

Claysburg-Kimmel School Board
Minutes of January 2, 2019
Work Session

The Board met in work session at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, with the following present: Mona Eckley, Roger Knisely, Mandi Daugherty, Heidi Kennedy, Geri Mock, Craig Burket, Shelda Repko, Dale Troutman, Cheri Black, Brian Helsel, Steve Puskar, Matt Hall, Elizabeth Benjamin (Beard Legal Group), Darren McLaurin, and Michelle Smithmyer.

Mrs. Repko noted that Mr. Gergely was absent due to a work commitment.

Mr. McLaurin reviewed January Initiatives.

Mr. McLaurin noted that the Board will accept applications for the vacant Board position until the end of the day on Friday, January 4th.

Mrs. Smithmyer reported that Ritchey, Ritchey and Koontz have completed their annual audit and submitted the financial audit report for the fiscal year ended June 3, 2018. She reviewed the audit report and asked Board Members to contact her with any questions or comments. The audit report is available on the District website and in the Central Office for public review.

Mrs. Smithmyer noted that the Act 1 Real Estate Tax Index for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for CKSD is 3.4%. Administration will ask the Board to approve a resolution indicating the District does not plan to increase real estate taxes above the Act 1 index for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. This does not commit the District to an increase in Real Estate taxes.

Mrs. Smithmyer discussed a proposed budget revision to acknowledge the donation from the Education Foundation and the related expenses.

A recommendation to approve the District Dentist and Physician will be included on the official agenda.

A recommendation to approve Joan Rhodes as the Elementary AmeriCorps Staffer will be included on the official agenda.

The Policy Committee met in December to review a number of policy updated as recommended by PSBA and reviewed by Beard Legal. Those updates will be presented at the official meeting.

Mr. McLaurin discussed snow days and make up days. We had 2 snow days in November. The scheduled make up days for those days are February 15th and April 18th. Administration recommends that both of those days be early dismissal days for our students and that the afternoon of February 15th be used as a professional development afternoon for our teachers.

Mr. Puskar reviewed proposed changes to the CKHS Scheduling Packet, to be presented for approval at the official meeting.

A recommendation to approve the following volunteers will be included on the official agenda: Amy Gill (Girls' Basketball) and Anthony Paris (Wrestling).

Russ Knisely submitted his resignation from his position as Assistant Varsity Softball Coach.

Mr. Puskar presented a proposal to add Ski Club as an officially recognized student activity and to add the position of Ski Club Advisor to the list of supplemental positions.

The Board reviewed and discussed a proposal from the Athletic Fields study.

The Board adjourned from Work Session at 8:16pm.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary