

Vision Statement

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ELMWOOD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #322

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board of Education

June 23, 2021

High School Auditorium

301 W. Butternut

6:00 PM Board Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Dr. Dean Cantu called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL – Dean Cantu, Tom Conklin, Mark Davis, Claude Keefer, Val Ramirez, Katie Vaughan, Kevin Windish

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kevin Windish.

3. **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** – Jenni Davis

4. **PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE ON AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

5. **ACTION ITEMS-CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mark Davis, seconded by Tom Conklin, to approve the following consent agenda items as amended:

- A. *Minutes of Regular & Closed Session Board Meetings, 5/24/21
- B. *Approval of Bills, Payroll, and Additional Bills
- C. *Approval of Treasurer's Report
- D. *Approval of Activity Reports
- E. ~~*Personnel – Dismissal/Employment/Retirement/Leaves of Absences~~ PULLED
- F. *Approval of Insurance Policy for 2021-22 with Unland Companies for \$90,109.00
- G. *Approval of Agreement for Elementary HVAC Engineering Services with Keith Engineering and Design for a cost of \$110,000.00

Cantu – yes; Conklin – yes; Davis – yes; Keefer – yes; Ramirez – yes; Vaughan – yes; Windish – yes
Motion Carried 7-0

6. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS** – None

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Dr. Wagner, Superintendent, reported on the following items:

- A. FY 2021 End of Year Projection. We ended up having another year “in the black,” with overall positive gains realized in all the Operations Funds (Ed, O&M, Transportation, & Working Cash). A Final, FY21 report will be generated and presented at the July 2021 meeting.
- B. Administrator Reports

MRS. MARCY BRUGGER, ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL
CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND ASSESSMENT

- K-4 Summer School has concluded. We had a great turnout of students. Thank you to Mrs. Blum, Ms. Coppernoll, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. McFall, Mrs. Coulter, and Ms. Thompson for teaching our K-4 Summer School this year.
- 5-6 Summer School will conclude on June 25th. Thank you to Mrs. Watts and Ms. Harris for teaching our 5-6 Summer School this year.

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STAFF/STUDENTS

- Registration details will be shared after July 1st with families.
- Mrs. Little and I participated in a Eureka Math professional development session to help with the implementation of our new Eureka Math curriculum.

ACTIVITIES

- Summer running began June 7th. Mrs. Herridge has another great number of students participating.
- Thank you to all of our coaches for holding camps, open gyms, summer leagues, and practices for our students.

MAINTENANCE

- The custodian crew continues to make great progress throughout the building. Thank you for your hard work.

DATES

- Teacher Institute 8/16/21
- First Day of School 8/17/21

MR. McCOY, JR./SR. HIGH PRINCIPAL

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND ASSESSMENT

- The initial IAR data has been released and I'll put together a presentation for the Education Committee.

WORKSHOPS

- Junior High Summer School started June 14th and will continue through June 25th to address deficiencies in our core curriculum. The teachers have been pleased with the efforts put forth by the students.
- On June 2nd, I attended the virtual workshop presented by the ROE, ICC, and the Emerging Workforce Alliance to hear updates on the PaCE framework. This will help us in submitting College and Career Readiness data to the state.

ACTIVITIES/FACILITY

- Summer maintenance and cleaning is progressing nicely through the JH/HS. Joe and his crew have many of the classrooms completed and have been utilizing Wednesday's for outdoor projects.
- The JH/HS staff celebrated a successful school year by leading the students in a Breakout Box activity on 5/26 and then having outdoor games, bingo, and dodgeball games on 5/27.
- IHSA Baseball, softball, and track seasons have all come to a close.

DATES

August 11- New Staff Orientation

August 16- Teacher In-Service

August 17- First Day for Students

8. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OR ADMINISTRATION – None

9. COMMUNICATIONS – A great many thank-you cards were given to the BOE from staff showing their appreciation for the gift cards given at the end of FY21 for keeping us in school and safe during the pandemic.

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- 10. CLOSED SESSION** – For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public to determine its validity 5 ILCS 120/2c (1)

A motion was made by Tom Conklin, seconded by Katie Vaughan, to go into Closed Session at 6:27 PM.

Cantu – yes; Conklin – yes; Davis – yes; Keefer – yes; Ramirez – yes; Vaughan – yes; Windish – yes
Motion Carried 7-0

A motion was made by Tom Conklin, seconded by Claude Keefer, to go back into Open Session at 6:49 PM.
Motion carried on a voice vote.

11. ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Mark Davis, seconded by Claude Keefer to approve the following:

- E. *Personnel – Resignation/Dismissal/Employment/Leaves of Absences
- a. Approve the employment of Rachel Whitney as a part-time paraprofessional for the 2021-22 school year at a rate of \$13.00/hr.
 - b. Approve the employment of Amber Burnett as a part-time paraprofessional for the 2021-22 school year at a rate of \$13.00/hr.
 - c. Approve the employment of Steve Herridge as JH Softball Coach at a salary to be determined by the CBA for the 2021-22 school year.
 - d. Approve the employment of Bruce Bouchez as an Elementary 1st shift Custodian for the 2021-22 school year at a rate of \$12.00/hr.

Cantu – yes; Conklin – yes; Davis – yes; Keefer – yes; Ramirez – yes; Vaughan – yes; Windish – yes
Motion Carried 7-0

12. ADJOURNMENT

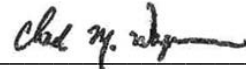
A motion was made by Val Ramirez, seconded by Mark Davis, to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 PM.
Motion carried on a voice vote.



Dr. Dean Cantu, President



Mark Davis, Secretary



Dr. Chad Wagner, Recording Secretary

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