

**NORTH CLAY COMMUNITY UNIT #25 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**Thursday, November 20, 2014**

The North Clay Community Unit #25 Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, Nov 20, 2014, at 6:30 P.M. in the North Clay Unit Office.

Acting President Cecil Cochran called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Acting President Cochran opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Jenny McKinney led the prayer.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present: David Simmons, Tony Smith, Cecil Cochran, Cara Rinehart and Jenny McKinney. Ryan Ballard arrived at 6:33.

Members absent: Mike Worthey

Others present were: Superintendent, Monty Aldrich, Principals, Keith Price and Penny Arnold, Special Education Coordinator, Jody Aldrich, Athletic Director Jason Lewis and Recording Secretary Tina Gaddy.

A motion was made by Rinehart, seconded by Jenny McKinney, to adopt the agenda. Ayes: Ballard, Cochran, Simmons, Rinehart, Smith, and McKinney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Smith to adopt the consent agenda.

- a. Approval of minutes
- b. Place the treasurer's report for October 2014 on file
- c. approve all sick leave and personal leave requests presented plus board bills covered by checks #49151 through #49309 were in the following amounts: Educational Fund: \$155,727.96; Building Fund: \$13,276.34; Transportation Fund: \$22,163.32; IMRF/SS Fund: \$18,661.93; plus the September payroll of \$ 279,487.30 less deductions of \$75,288.44 making a total of \$414,028.41

Ayes: Cochran, McKinney, Rinehart, Simmons, Smith and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried

A motion was made by Simmons, seconded by Rinehart, 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. Student disciplinary cases 5 *ILCS 120/2(c)(9)*

Ayes: Smith, Rinehart, Cochran, McKinney, Simmons, and Ballard Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board met in closed session from: **6:34 P.M.** to **7:20 P.M.**

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Simmons, to enter open session. Ayes: Cochran, Simmons, Rinehart, McKinney, Smith and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Simmons, seconded by Smith to expel student 11-20-14A for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year. Ayes: Rinehart, Simmons, Smith, Ballard, Cochran and McKinney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by Rinehart, seconded by Smith to hire Mary Ann Brown as a substitute bus driver upon completion of her requirements. Ayes: Simmons, Rinehart, Smith, Ballard, Cochran and McKinney. Nays: None. Motion carried

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Simmons to accept the resignation of Joni Cooper as bus driver effective Jan. 7, 2015. Ayes: Smith, Ballard, Cochran, McKinney, Rinehart and Simmons. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Simmons, to suspend Becky Wiley for one Jr. High basketball game due to her actions at a previous game. Ayes: Cochran, Smith and Simmons. Nays: McKinney, Rinehart and Ballard. Motion died.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Simmons, to allow an annexed family to accelerate attendance at North Clay. Ayes: Smith, Simmons, McKinney, Ballard, Rinehart and Cochran. Nays: None, Motion carried.

Discussion regarding a possible LARP'ing Club at the high school was on the agenda but was dropped.

A motion was made by Rinehart, seconded by Simmons, to approve and place on display the district's estimated tax levy for the 2015-2016 school year with a hearing set for Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 6:30. Ayes: Simmons, Rinehart, Cochran, Ballard, McKinney and Smith. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Rinehart, to approve Supt. Aldrich selling the white bus at \$25,000. Ayes: Ballard, Cochran, Simmons, Smith and Rinehart. Present: McKinney Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding bids received on the grading, patching and resealing of district grounds. No action was taken.

Discussion took place regarding Post Prom being held off-campus. No action was taken.

Discussion took place regarding the replacement of lockers at the high school. No action was taken.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Simmons, to pursue joining the National Trail Conference beginning the 2016-17 school year. Ayes: Ballard, McKinney, Simmons. Nays: Cochran, Rinehart and Smith abstained. Motion carried.

Principals Penny Arnold and Keith Price presented results from the 2014 Illinois School Report Card. This information will now be placed on the district website.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Rinehart to approve the technology plan for incoming freshmen in 2015-16. Ayes: Cochran, Rinehart, McKinney, Ballard, Simmons and Smith. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Rinehart, to approve the following fundraisers:

- a. Candy Cane O'Gram, Jr. High Enrichment, Dec. 2014
- b. Candy Bar Sales, NCHS Yearbook, Dec. 2014
- c. Rewards Cards, Jr. High Baseball, March/April 2015
- d. 50/50 Raffles, Girls' Basketball Games, HS Girls Basketball

Ayes: Ballard, McKinney, Cochran, Simmons, Smith and Rinehart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Rinehart, to approve NCHS students and Ms. Traub for a field trip to the WYSE Competition at OCC on Feb. 4, 2015. Ayes: Smith, Rinehart, Simmons, McKinney, Cochran and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: McKinney, Ballard, Rinehart, Cochran, Smith and Simmons. Nays: None. Motion carried

Acting President Cochran adjourned the meeting at 9:57 P.M.

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**President**

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**Secretary**