

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 15, 2021

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 6:33pm. Members Curran, Freese, Miller and Piraino answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Robinson and Principals Neaveill and Rodebaugh. Members Greenwood, Hayes and Runyen were not present.

Public Participation & Correspondence: There was no public participation.

Principal Rodebaugh presented the Students of the Month for December: Jack Hentz (7th grade), Mickey Tirpak (8th grade), Ty Carlson (HS).

The Truth in Taxation Hearing started at 6:36pm, with Superintendent Robinson presenting the 2021 Tax Levy details. The public was given an opportunity to ask questions; however, no one chose to. The Truth in Taxation Hearing was subsequently adjourned at 6:41pm by Piraino to resume regular meeting discussions.

A motion was made by Curran to adjourn to executive session at 6:42pm and was seconded by Freese. Freese, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Curran, yea. All ayes; motion carried.

Miller made a motion to return from executive session at 7:02pm. The motion was seconded by Curran. A voice vote was called, all ayes; motion carried.

Freese made a motion to approve the minutes from the executive session as having been read in executive session. Miller seconded the motion. Piraino, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Miller, yea. All ayes; motion carried.

Action on Executive Session Matters:

A motion was made by Curran and seconded by Freese to approve Jeremy Moore as an assistant high school boys' basketball coach. Since the CGB co-op started, there has been a consistently high number of athletes participating in basketball warranting the need for additional coaching staff. Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea. All ayes, motion passed.

Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda included the approval of minutes from the November 17 regular meeting and approval of the December bills in the amount of \$306,027.40. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Curran and seconded by Piraino. Freese, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Curran, yea. All ayes, motion passed.

Principal's Reports:

Principal Neaveill reported that a Pre-K family night was held on December 7, which had 64 parents/students in attendance. Lisa Forbes and Frankie Martin attended the Raising Student Achievement Conference on December 13 & 14. Report cards will be sent home on January 7, and STAR Math and STAR Reading Assessments for grades 1-6 will be administered January 10-14. The new PTO has arranged treats and craft projects to be done during a holiday party on December 21.

Principal Rodebaugh attended a JHOC meeting on December 8, where Sullivan was voted in as a new member. Semester Exams will be held December 20 & 21, and report cards will be sent home on January 7. Mid-year STAR Math and STAR Reading Assessments are set for January 10-14. January 14 is scheduled for an SIP Day. Vision and hearing re-screenings took place on December 3. He also wanted to congratulate the HS boys' basketball team on making it to the championship game of the Macon County Tournament.

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Robinson reported that the CGEA approved the Memorandum of Agreement for the flexibility on evaluation requirements for veteran teachers for the 21-22 school year on November 22. He also stated that the FY22 Program Improvement Grant funding for the CTE program will be \$1,370. He attended an Egyptian Trust Executive Committee meeting on November 23 and a Board of Managers meeting on December 1, both via zoom. The brick refacing project is now complete, but the roofing projects are still in progress. Work will continue on the roofs as weather permits. The sewer line blockage coming out of the ES Annex, which runs under the playground, will be repaired as soon as the equipment company can get it on their schedule. Until then, the Annex restrooms are not being used. The Kirby Medical COVID testing program for students and staff will be ending on December 21, 2021. The school nurse is currently working to complete the necessary IDPH application process to set up an onsite COVID testing program and is hoping to have it available starting in January 2022. The finance auditors from Floyd & Associates will be conducting the district's yearly audit January 5-7.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made to adopt the resolution abating the tax levied for the year 2021 to pay the debt service on Series 2017B Alternate Revenue Bonds. This is done yearly to make the bond payment using the 1% County Schools Facility Sales Tax funds instead of it being passed on to the local taxpayers. The motion was made by Piraino and seconded by Curran. Miller, yea; Piraino, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by Curran to approve the 2021 Certificate of Tax Levy as presented in the Truth in Taxation hearing. The motion was seconded by Miller. Piraino, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Miller, yea. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was presented to adopt the Resolution Authorizing Execution of the Employer Participation Agreement for Supplemental Savings Plan (SSP) through the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) of Illinois. State law, 40 ILCSA 5/16-204, requires TRS to offer a defined contribution benefit to any active member who wishes to participate. Since the teachers are not directly employed by TRS, the school must adopt the resolution in order for the TRS members to participate. This is a 457(b) supplemental savings plan and will be available for enrollment starting January 10, 2022. The motion was made by Miller and seconded by Freese. Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Miller, yea; Piraino, yea. All ayes, motion passed.

A motion was made by Curran to approve the first reading of the IASB recommended board policy changes (Issue 108). A policy committee, consisting of Robinson, Freese and Miller, will meet prior to the January board meeting to review the changes and provide recommendations. The motion was seconded by Piraino. A voice vote was called. All ayes; motion passed.

The discussion on the IASB/IASA/IASBO Joint Annual Conference was tabled until the January meeting. All in attendance agreed.

Principal Rodebaugh gave a summary of the CGB co-op meeting that was held to review the fall sports seasons. In attendance were the Cerro Gordo and Bement school board presidents, HS principals and athletic directors. He reported that overall it was a very positive meeting with good communication from both sides. The next meeting is planned for March 2022.

Other Business: None.

No other business was brought before the board. Freese motioned to adjourn, seconded by Curran. A voice vote was called. All ayes; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.