

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2023
CERRO GORDO JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM

The regular meeting of the Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 Board of Education was called to order by President Freese at 6:32 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Members Curran, Freese, Greenwood, Hayes, Howell, Miller, and Runyen answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Robinson, Principal Neaveill, Principal Willard, and Emily Weidner.

Public Participation and Correspondence: Board received thank you cards from Sydney McRae, Jodi Neaveill, Diann Durbin, and JH/HS teachers. A community member asked the Board if it would be possible for guests that cannot use stairs to be able to use the North entrance doors for events, the Board asked administration to look into a plan to address the request.

Four students were recognized by Principal Willard as being “Students of the Month”, one each from grades 6th, 7th, 8th, and one from high school.

Curran moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:45 p.m. for 5 ILCS 120/2 © (1) – The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body and 5 ILCS 120/2 © (3) – The selection of a person to fill a vacancy in a public office when the public body is given the power to appoint under law. Hayes seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Hayes moved to return from executive session at 7:53 p.m. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Hayes, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Miller moved to approve the minutes of executive session as having been read in executive session. Runyen seconded the motion. Roll call: Hayes, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Miller to appoint Melinda Callaway to a two-year term to fill the vacancy left by Hayes. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas. President Freese administered the Oath of Office to Callaway.

Motion by Curran to accept letter of resignation from Jennifer Taylor as Pre-K Parent Coordinator. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Freese to accept resignations of assistant football coaches Jared Schonert, volunteer Carter Davenport, and volunteer Alex Wond. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Runyen to approve employment of Trudy Vest as Pre-K Parent Coordinator. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Curran to approve Braden Snyder as assistant HS football coach. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Runyen to employ summer custodial assistants Konnor Waterhouse, Ty Carlson, Kyle Dobson, Ian Hawk, Hannah Kretsinger, and Kaydon Waterhouse. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Curran to accept the volunteer services of Jennifer Wentz as JH/HS track and field assistant. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Miller moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- Approve minutes of the May 2, 2023 special meeting
- Approve financial reports
- Approve payment of May bills for the amount of \$547,241.54
- Approve IESA and IHSA membership renewals for 2023-2024
- Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Macon-Piatt ROE #39 for providing the Regional Safe Schools (Milligan Academy) and Truants Alternative and Optional Educational (Futures) Programs

Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, abstain. Motion carried.

Principal Neaveill presented the PK-5 principal report: Awards day will be May 22nd at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium, report cards will be sent home on May 22nd, thank you to Jenny Taylor and Kelly Martina for assistance with Kindergarten screenings that took place on May 10th, the PK Spring Family Night took place May 3rd with focus on promotion and celebration, yearbooks have been distributed, retirement celebrations for Superintendent Robinson and Sydney McRae were held May 16th and May 18th, calls have been made to parents in effort to collect school fees, thank you to School Board, PTO and Stacey Wildman for making Teacher Appreciation Week special.

Principal Willard presented the JH/HS principal report: NHS induction was held May 2nd with nine new members being inducted, Konnor Waterhouse was recognized as a school leader on May 1st at the Illinois Principals Association luncheon, band concert was held May 8th, school musical Buggy Malone was held last week of April, Carson Brown and Lexus Lawhorn were recognized at the LPC Senior Recognition luncheon on April 18th, Reese Brunner and Konnor Waterhouse were recognized at the Macon County Senior Recognition luncheon on April 21st, 7th grade girls track team won the JHOC Conference meet, HS baseball brought record to .500 for first time in 9.5 years, JH scholastic bowl team won 4th straight regional championship, honors night was held on May 2nd with over \$30,000 in scholarships awarded.

Superintendent Robinson reported on the following: received notification from Illinois Secretary of State that the district is to receive an \$850 School District Library Grant, fire drills conducted on April 26th, entered agreements with AEP Energy and Vanguard to lock in pricing on electricity and natural gas to avoid spikes in cost during peak months, demolition and removal of boiler system began May 17th, considering improvements to JH/HS kitchen by adding a food disposal and purchasing a new dishwasher, representative from ISBE Nutrition Department conducted a National School Lunch and Breakfast review on May 9th-10th.

Unfinished Business: Miller moved to approve second reading/adopt IASB recommended board policy changes-Issue 111. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea.

Motion by Curran to approve Wonders Reading and Go Math curriculums for CGES. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Freese to approve the final public school calendar for 2022-23 as presented. Greenwood seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Curran to approve honorariums in the form of a nominal fee, as show of appreciation to volunteer baseball and softball coaches. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Callaway, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

As there was no further action to come before the board, Freese declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Secretary

President