

Claysburg-Kimmel School Board
Minutes of August 7, 2019
Work Session

The Board met in work session at 7:15 pm on Wednesday, August 7, with the following present: Mona Eckley, Roger Knisely, Heidi Kennedy, Geri Mock, Craig Burket, Shelda Repko, Rich Gergely, Elizabeth Coyle, Jennifer Dambeck, Steve Puskar, Matt Hall, Brian Helsel, Darren McLaurin, and Michelle Smithmyer.

Mr. Gergely noted that the Board met in Executive Session, prior to the Work Session, to discuss personnel items.

The following coaching recommendations will be included on the August 14th agenda: Tony Cavender (Asst. Volleyball Coach) and Emily Weyandt (Asst. Jr. High Volleyball Coach).

Recommendations for additions to the list of approved volunteers will be included on the August 14th agenda.

A recommendation to approve Brittany Svitana as Student Council Advisor will be presented next week.

The new Audio/Video Production Club will be included on the August 14th agenda to be approved as a new Student Activity group.

Mr. Helsel discussed new PIAA rules regarding the 40 second clock for varsity and junior varsity football games; these will require an additional game help position. Mr. Helsel also discussed Junior High Volleyball; approximately 36 participants have expressed interest in Junior High Volleyball. The Board discussed the logistics of adding "B" games to be held in the auxiliary gymnasium.

A revised 19-20 salary schedule will be presented at the August 14th meeting to include staff additions made over the summer.

Mr. Repko submitted his retirement as Maintenance Supervisor.

The 19-20 AmeriCorps staff members will be presented for approval next week.

Mr. McLaurin discussed the continuing agreement with the Hollidaysburg Area School District for student transportation.

The list of Bus Drivers for 19-20 will be presented for approval next week.

Mr. Puskar reviewed revisions to the Secondary Student Handbooks.

Mr. Puskar reviewed revisions to some Secondary Classes.

Mr. McLaurin reviewed the Dual Enrollment/Education Foundation collaboration; the Education Foundation has offered to pay the tuition for Dual Enrollment courses for our students.

Mr. McLaurin discussed Flexible Instruction Days (FIDs). He is working on the application process. This will allow us to use Flexible Instruction Days in place of Snow Days for weather related cancellations.

Mr. McLaurin presented a short video on the National Incident Management System (NIMS); administrators completed the Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100 course this summer.

Mr. Hall reviewed the Curriculum Binders that each teacher will receive.

Mr. McLaurin discussed a potential for a second preschool program. Administration is working with the Learning Lamp and the Education Foundation to see if there is enough interest.

Mr. McLaurin discussed the following proposed policies: #227.1 – Random Drug Testing and #226 – Searches. These will be presented for a first reading next week.

The Board adjourned from the Work Session at 8:38 pm.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary