

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #399
DECEMBER 18, 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, December 18, 2023 at 7:02 p.m.

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Macey Schryver, Kendra Kingsby

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Board President P. Eubanks. A motion was made by S. Baylor-Schmidt and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve the agenda. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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

- a. Minutes of the November 15, 2023 Regular and Closed Meeting.
- b. Payment of bills for December, 2023
- c. Treasurer's report for November, 2023
- d. Hot Lunch Report for November, 2023
- e. Student Activity Fund Account Summary for November, 2023.

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

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC

A. Sophomore class presentation on recommendations for improving school lunches. Macey Schryver and Kendra Kingsby were the presenters.

OLD BUSINESS

Adoption of 2023 Tax Levy: A motion was made by S. Baylor-Schmidt and seconded by M. Urish to approve adoption of the 2023 Tax Levy. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, and M. Urish voting aye. B. Smith voted nay. Motion carried.

It is expected that our equalized assessed valuation (EAV) of property in the district will increase 6.88%. It is important that we capture all of our local revenues due to increasing costs.

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Approved Second Reading PRESS Policy Update Issue #113: A motion was made by S. Baylor-Schmidt and seconded by B. Smith to approve the second reading of PRESS Policy Update Issue #113. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported that the following policies will be revised and updated: board governance procedures, open meetings act, student activity funds, hiring and conditions of employment, curriculum, instruction, library resources, student attendance, student health, appearance, and behavior, Title IX, bullying policy update, school safety and security.

Community Engagement Committee Discussion: The board discussed the purpose of this proposed committee and how such a committee would be structured.

NEW BUSINESS

Approved revised 2023-2024 District Textbook List: A motion was made by S. Baylor-Schmidt and seconded by M. Urish to approve the revised 2023-2024 district textbook list. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported that we revise this list each year in order to reflect the quantity and condition of our textbooks.

Approved Lease Purchase of Ford E-350 2024 Trans Tech Bus: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by A. Drinkall to approve a five-year lease purchase of a new Ford E-350 2024 Trans Tech 14 passenger MFSAB from Southern Bus & Mobility located in Breese, IL. Roll call vote showed S. Baylor-Schmidt, A. Drinkall, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, B. Smith, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported that the lease payments will be \$22,481 for five years. This bus will provide some flexibility in how we transport students to various school-related events.

Approved the Superintendent to Seek Bids for Buses: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by S. Baylor-Schmidt to approve the Superintendent to seek bids on a mini-bus and a 71-passenger yellow bus. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported that it is time to trade in our five-year-old buses that have been depreciated out.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- A. Report on Educational and Legislative Issues
Superintendent Schurman reported that not much happened during the veto session. However, he does expect the proposal for a \$20 minimum wage for non-certified staff to be resubmitted in the spring legislative session.

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B. Early Step Board Report

Superintendent Schurman reported that there are still openings both in the morning and afternoon sessions. Please contact the District office if you have a Pre-K aged student.

C. Principal's Report

D. Superintendent's Report

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by B. Smith and seconded by S. Baylor-Schmidt to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Voice vote showed 6 ayes. No nays. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

Next Regular Board Meeting will be **Tuesday, January 16, 2024** at the MHS Library at 7:00 PM.