

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 20, 2022, 6:30PM

CERRO GORDO JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM

The regular meeting of the Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 Board of Education was called to order by President Piraino at 6:32pm. Members Curran, Freese, Greenwood, Hayes, Miller, Piraino, and Runyen answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Robinson and Principals Neaveill and Rodebaugh.

Public Participation: Thank you notes in appreciation for the COVID payment from members of the CGEA were read.

New Business: Tom Leahy, IASB Director of Executive Searches, presented information on the services provided by IASB as they relate to Superintendent searches.

Motion was made by Greenwood to approve the superintendent search proposal as presented by IASB. Curran seconded the motion. Freese, yes; Greenwood, yes; Hayes, yes; Miller, yes; Piraino, yes; Runyen, yes; Curran, yes. All ayes; motion carries.

Motion was made by Freese to approve overnight camp for the High School Cheerleaders held at SIU Edwardsville June 21-23, 2022. The motion was seconded by Runyen. Greenwood, yes; Hayes, yes; Miller, yes; Piraino, yes; Runyen, yes; Curran, yes; Freese, yes. All ayes; motion carries.

At 7:07pm, a motion was made by Hayes to adjourn to executive session for 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. The motion was seconded by Curran. Hayes, yes; Miller, yes; Piraino, yes; Runyen, yes; Curran, yes; Freese, yes; Greenwood, yes. All ayes; motion carries.

A motion to return from executive session was made by Curran and seconded by Hayes at 9:12pm. Voice vote was taken. All ayes; motion carries.

A motion was made by Runyen to approve the minutes of executive session as having been read in executive session. The motion was seconded by Freese. Voice vote was taken. All ayes; motion passed.

Action on Executive Session Matters:

A motion was made by Curran to accept a letter of resignation from Kim Lange. Freese seconded the motion. Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea. All ayes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Runyen to employ Amy Davenport as Special Education Life Skills Teacher. The motion was seconded by Greenwood. Piraino, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea; Miller, yea. All ayes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Hayes to employ Stacie Warren as part-time custodian, effective April 1, 2022. The motion was seconded by Curran. Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea. All ayes; motion passed.

A motion was made by Curran to demonstrate appreciation of the district's volunteer coaches and sponsors for winter sports season of 2021-2022 with a nominal honorarium as reflected in Exhibit A. Freese seconded the motion. Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, abstain; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Runyen, yea. All ayes; motion passed.

Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda included the following:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the March 16, 2022 regular meeting
- B. Approval of March financial reports
- C. Approval of payment of the April bills in the amount of \$151,759.78
- D. Approval of IESA membership renewal
- E. Approval of IHSA membership renewal
- F. Approval of renewal of Piatt County School Resource Officer agreement
- G. Approval of resolution to prepare FY23 budget

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Freese and seconded by Greenwood. Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea. All ayes; motion passed.

Principals' Reports:

Mrs. Neaveill presented the principal's report for CG Elementary. Midterms went home April 13th. The ISA was taken April 11, 12, and 13. The IAR tests took place during the week of March 28th for 5th and 6th graders and April 4th for 3rd and 4th graders. All tests have been completed. Retention letters will be sent out in April. 6th grade students will have a science fair on April 27 and 28. The students will present their projects to other classes during the school day. The Awards Ceremony will take place on May 27th in the auditorium. PK Screenings will take place on April 11th and 13th. Report Cards will be sent home with students on May 27th. May 2-6 is Teacher Appreciation Week. The elementary school is planning some special things. Farm Day was April 19th. The elementary students will enjoy a shaved ice treat on April 29th from Kona Ice Truck. Spring pics are set for April 22nd. The PK will have a family event on April 21st. It will be an art night and held in the auditorium. Field Trips will be held on May 25th for 1st grade; May 12th for 3rd grade; May 13th for 4th grade and May 19th for 6th grade. Art Night is set for April 25th from 6:30-7:30. The Decatur Arts Council will provide art instruction for the elementary students that evening. April is child abuse awareness month. Chalk the Walk is an event that takes place April 21st-23rd. It is put on by Macon County CASA for the purpose of preventing and raising awareness of child abuse. There is no fee, they just ask the public to chalk the walk. 6th grade: Jamie Boas and Rachel Davidson from the University of Illinois 4H Education programs will come in on April 20th to teach a lesson on the origin and history of gingerbread as part of our study of Medieval Europe. We are also working on setting up a time

for a lesson on what it means to eat Kosher to tie into a previous unit on Judaism. They will be bringing cooked items in for the students to try as part of each lesson.

Mr. Rodebaugh's principal's report for the Jr./Sr. High School included the following: Makenna Robinson and Jarret Lents will be honored at the Macon County Regional High School Association's Honors Luncheon on April 21. PSAT & SAT testing was completed on April 13. IAR and ISA Testing is scheduled to be completed on April 6-13. Mid-Terms will be sent home on April 22. Semester exams will be given May 26th and 27th (25th and 26th for Seniors). Teachers institute is May 31 and graduation practice will be on May 27 at 2:00. Farm Day was held on April 19. Aloha Day will be held on April 29. The Junior High Field trip to Six Flags will be on May 13. April Students of the Month included:

- HS – Lexus Lawhorn
- 8th – Quintin Nevius
- 7th – Alaina Powell

Honors Scholarship Night will be on May 3. National Honors Society Induction Ceremony was held on April 5. Graduation will be on May 28. Teacher Appreciation week is the week of May 2. Prom will be held on May 14. The high school's musical, *Freaky Friday*, will be May 20-21. JH Evening of Excellence will be held on May 27. HS Classroom Awards assembly will be on May 24. We will host the LPC Track meet on May 6. We will host the Macon County track meet on April 26.

Superintendent Report:

Mr. Robinson's Superintendent's report included the following: Mr. Robinson attended the MPSD/M-P ROE/Heartland Tech Joint Board meeting on 3/17. Kudos to our head cook Mindy Sawyer for applying for and securing Supply Chain Assistance Funds through ISBE. We received \$11,000 to help defray added costs caused by supply chain shortages which have caused greater expense to secure food wherever we can find it. (Goals 2, 3) The tuck-pointing work at CGHS is scheduled to begin in mid-July. (Goals 2,3) We received notice from ISBE that our School Project Maintenance grant has been approved. ISBE will pay for half of the tuck-pointing project costs. (Goals 2,3) We are partnering with Meridian CUSD #15 so we can access our share of American Rescue Plan Homeless Children and Youth funds (about \$3,400), which we plan to use to offset some of the transportation costs for such students. Neither district's allotment was large enough (\$5,000 minimum) to access on our own, which explains the reason for the partnership. (Goals 2-4) On 3/24, Mr. Robinson enjoyed observing Mr. Jacobs 7th grade social studies classes learning about the diet and making the food of enslaved African-Americans, under the direction Jamie Boas and Rachel Davidson from the U of I Extension Office. (Goals 1, 4) Our annual compliance visit from the State Fire Marshal was on 3/25. That report is provided to us and the ROE. The ROE follows up on the items to be addressed when they visit in the fall. Chris Johnson is completing the small handful of items pointed out, which includes replacing some emergency lights and installing a carbon monoxide detector. (Goal 2) A workplace safety specialist from Prairie State Insurance Cooperative toured our facilities with

Chris Johnson on 4/1. (Goal 2) Mr. Robinson attended a meeting with Piatt County School superintendents and sheriff to review our school resource officer program and discuss renewal of our contractual agreement. (Goals 2, 4) Mr. Robinson also met with a Dunn Company rep on 4/5 who looked at our parking lot and said it is holding up very well. Approved a request from the Illinois Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) to use our parking lot and restrooms on 7/15 as their 4-day, 400-mile bicycle ride from Alton to Chicago comes through Cerro Gordo. They anticipate 130 participants. (Goal 4) Mr. Robinson participated in a school law webinar on 4/7 about the new requirements on our Statement of Economic Interest forms. We received notice from ISBE that we were underpaid our fair share of Evidenced Based Funding dating back to FY2019 by a small amount (\$79.16) which will be forthcoming. (Goal 3)

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Other Business: None.

As there was no other business to come before the board, President Piraino adjourned the meeting at 9:25pm.