

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District Board of School Directors met in regular on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, with Mr. Craig Burket, Vice-President, presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm. The following members responded to roll call: Mr. Jeremy Knott, Mrs. Amy Claar-Gill, Mrs. Mandi Daugherty, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mrs. Geri Mock, Mr. Roger Knisely, Mrs. Heidi Kennedy, and Mr. Craig Burket. Also present were Ms. Rachel Foor (Altoona Mirror), Ms. Denise Shoffner, Ms. Erica Burkholder, Mr. Adam Long (Keller Engineers), Mr. Mark Loucks and family, Ms. Krystal Edwards (Beard Legal Group), Mr. Jerome Dodson, Mr. Matt Hall, Mr. Chuck Kassick, Mr. Brian Helsel, Mr. Darren McLaurin, and Mrs. Michelle Smithmyer.

Mr. Burket reported that the Board met, in Executive Session, to discuss personnel items immediately prior to this meeting. Mr. McLaurin also reported that the Board met on Tuesday, February 1, and Wednesday, February 2, to conduct interviews.

Mr. Long presented a tentative timeline schedule for the Athletic Field Improvements.

Ms. Denise Shoffner addressed the Board regarding student quarantine requirements.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Daugherty, to approve the proposal from Mountain Research to conduct additional soil testing (Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure – SPLP) at the athletic field to address DEP’s comments regarding permit approval. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Eckley, to approve the minutes for the January 12, meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

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

Motion by Knott, seconded by Gill, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for January. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Gill, to approve the Proposed Agreement between the Claysburg-Kimmel School District and the Claysburg-Kimmel Education Support Professionals Association/PSEA/NEA, pending solicitor review. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the following program budgets: ESSER III, IDEA-ARP, ESSER II. Motion unanimously passed by roll vote.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Gill, to approve the amendment to the Agreement with Standing Stone, Consulting, Inc. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Mock, to approve the Tuition Reimbursement Guidelines for Nursing Staff. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Mock, to authorize the Administration to transfer the remaining funds for the George S. Dively endowment and the Jennie Dively Gardner endowment and the authority to administer said funds to the Claysburg Education Foundation, contingent upon

verification of any/all appropriate authorizations by the relevant parties and final approval of the Solicitor of the transfer and any/all related agreements to effectuate same to which the District is a party.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Mock, to approve Agenda Items J.2.a-b. Motion passed by majority vote, with Mrs. Daugherty abstaining on the vote for herself as a volunteer.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Kennedy. To approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Eckley, to approve the Proposed Changes for the CKHS Scheduling Packet. Mr. Kassick reviewed the changes with the Board. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Knisely, to approve the Board Affirmation Statement regarding Flexible Instruction Days (FIDS) for school years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025. Motion passed by majority vote, with Mr. Knott voting against the motion.

Motion by Mock, seconded by Gill, to approve the second reading of the following Policies, contingent upon incorporation of changes recommended by the Solicitor: 800.1 – Electronic Signatures/Records; 816 – District Social Media; 916 – Volunteers; 236.1 – Threat Assessment; 146.1 – Trauma Informed Approach; 218.1 – Weapons; 247 – Hazing; 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying; 252 – Dating Violence; 805 – Emergency Preparedness & Response and Safe2Say Something Procedures; 805.2 – School Security Personnel & Act 57 of 2020; 246 – School Wellness; 006 – Meetings; 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings; 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotations; 611 – Purchases Budgeted; and 626 – Procurement Procedure Attachment. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Daugherty, to authorize the Administration to accept any Notice(s) of Retirement received prior to the end of February, for Board approval at the next Official Meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Mock, to approve the appointment of the following, pending receipt of all appropriate clearances: Paige Deremer – Full Time Aide; Patrick Lynch – Support Staff Substitute; Cody Claar – Support Staff Substitute; Michelle Long – Support Staff Substitute. Motion passed by majority vote, with Mrs. Mock abstaining on the vote for Paige Deremer (relative).

Motion by Knott, seconded by Daugherty, to approve the appointment of Mark Loucks as Superintendent of Schools, pursuant to and contingent upon the parties' execution of a contract setting forth terms and conditions which include an initial salary of \$125,000 and an overall term of three years, plus a two and half month transition period in which Mr. Loucks will serve as Superintendent-Elect effective May 2, 2022, and commence his role as Superintendent of Schools effective July 16, 2022. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. Burket gave a Legislative update.

Mr. McLaurin presented the CTC report prepared by Mr. Gergely.

Mr. McLaurin discussed the Health/Safety Plan.

Mr. Kassick discussed the 2022 Prom.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Daugherty, to adjourn at 8:13 pm.

Michelle R. Smithmyer

Board Secretary