

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT DIST. #399
APRIL 20, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Chadwick-Milledgeville Community Unit School District #399 Board of Education was held via ZOOM Video Conferencing on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 7:11 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish. Absent was D. Wagenknecht.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: T. Schurman, Superintendent, and B. Maloy, Milledgeville Principal.

OTHERS PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by the Board President, S. Baylor-Schmidt. A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by B. Smith to approve the agenda. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

CONSENT ITEMS:

A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by M. Urish to approve the following consent items as presented.

- a. Minutes of the March 19, 2020, Regular Board Meeting and Closed Session.
- b. Payment of Bills for April 2020
- c. Treasurer's Report for March 2020
- d. Hot Lunch Report for March 2020
- e. Student Activity Fund Account Summary for March 2020.

Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish. No nays. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- A. Heard from parents regarding future of football.
- B. Heard from parents concerned about remote learning.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approved IESA Membership: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by S. Kappes to approve membership in the IESA for the 2020-21 school year. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that this is a yearly requirement to renew our membership, so our students can participate in the wrestling coop and track state series.

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Approved E-Learning/Remote Instruction Plan: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by B. Smith to approve the E-Learning/Remote Instruction Plan for Chadwick-Milledgeville CUSD #399. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that a team of teachers and administrators developed this plan together prior to the mandated school closure. We will use this plan to develop and implement E-Learning lesson plans during snow emergency days next school year.

Approved Re-Organization of Reporting Groups to the State for 2020-21: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by B. Smith to approve Re-Organization of Reporting Groups to the state that will both be housed at Milledgeville in 2020-21: K-6 Chadwick-Milledgeville Elementary and 7-12 Chadwick-Milledgeville Jr./Sr. High. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that this is a formality that needs to be completed as we transition to one building. We currently have 4 schools reporting and this allows us to reduce paperwork and simplify instructional cost reporting. In addition, it simplifies communication from the ROE and ISBE because we will have one K-12 principal and one K-12 superintendent. Finally, this will allow Mr. Maloy and I to divide staff evaluation, supervision, and discipline in a more equitable manner.

Approved Proposed 2020-21 Public School Calendar: A motion was made by S. Kappes and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve the proposed 2020-21 Public School Calendar. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that this is the second reading and reflects what we discussed last month. The first day for students is Friday, August 21, 2020; Christmas Break is December 23, 2020-January 3, 2021; Spring Break March 29-April 5, 2021; Last day of student attendance May 25, 2021.

Approved Non-Certified Seniority List: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by S. Kappes to approve the Non-Certified Seniority List. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that this list is required to accurately reflect the length of tenure for each of our non-certified employees.

Approved going to 8 Man Football in Fall of 2021: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by M. Bibler to approve going to 8 Man Football in the Fall of 2021. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Mr. Maloy reported that we will play 11 Man football in the NUIC this coming fall.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Approved 2020 Summer School Program July 27-August 14, 2020: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by S. Kappes to approve the 2020 Summer School Program to be run July 27-August 14, 2020. The Summer Scholar program will be for remediation and enrichment. The teachers will be Mr. Eich, Ms. Grenoble, and Mrs. Skoog. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

First Reading PRESS Policy Update Issue #103: Some of the new or revised policies are as follows: Board Member Compensation, Board Reimbursement. Superintendent Committees, Payment Procedures, School Staff AED Notification, Cannabis Prohibition, Expenses, Personnel Records, Resignations, Attendance and Truancy, Student Fundraising, and Gifts.

Reviewed Winter Sports Gate Receipts: Superintendent Schurman reported that overall gate receipts were up \$1,300 over last year.

Approved Renewal Membership in the Illinois High School Association for 2020-21: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by M. Bibler to approve Renewal Membership in the Illinois High School Association for the 2020-21 school year. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Approved Shared Transportation Agreement with Eastland: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by S. Kappes to approve renewal of the Shared Transportation Agreement with Eastland CUSD #308 for the 2020-21 school year. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.
Superintendent Schurman reported that every shared service or athletic coop works very well with Eastland. They are a well led district and great to work with.

Approved Renewal of Student Accident Insurance: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve renewal of Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Student Accident Insurance. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried. This is an annual renewal and provides coverage options for parents who do not have insurance.

End of Year Events Alternative Dates Schedule: Superintendent Schurman reported that in an attempt to be proactive we developed a schedule of alternative dates for important events like Senior Scholarship Night, Prom, Baccalaureate, and Graduation. I am not sure that future social distancing guidelines will allow for group gatherings over 10-15 people, but we felt it was worth demonstrating an effort to make these events happen.

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CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by M. Bibler to convene in closed session at 7:59 p.m. in order to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer, collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees and to consider student disciplinary matters. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by S. Kappes to reconvene into regular open session at 8:30 p.m. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

ACTIONS TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Approved Hiring Mrs. Logan Gibbs as Special Education Instructor: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by S. Kappes to hire Mrs. Logan Gibbs as Special Education Instructor for the coming school year. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Approved Hiring Mrs. Katie Mitchell as JH ELA Instructor: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by B. Smith to hire Mrs. Katie Mitchell as JH ELA Instructor for the coming school year. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Approved Termination of Mrs. Barb Alexander as Part-Time Cook and Transfer to Substitute Cook: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve the termination of Mrs. Barb Alexander's Part-Time Cook position and transfer to the position of Substitute Cook. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, S. Kappes, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Approved Hiring Summer Maintenance Workers: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by M. Bibler to approve hiring Kyle Ottens, Cade Schave, Mason McKenna, Blayne Kappes, and Grant Schurman as summer maintenance workers. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, P. Eubanks, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. S. Kappes abstained. Motion carried.

Approved Memorandum of Understanding with the CMEA: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by S. Kappes to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the CMEA. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- A. Senior Scholarship Night TBA
- B. IASB Convention in Chicago – November 20-22, 2020
- C. IASB Resolution Proposals Due June 24, 2020
- D. Report on Educational and Legislative Issues
Superintendent Schurman reported that Governor Pritzker canceled in person learning for the remainder of the school year. Due to the shelter in place and business shutdown state tax revenues have been negatively impacted. Some districts could see a 20% cut in state funding in Fiscal Year 2021.
- E. Report on Legal Issues
- F. Early Step Pre-K report
The pre-K programs have transitioned to remote learning due to the cancellation of in person learning.
- G. Principal's Report
- H. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. 8th grade promotion is cancelled.
 - 2. Last day of student attendance will be Tuesday, June 2, 2020.
 - 3. Staff retirement celebration is TBA

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by P. Eubanks to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. Voice vote showed all in favor, motion carried.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

NEXT BOARD MEETING – The Next Regular Board Meeting is Monday, May 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Milledgeville High School Library.