment of Roger Knisely as the District Treasurer for the 2021-2022 fiscal year;
- Recommendation to approve the reappointment of Michelle Smithmyer to the position of School Board Secretary (4 year term, May, 2025);
- Recommendation to approve the list of Banks of Deposit for the 2021-2022 fiscal year;
- Recommendation to approve the appointment of the Blair County Tax Collection Bureau to collect the Earned Income Tax and the Local Services Tax for the 2021-2022 fiscal year;
- Recommendation to continue the contract with Crossroads for Athletic Training services for the 2021-2022 fiscal year;
- Recommendation to add the following to the list of approved bus drivers: Orville Blackburn, Beverly Benson, Roger Walter, and Nathan Claycomb.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Daugherty, to approve the GACTC budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knisely, seconded by Burket, to approve the Preliminary General Fund Budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Motion passed by majority vote, with Dr. Eckley voting against the motion. Mr. Gergely thanked the administrative team for their work on the budget. Mrs. Smithmyer reported that this preliminary budget will be available to the public for the next 30 days before presentation to the Board for final approval.

Mr. McLaurin and Mr. Dodson noted that, once again, graduating seniors will be provided the opportunity to purchase their school issued iPad for \$150.

Mr. Dodson will put together a list of obsolete laptops and carts for the June board meeting.

Mr. Gergely gave a GACTC report.

Mr. McLaurin and Mr. Helsel gave an update on the Athletic Project.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Kennedy, to adjourn at 7:54 pm.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary