

CLARK COUNTY R-1
REGULAR MEETING-OPEN SESSION
April 15, 2021

The Clark County R-1 Board Of Education met in regular session on April 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the High School Library at 680 E. Main St., Kahoka, MO 63445.

Members Present: Mark Plenge, Doug James, Charles West, Jason Acklie, Craig Hunziker, Kevin Ross and Heather Webster (arrived 6:05)

Administration present: Dr. Ritchie Kracht, Superintendent, Jason Harper, Jason Church, Megan Wendling, Betsy Parrish, Katrina Nixon, Principals.

Guests: Mike Scott, The Media, Terry Brunk, Les Billings, Cheyanne Loebach, Ardith Harmon

Call to order as per section 610.020 RSMo-establish quorum by Board President Mark Plenge.

Motion made by Jason Acklie, seconded by Charles West to approve school elections results of Clark and Lewis County from the April 6, 2021 vote.

Aye 6 Webster absent

Nay 0

Motion made by Jason Acklie, seconded by Charles West to dissolve expiring 2020-2021 Board of Education.

Aye 7

Nay 0

The Oath of Office was given to reelected members Charles West and Jason Acklie.

Motion was made by Charles West, seconded by Jason Acklie to nominate Mark Plenge for Board President.

Aye 6

Nay 0 Mark Plenge abstain.

Motion was made by Kevin Ross, seconded by Charles West to nominate Jason Acklie for board vice president.

Aye 6

Nay 0 Jason Acklie abstain.

Motion made by Charles West seconded by Jason Acklie to nominate Craig Hunziker as treasurer.

Aye 6

Nay 0 Craig Hunziker abstain

Motion made by Jason Acklie, seconded by Charles West to approve Wendy Johnson as board secretary.

Aye 7

Nay 0

The following Consent Agenda was discussed:

1. Approve Agenda
2. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes
 - a. March 10, 2021
 - b. March 30, 2021
3. Approve Financial Reports as presented by Superintendent
4. Program, committee, informational reports, and other business
 - a. ADA
 - B. CCC Winter Sportsmanship results

Motion made by Charles West, seconded by Kevin Ross to approve the consent agenda.

Aye 7

Nay 0

Les Billings asked to speak to the Board about sharing the cost with the summer ball association and the city for a new fencing at the baseball diamond. The cost for the fencing is about \$32,000 and summer ball is going to donate \$10,000 toward the cost and Les Billings asked if the school would be able to donate that same amount. After much discussion about where the district stands on budget, the Board made the decision to table this item until May so there may be a better idea on where the district sits financially.

Elementary Principals, Mrs. Nixon and Mrs. Parrish, presented to the Board their recommendation for a new K-5 math curriculum. The curriculum is called Zearn math. This curriculum is a learning and teaching program created by teachers, for teachers. It is a curriculum that is used online so it could be utilized if we were ever to do online learning. This curriculum is also very cost friendly. There have been teachers in both buildings that have started to use some

Zearn math in their classroom and they all have agreed it is a great curriculum. Zearn math is fully aligned to the Missouri Learning Standards.

Motion made by Kevin Ross, seconded by Heather Webster to approve the new K-5 math curriculum.

Aye 7.

District Nurse Ardith Harmon, reported that COVID numbers are low, there has just been 1 recent positive case at the high school that affected 7 students. This Friday is the day that our staff who signed up for vaccines will be receiving their second dose.

Dr. Kracht presented the 2021-2022 district calendar and preschool calendar. He also shared staff comments about the calendar.

Motion made by Charles West, seconded by Jason Acklie to approve the 2021-2022 district and preschool calendars.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Dr. Kracht presented the 1 building trades bid that was sent in, from Zach and Olivia Nixon for \$14,000.

Motion made by Kevin Ross, seconded by Heather Webster to approve the bid from Zach and Olivia Nixon for \$14,000.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Motion made by Jason Acklie, seconded by Charles West to accept the early childhood bus lease agreement.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Motion made by Charles West, seconded by Craig Hunziker to approve the purchase of 3 used buses at \$69,915.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Mr. Harper requested bids from QNS and CDW-G for 175 chromebooks for the high school and middle school for next year. QNS gave a price quote of \$63,056.95 and CDW-G gave a price of \$51,066.15.

Motion made by Charles West, seconded by Heather Webster to approve the bid from CDW-G for \$51,066.15.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Board Member Kevin Ross brought up his concerns on safety and the current student discipline issues within the district. He asked about the possibility of the school district looking into hiring a resource officer. Safety is a major concern and the first thing that will be looked at is setting up a meeting with local law officials and asking them to do more stops and visits to each of the buildings. Administrators shared they are being overwhelmed with discipline issues. Dealing with discipline issues takes time away from doing other parts of their jobs such as teacher development and being an instructional leader in their buildings. Discipline issues discussed included vaping, vandalism in the bathrooms, disrespect to staff, and students harassing other students. The principals shared about student discipline issues rising significantly the last few years. The board gave their support for the principals to take the necessary actions to address the discipline issues.

Board President Mark Plenge opened the only bid received for surplus property. Bill Moss submitted a bid of \$21.94 for the slide from Running Fox.

Motion was made by Jason Acklie, seconded by Charles West to accept the bid from Bill Moss of \$21.94.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Motion made by Doug James, seconded by Jason Acklie to set the May board meeting for Wednesday, May 12, at 6:00 pm.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Board President Mark Plenge read a thank you note from the Farrell & Church families.

Motion made by Kevin Ross, seconded by Charles West to enter into closed session with a closed record and closed vote as allowed pursuant to section RSMO 610.021,

1. Section 1 (legal)
2. Section 3 and 13 (personnel)
3. Section 6 and 14 (student)

Roll Call Vote

Aye 7- Mark Plenge, Doug James, Charles West, Jason Acklie, Craig Hunziker, Kevin Ross and Heather Webster.

Nay 0.

Motion made by Craig Hunziker, seconded by Heather Webster to adjourn the meeting.

Aye 7. Nay 0.

Date Read and Approved

Mark Plenge, Board President

Wendy Johnson, Board Secretary