

NORTH CLAY COMMUNITY UNIT #25 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Wednesday, December 21, 2016

The North Clay Community Unit #25 Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. in the North Clay Unit Office.

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

President Cochran opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Tony Smith led the prayer.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present: Cecil Cochran, Ryan Ballard, Tony Smith, Chris Bible and Kim Adair. David Simmons arrived at 6:36. Members absent: Jenny McKinney.

Others present were: Superintendent, Monty Aldrich, Principals, Keith Price and Mark Storck, Special Education Coordinator, Jody Aldrich, and Recording Secretary Tina Gaddy.

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

A motion was made by Adair, seconded by Simmons, to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Ballard, Bible, Cochran, Smith, Simmons and Adair. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Approval of minutes
- b. Place the treasurer's report for November 2016 on file
- c. Approve all sick leave and personal leave requests presented plus board bills covered by checks #52230 through #52340 were in the following amounts: Educational Fund: \$158,323.04; Building Fund: \$13,410.43; Transportation Fund: \$18,526.52; IMRF/SS Fund: \$20,237.55; plus the February payroll of \$303,667.73 less deductions of \$77,961.90 making a total of \$436,203.37.

Public Comments & Positive News

GRADE SCHOOL POSITIVE NEWS: Mrs. McMahon's 5th grade class participated in a Trick or Treat for UNICEF as part of the original Kids Helping Kids campaign in November. Her class donated \$246.83 to the US Fund for UNICEF. North Clay Grade School and High School put on a successful Christmas Concert on December 6th. Many thanks to Ms. Hill and all the faculty and staff for their efforts to coordinate the program and of course the kids for their performances. In addition, I received a lot of positive comments from the community in the days to follow as well. The Junior High teachers will be putting on their annual Reindeer Games to finish up the incentive and rewards efforts for the North Clay Junior High Students. Wabash Communications in Louisville organized a "letters to Santa" program this year and coordinated with North Clay 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade classes. Students (with parental permission) recorded their letters to Santa for broadcast on Wabash's channel 100. Many thanks to Wabash Communications for doing this for North Clay's students this holiday season.

HIGH SCHOOL POSITIVE NEWS: Brandon Repking was selected as the November 2016 student of the month. The High School Band and Chorus, under the direction of Ms. Whitney Hill, put on a fantastic Christmas Program, along with the grade school and junior high. The theme was "Branson Christmas". Thank you to everyone who helped make it such a great success. The Homecoming Dance took place on December 10. Austin Schoreck and Jennifer

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Streif were voted as King and Queen. Over the past two weeks, the teachers have been meeting with the high school guidance and administration regarding curriculum needs.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Bible to adopt the district's tax levy for funds to be received for the 2017-2018 school year. Ayes: Simmons, Cochran, Adair, Smith, Bible and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding construction and renovation of several projects. Ed Kirchner, of Eggemeyer Associates Architects, was present to explain information on potential projects needed in relation to Life Health Safety and remaining issues within the district. The board will hold a special meeting on Wed., Jan. 4, 2017 for this purpose to further discuss the projects and financing.

- New doors and windows at HS (priority 1 through Life Safety)
- Remove boilers/install mini-boiler for climate control in HS gym
- Repair/replace mansard board on elementary building
- Replace needed window panels/windows at elementary building
- Tuckpointing or EIFS of jr. high addition
- Renovation of plumbing and ADA bathrooms at HS
- Renovation/reconstruction of breezeway from main HS building to Ag building for security reasons
- One that we keep getting cited on is reconstruction and enclosure of HS stairwells

Jason Griffy was present to request approval of a district sponsored 3rd grade basketball program. After lengthy discussion, it was decided to be tabled until the Jan. 4 special meeting. Until then, North Clay Sports Boosters will discuss needed funding for the program to be insured.

A motion was made by Simmons, seconded by Smith approve advertising for bids on a new tractor with either a trade-in or possibly selling the current John Deere 1020 with loader outright. Ayes: Ballard, Cochran, Adair, Bible, Smith and Simmons. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Adair, to allow FFA Alumni a full share of the plot revenue provided they report yearly on a proposed budget and educational value of the plot. Ayes: Smith, Bible, Ballard, Cochran, Adair and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bible, seconded by Simmons, to renew the agreement with Karl Meurlot as the school district's attorney. Ayes: Adair, Ballard, Cochran, Smith, Simmons and Bible. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Simmons, seconded by Adair, to approve Board Policy proposed changes in Appendix A below. Ayes: Smith, Bible, Ballard, Adair, Simmons and Cochran. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Bible, to approve an overnight field trip to Peoria, IL on January 25-28, 2017 for state chorus competition. Ayes: Cochran, Smith, Adair, Simmons, Bible and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Bible, to approve Professional Development Request from Rich Grubaugh to the Presidential Inauguration in Washington D.C. on January 18-21, 2017. Ayes: Smith, Simmons, Adair, Cochran, Bible and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Smith, to approve a change of course from Agricultural Science to Animal and Plant Science for the upcoming school year. Ayes: Bible, Cochran, Simmons, Adair, Smith and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Adair, seconded by Ballard, 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(c)(1)

Ayes: Simmons, Smith, Bible, Cochran, Ballard and Adair. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board met in closed session from 8:03 P.M. to 11:40 P.M.

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

Upon returning to open session the following motions were made:

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Simmons, to approve staying the second year of student 12-21-16A's expulsion providing the student successfully completes all district requirements. Ayes: Simmons, Adair, Smith, Cochran, Ballard and Bible. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Smith, to hire Courtney Logan as Substitute Cook based upon completion of requirements. Ayes: Cochran, Ballard, Smith, Simmons, Bible and Adair. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Bible, to hire Michele Lovett as Jr. High Assistant Volleyball Coach for 2016-17 season only. Ayes: Adair, Bible, Simmons, Smith, Ballard and Cochran. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ballard, seconded by Adair to hire Amy Thurman as a Substitute Nurse effective immediately. Ayes: Cochran, Smith, Bible, Simmons, Adair and Ballard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board also announced a special board meeting for Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017 beginning at 6:30 p.m. An agenda will be posted later.

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

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President Cochran adjourned the meeting at 11:43 P.M.

President

Secretary

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APPENDIX A: First reading of proposed board policy changes

- a. 2:125 Board Member Compensation; Expenses
- b. 2:200 Types of School Board Meetings
- c. 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure
- d. 2:250 Access to District Public Records
- e. 2:120 Board Member Development
- f. 2:30 School District Elections
- g. 3:40 Superintendent
- h. 3:50 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent
- i. 4:110 Transportation
- j. 4:170 Safety
- k. 4:55 Use of Credit and Procurement Cards
- l. 4:60 Purchases and Contracts
- m. 4:175 Convicted Child Sex Offender; Notifications
- n. 4:130 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services
- o. 4:10 Business and Fiscal Management
- p. 4:80 Accounting and Audits
- q. 4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs
- r. 5:190 Teacher Qualifications
- s. 5:280 Educational Support Personnel – Duties and Qualifications
- t. 5:60 Expenses
- u. 5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria
- v. 5:260 Student Teachers
- w. 5:100 Staff Development Program
- x. 5:185 Family and Medical Leave
- y. 5:250 Leaves of Absence
- z. 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves
- aa. 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
- bb. 5:125 Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct
- cc. 6:15 School Accountability
- dd. 6:140 Education of Homeless Children
- ee. 6:145 Migrant Students
- ff. 6:160 English Learners
- gg. 6:170 Title I Programs
- hh. 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program
- ii. 6:50 School Wellness
- jj. 6:60 Curriculum Content
- kk. 6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-entering Students
- ll. 7:15 Student and Family Privacy Rights
- mm. 7:30 Student Assignment and Intra-District Transfer
- nn. 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools
- oo. 7:60 Residence
- pp. 7:310 Restrictions on Publications; Elementary Schools
- qq. 7:315 Restrictions on Publications; High Schools
- rr. 7:305 Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries
- ss. 7:190 Student Behavior
- tt. 7:70 Truancy
- uu. 7:250 Student Support Services
- vv. 7:260 Exemption from Physical Education
- ww. 7:270 Administering Medicines to Students
- xx. 7:340 Student Records
- yy. 8:30 Visitors to and Conduct on School Property
- zz. 8:70 Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities
- aaa. 8:100 Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies