

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE CUSD #399 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 20, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Chadwick-Milledgeville Community Unit School District #399 Board of Education was held at the Milledgeville School on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Freeman Cooper, Corey and Kellie Rahn

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

CONSENT ITEMS: A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by M. Urish to approve the following consent items as presented.

- A. Approved Minutes of the February 21, 2023 Regular & Closed Meeting
- B. Approved Payment of Bills for March, 2023
- C. Approved Treasurer's Report for February, 2023
- D. Approved Hot Lunch Report for February, 2023
- E. Approved Student Activity Fund Account Summary for February, 2023

Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Approved Proposed 2023-24 District Calendar: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve the proposed 2023-24 District Calendar. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that this is the second reading so once approved it becomes our official calendar for next school year. Highlights include the following: students will start August 16, 2023; Thanksgiving week off; Christmas Break December 23-January 8, 2024; Spring Break March 25-April 1, 2024; students last day May 23, 2024.

Discussion and Revision of District Mission, Vision, Guiding Principle, Core Values, and Goals. The board discussed current mission, vision, core values and goals. The board decided to revise our academic goals to emphasize career pathway development in manufacturing and the trades. In addition, the board decided to add a goal regarding student connections and involvement at school. Finally, the board made minor changes to our core values to better reflect their intent. Superintendent Schurman will make the revisions and bring documents to the April meeting for board consideration.

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Approved Lease Contract with Spectrum VoIP: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by M. Urish to approve the lease contract for a new paging/clock system with Spectrum VoIP. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported that this lease would replace the current clock and paging system which is quite antiquated. This will be a significant safety upgrade.

NEW BUSINESS

Approved renewal of Shared Transportation Agreement with Eastland CUSD #308:

A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by A. Drinkall to approve renewal of Shared Transportation Agreement with Eastland CUSD #308. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that we have shared transportation with Eastland for over a decade and the program has worked well. We have tentatively increased per mile costs 5% to account for moderating fuel prices but increasing wage costs.

Approved Overnight Field Trip for 8th Grade:

A motion was made by T. Hackbarth and seconded by M. Bibler to approve the overnight 8th Grade Field Trip to Springfield, Illinois on May 18th & 19th, 2023. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Students will visit Lincoln's New Salem, The Capitol Building, Dana-Thomas House, The State Museum, and The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum. Cheeseman Coaches has been contracted to provide transportation and we will be staying at the Drury Inn in Springfield.

Approved Special Board Meeting Date: A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by M. Bibler to approve the Special Board Meeting date of May 1, 2023 at Milledgeville School Library to seat the newly elected board members and to reorganize the board. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman noted that this is required within 21-40 days of certification of election results. It should be a brief meeting.

Approved Renewal of Membership in the Illinois High School Association: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve renewal of membership in the Illinois High School Association for the 2023-24 school year. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC

- a. Heard a concern from Corey & Kellie Rahn regarding if the district was going to follow the new Federal Sex Education Curriculum. Board President indicated that the district has opted out of those standards.
- b. Heard a concern from Freeman Cooper regarding a recent disciplinary incident and keeping students safe.

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CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by T. Hackbarth to convene into closed session at 8:15 P.M. in order to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, retirement, reduction, or dismissal of an employee or officer; collective bargaining matters, and to consider student disciplinary matters. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by T. Hackbarth to reconvene into regular session at 10:02 P.M. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

MOTIONS OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Approved Rehire of Non-Tenured Certified Faculty: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by B. Smith to approve the rehire of Non-Tenured Faculty. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

- a. 1st Grade-Ashley Spangler
- b. 1st Grade-Jodi Merrell
- c. 4th Grade-Sophi Edwards
- d. 5th Grade-Katie Wilkinson
- e. JH ELA-Jennifer Brown
- f. K-3 Special Ed. Kaylee Scott
- g. JH Math & Social Studies-Drake Dublo
- h. JH ELA-Katie Mitchell

Approved Rehire and Tenure for 4th Year Certified Staff: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by B. Smith to approve rehire and tenure for the following 4th year certified staff. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

- a. Kindergarten-Janet Folk
- b. 4th Grade-Brooke Pishos
- c. Title I-Jessica Wroble
- d. FACS-Morgan Blasing

Approved Hiring Ms. Mackenzie Ferguson as Junior High Assistant Track Coach.

A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by B. Smith to approve hiring Ms. Mackenzie Ferguson as Junior High Assistant Track Coach. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Accepted Resignation of Eric Hernandez: A motion was made by T. Hackbarth and seconded by M. Bibler to accept the resignation of Mr. Eric Hernandez as Director of Technology effective April 7, 2023. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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Approved Disciplinary Action Taken: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve disciplinary action taken by the administration related to recent disciplinary concerns. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

A. Legislative update

Superintendent Schurman reported that the legislature is again seeking to impose legislative mandates on the people of Illinois. One bill proposes \$20/hour wages for non-certified education support personnel and another bill would ban diesel buses by 2028 and require all buses be electric by 2035.

B. Legal Issues update

C. Early Step Pre-K Report

D. Principal's Report

E. Superintendent's Report

1. Winter sports have concluded their seasons.
2. K-5 Staff Received Speech Intervention Training
3. Safe School Review and School Safety Drills are complete.
4. Jr./Sr. High School Fundraiser was successful.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by A. Drinkall to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 P.M. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Monday, April 17, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Milledgeville High School Library