

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District Board of School Directors met for the annual reorganization meeting at 7:12pm on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, with Mr. Jeremy Knott, President, presiding. The following members responded to roll call: Mr. Craig Burket, Mr. Jonathan Burkett, Dr. Mona Eckley, Mr. Richard Gergely, Mr. Roger Knisely, Mrs. Shelda Repko, Mr. Joe Musselman, and Mr. Jeremy Knott. Also present were Mr. Brian Hess (Morrison's Cove Herald), Mr. Nicholas Krampen, Mr. Rich Allison, Mr. David Glass, Mr. Dave Kramer (Schneider Electric), Ms. Michele Crist, Mr. Ryan Brown (Altoona Mirror), Ms. Erin Thompson (Bedford Gazette), Ms. Stacey Claycomb, Mr. Steve Harned (The Hite Co.), Mr. Andrew Trexler, Ms. Elizabeth Benjamin (Beard Legal Group), Mr. Matt Hall, Mr. Stephen Puskar, Ms. Royce Ann Boyd, and Mrs. Michelle Smithmyer.

Mr. Knott welcomed the guests.

Andrew Trexler addressed the Board. He is the executive director of CatalystSpace.org and a former student of CKSD. He spoke regarding the quality of education at CKSD and technology initiatives. The Board responded that they would follow up under New Business.

Heidi Kennedy addressed the Board. She spoke regarding athletic facility upgrades and asked for advice on how the Softball Boosters can upgrade the softball facilities. The Board asked Ms. Kennedy to follow up with administration.

Michele Crist addressed the Board. She thanked the Board for beginning the TSA After School Program and also expressed concerns regarding the grading system.

Stacey Claycomb addressed the Board. She expressed concerns regarding communications between the High School and parents.

Motion by Gergely, seconded by Burkett, to appoint Elizabeth Benjamin to the position of Temporary Chairperson for the purpose of electing officers. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Musselman, seconded by Repko, to accept nominations for the position of Board President. Motion passed by voice vote.

Motion by Musselman, seconded by Gergely, to nominate Jeremy Knott to the position of Board President. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Knott resumed the role of President.

Motion by Musselman, seconded by Burket, to accept nominations for the position of Board Vice-President. Motion by Musselman, seconded by Repko, to nominate Dr. Eckley. Motion by Repko, seconded by Eckley, to nominate Mr. Gergely.

Motion by Gergely, seconded by Burket, to close the nominations for Board Vice-President. Motion passed by voice vote.

Voice vote called. Burket, Burkett, Eckley, Gergely, Knisely, Repko, and Knott for Gergely (7 votes). Musselman for Eckley (1 vote).

Motion by Burket, seconded by Eckley, to approve the minutes for the November 9, 2016, meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Gergely, to approve all December bills, with lists to be presented at the January meeting. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Repko, to accept the resignation of Ronnette Kranik from her position as paraprofessional. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Repko, to approve the appointment of Jodi Emeigh to the position of paraprofessional for 2 hours/day at a beginning rate of \$7.25 per hour. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Ms. Benjamin asked for public comment before consideration of additions to the agenda. There were no public comments.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Gergely, to approve the addition of Ronette Kranik to the list of non-instructional substitutes. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Gergely, to deny Grievance # 2016-1 received from The Claysburg-Kimmel Education Association. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Musselman, to adopt a new evaluation instrument for the Superintendent beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Eckley, seconded by Repko, to approve the additions to the List of Approved Volunteers, updated to include: Gloria McMinn, Leanne Moore, Sandra Swope, Kim Benton, and Brittany Diehl (all PTO). Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Musselman, to invite both respondents to our Request for Proposals for Energy Audit Services to the January Work Session to make presentations to the Board. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Eckley, to approve the MOU between Blair County Children, Youth, and Families and CKSD for Foster Care Youth Transportation, subject to any necessary or required revisions. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Burkett, to approve the Budget Transfer for the MakerSpace program. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Burket, seconded by Eckley, to approve the Treasurer's Report for November. Motion unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Mr. Musselman asked for an update on the 2016-2017 budget at the January meeting.

Mr. Burket provided an update on legislative happenings.

Mrs. Repko reported that the GACTC did not meet in November.

Mr. Hall gave his Elementary Principal's report (attached).

Mr. Puskar gave his Secondary Principal's report (attached).

Ms. Boyd gave her Federal Programs report (attached).

Ms. Boyd gave her Superintendent's report (attached). Ms. Boyd shared the December, 2016, Claysburg-Kimmel School District Newsletter. This letter will be sent home with students and also be available on the website and the Facebook page. Ms. Boyd also discussed a "Dear Colleague" letter received from PDE Secretary Rivera.

Under Old Business, Ms. Boyd reported that Martin Beisinger is completing his survey for the feasibility study. Mr. Parks would like to meet with the Buildings & Grounds Committee after January 1st.

Ms. Boyd provided an update on competitive grants.

Mr. Knott announced that the Board held an executive session, prior to this meeting, for the purpose of discussing labor relations and personnel.

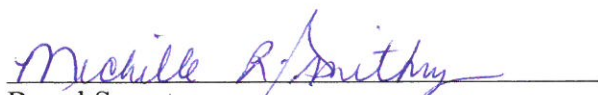
Dr. Eckley asked for an update/presentation regarding student grouping at the next board meeting.

Under New Business, Mr. Musselman asked and Ms. Boyd explained how the District uses social media to communicate with students and parents. Mr. Musselman asked about the possibility of creating a supplemental position to manage our social media.

The Board asked that the administration work with Mr. Trexler to put together a presentation/plan/document for collaborating.

Motion by Knisely to provide Mr. Trexler an hour to meet with our students. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Burkett, seconded by Burket, to adjourn at 9:30 pm.


Board Secretary