

Claysburg-Kimmel School Board
Minutes of November 6, 2019
Work Session

The Board met in work session at 7:09 pm on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, with the following present: Roger Knisely, Heidi Kennedy, Mona Eckley, Geri Mock, Jeremy Knott, Shelda Repko, Craig Burket, Elizabeth Coyle, Elizabeth Benjamin, Steve Puskar, Matt Hall, Brian Helsel, Darren McLaurin, and Michelle Smithmyer.

Mrs. Repko noted that the Board met, in Executive Session, for the purpose of discussing personnel items, prior to the Work Session.

Mr. McLaurin shared a presentation on Trauma Informed Education. He also discussed a schedule for our upcoming Comprehensive Plan and reported on Grant applications.

Mr. Hall discussed the new on-line Parent Conference registration process and provided an update on Federal Programs.

Mr. Hall and Mr. Puskar discussed the recent Evacuation Drills.

The Veteran's Day Program will be held at the High School on Friday, November 8th, beginning at 9:00 am. It will be live streamed to the Elementary School.

Mr. McLaurin noted that a request to authorize the administration to apply for all pertinent Federal and State grants will be included on the official agenda.

Budgets for the following Program Grants will be presented for approval: Title I – Improving Basic Programs; Title IIA – Improving Teacher Quality; Title IV – Student Support and Academic Enrichment; Safe Schools Initiative Targeted Grant; and PA SMART Targeted STEM Grant.

A list of surplus equipment will be presented for approval at the November meeting.

Mr. Helsel discussed the Big Brothers Big Sisters S.M.A.R.T. program. A Memorandum of Understanding with Big Brothers Big Sisters will be presented for approval.

Mr. McLaurin discussed a Memorandum of Understanding between CKSD and the Claysburg-Kimmel Education Association for Flexible Instruction Days (FIDs). Our application for Flexible Instruction Days was approved by PDE.

Mrs. Smithmyer discussed recommendations for Custodian positions and the resulting transfers, as well as a support staff resignation and support staff substitutes.

We received resignations from the Prom Advisor and from the Jr. High Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach.

The list of Winter Coaches and Volunteers will be presented at the next meeting.

The Boys' Basketball Boosters have submitted the required paperwork; a recommendation to approve the Resolution to recognize them for the 2019-2020 school year will be included on the agenda.

Mr. McLaurin discussed adding Video Production Game Help to the approved Game Help schedule.

The second reading of policy revisions will be presented for approval next week.

Mr. Helsel discussed changes to Policy # 113.2 – Behavior Support. Mr. McLaurin discussed adding a Policy for the Use of Livestream Video on School District Policy.

Beard Legal will review both of these policies.

Mrs. Smithmyer reported that the Bulldog Backpack Program requested permission to place a donated shed at the elementary school for storage. An update to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Program will be presented for approval.

Mrs. Smithmyer reminded the Board that the December reorganization meeting will be held on December 4th. She also reviewed the proposed Board Meeting Dates for 2020.

Mr. McLaurin reviewed the revised Athletic Field Improvement Schedule.

The Board adjourned from the Work Session at 8:22 p.m.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary