

NORTH CLAY COMMUNITY UNIT #25 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
July 10, 2008

The North Clay Community Unit #25 Board of Education met in regular session, Thursday, July 10, 2008 in the North Clay Unit District Office. President Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Troy Britton Chrissy Erwin, Tony Smith, Mike Worthey, and Darren Bailey.

Members absent: Sherry Porter and Cecil Cochran. Cecil Cochran arrived at 6:38 P.M.

Others present were: Superintendent, Monty Aldrich, Principal, Julie Healy, and Recording Secretary, Cheryl Kuhlig.

President Bailey opened the floor for any comments on the **Public Hearing** – Application of a waiver or modification of State Board rules and/or School Code mandates regarding permission to charge less than 110% of the per capita tuition charge for non-resident children of full-time employees of the district. With no comments being made, President Bailey closed the public hearing and proceeded with the regular board meeting.

President Bailey led the board in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Others present were: Superintendent, Monty Aldrich, Principal, Julie Healy, and Recording Secretary, Cheryl Kuhlig.

President Bailey placed the treasurer's report for June on file.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Erwin, to approve all sick leave and personal leave requests presented plus board bills covered by checks #34,524 through #34,692 were in the following amounts: Educational Fund: \$111,674.69; Building Fund: \$2,062.14; Transportation Fund: \$7,589.32; IMRF/SS: \$11,210.93; plus the June payroll of \$273,572.65 less deductions of \$57,457.43 making a total of \$348,652.30. Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

President Bailey recognized those visitors in attendance and asked if anyone would care to address the board. There were no comments from the visitors.

PRESENTATION – USNC Club Sponsors – Cara Rinehart and Lindsay Lash spoke on the progress and activities of the club. The USNC Club is a volunteer program with activities once a month. The sponsors reported that some of their activities were: Blood Drive, Visiting Nursing Homes, Walk for Change, Wish List, Red Ribbon Week and several other activities. The board thanked them for their presentation

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Smith, to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2008 Board Meetings. Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Worthey, to approve the agenda. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

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With only one bid for bread and milk, a motion was made by Smith, seconded by Erwin, to award the Interstate Brands Corporation for bread products and Prairie Farms for dairy products. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The District received two bids for gasoline and diesel. They were from Knapps and Effingham-Clay Farm Service. The costs over refinery were \$.06 from Knapps and \$.08 from Effingham-Clay Service. A motion was made by Cochran to stay with Effingham-Clay Service in view of other problems the district had with Knapps. Tony Smith seconded the motion. Ayes: Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Britton, to approve paying custodial salaries from the Operations/Maintenance Fund for the 2008-2009 school year. Ayes: Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Erwin, to approve the deposit for the Driver Education car from Louis Ochs Chevrolet-Olds in Newton. The school district is to pay \$42.00 per week for the period of time the automobile is used, plus \$.20 per mile for mileage in excess of 5,000 miles per year. Ayes: Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Cochran, to set the following fees for book rental, computer classes, lab fees, milk, breakfast, lunch, driver education, and athletic events:

Book Rental K-8	\$40.00	Health Care	\$37
Book Rental 9-12	\$42.00	Adult Living	\$8.75
Lunch – regular	\$1.70	Comp. I & II	\$10
Lunch – adult	\$2.00	Government Class	\$6.00
Head Start –lunch	\$1.95	Driver Education	\$50.00
Lunch – reduced	\$0.40	Keyboarding	\$10
Breakfast	\$0.85	Consumer Ed.	\$10
Breakfast – reduced	\$0.30	Accounting	\$20
Milk	\$0.25	Food Service	\$7.50
Spanish	\$10	Advanced Woods	\$10
Athletics	\$2.50 adults/\$1.50 students for admission		

Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Erwin, to renew a lease agreement with CEFS Economic Opportunity Corporation for one (1) classroom and office space at the old kindergarten building for the 2008-2009 program year in the amount of \$6,000.00. and authorized the Superintendent to seek a renter for one vacant classroom at the Early Childhood Center for a possible outside daycare provider or other educationally-related service. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

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A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Cochran, to approve the proposed Board Policy Manual changes for first reading:

- a. 4:55 Operational Services – Use of Credit and Procurement Cards
- b. 4:55 – E Operational Services – Cardholder’s Statement
- c. 4:80 Operational Services – Accounting and Audits
- d. 4:80-AP Operational Services – Checklist for Internal Controls
- e. 4:90 Operational Services – Activity Funds
- f. 6:20 Instruction – School Year Calendar and Day

Ayes: Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Smith, to approve the following Board Policy Manual changes from first reading of the May 14, 2008 board meeting:

- a. 7:135 Random Student Drug Testing Policy.

Ayes: Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Worthey, seconded by Smith, to approve a co-op agreement with the Flora School District for high school track under the stipulations that parents/guardians will be responsible for transportation to practices and meets as necessary. No transportation will be provided by the district. Ayes: Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. The motion carried.

President Bailey appointed Chrissy Erwin to fill in for Sherry Porter as Board Secretary.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Erwin, to enter closed session for the purpose of:

- a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, security, or dismissal of specific employees of the district *5 ILCS 120/2© (1)*.
- b. Item 11 of the agenda – Approving closed session minutes for Jan. 2008 – June 2008.

Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The board met in closed session from 8:20 P.M. to 9:32 P.M.

A motion was made by Worthey, seconded by Smith, to enter open session. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Upon returning to open session, President Bailey reported that the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, security, or dismissal of specific employees of the district *5 ILCS 120/2© (1)* was discussed.

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A motion was made by Worthey, seconded by Erwin, to keep closed session minutes from Jan., 2008 – June, 2008 “closed”. Ayes: Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Erwin, seconded by Britton, to dismiss Jennifer Stine as Head Cook effective immediately. Ayes: Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Erwin, seconded by Britton, to employ Cathi Bailey as Title I paraprofessional for the 2008-2009 school year and employ Carrie Durre as paraprofessional for the 2008-2009 school year. Ayes: Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Erwin, seconded by Worthey, to employ Tim Mills as NCHS Head Volleyball Coach for the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. Cochran abstained. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Erwin, seconded by Worthey, to approve Laura Smith as a student teacher in the fall of 2008-09. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Worthey, to employ Jerin Romack as Guidance Counselor at NCHS for the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Erwin, to employ Elizabeth Patridge as Business Teacher at NCHS for the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Worthey, seconded by Smith, to authorize the administration to employ an elementary teacher on a temporary contract at the beginning of the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Cochran, Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Worthey, to hire Craig Huddlestun as Jr. High Baseball Coach for the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Erwin, Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Britton, seconded by Erwin, to employ Crystal Hatley as Special Education Teacher for the 2008-09 school year. Ayes: Smith, Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Worthey, seconded by Erwin, to authorize the administration to employ a cook. Ayes: Worthey, Britton, Cochran, Erwin, Smith, and Bailey. Nays: None. The motion carried.

