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# MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING – August 18, 2021, 7:30 PM.

The Board of Education of the Reorganized School District R-III of Clinton County, Missouri met on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in the Library of the Middle School, 800 Frost Street, Plattsburg, Missouri. The following were present

Mark Coulter
Keith Carnie
David Dow
Member
Steve Garr
Member
Greg Harris
John Theissen
Sandy Goad
Vice President & Member
Member
Member
Member
Member
Secretary

Also present: Dr. Sandy Steggall, Superintendent; Dr. Rachel Turner; Chris Hodge; Angie Courntey; Gary Murphy; Brandon Burns; Kemper Kellerstrass; Katie Denton; Derek Treichel; Crystal Pryor; Tracia Hofmeister; Austin Boyd; Reid Windmeyer; Travis Day; Heather Wilkinson; Shonna Harris; Jamey Honeycutt; Stephanie Day; Brice Wade; Corey Wilkinson; Nick Wade and other community members..

### The Agenda was reviewed.

ACTION I: John Theissen moved to approve the agenda. Steve Garr seconded the

motion. Vote: 6-0.

# ACTION II:

Greg Harris moved to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Items A through J:

- A. Approve Minutes of July, 21, 2021 Regular Meeting.
- B. Approve Minutes of August 11, 2021 Special Meeting
- C. Approve August Bills
- D. Approve Tuition Rate (\$11,952.00)
- E. Adopt Conflict of Interest Policy G-270-P
- F. Approve Contract Cameron Regional Athletic Trainer
- G. Approve Student Handbooks
- H. Approve Compliance Plan
- I. Approve Transfer of Funds from Fund 1 to Fund II to Cover Deficit
- J. Approve Holding Closed Session Meeting at Next Regular Meeting or any Special Session held prior to the Next Regular Meeting Pursuant to 610.021 RSMO., Subsections 1, 2, 3, 6, 13, and 14.

The motion was seconded by Keith Carnie. Vote: 6-0.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Coulter asked Corey Wilkinson to lead the pledge.

#### **Public Comment**

Mark Coulter stated that three people had signed up to speak during Public Comment. He stated

that each person will be given 3 minutes each to speak.

Katie Denton spoke regarding her views against having a mask mandate. Austin Boyd spoke regarding his views of why he feels we should have a mask mandate. Shonna Harris spoke regarding her views against having a mask mandate.

Derek Treichel spoke saying he would be interested in filling the board vacancy. Mark Coulter stated the details of that would be made available later in the meeting.

### Superintendent's Report

# Facility Update

Dr. Steggall updated the board on the baseball field and softball field. She then gave an update on HVAC units as well as the high school roof. Dr. Steggall stated that the parking lots will be completed over the next two weekends.

## Start of School Updates

Dr. Steggall reviewed enrollment at all levels. She stated that Ellis had 24 new students with 10 transferring out; Middle School had 5 new students with 3 transferring out; and the High School had 14 new students with 5 transferring out. Dr. Steggall stated that enrollment on the last day of school was 658 and it is currently at 689.

### **Old Business**

### Return to School Plan

Dr. Steggall stated that the Return to School plan was included in the packet. She passed out an updated chart on quarantine for COVID. She recommends following CDC and local health dept guidelines Masks are mandatory on busses and optional for inside schools. Discussion took place regarding the topic. Steve Garr spoke regarding his views on amending the RTS plan to mandate masks

ACTION III: Keith Carnie moved to approve the Return to School Plan. Greg Harris seconded the motion. (no vote taken at this time)

Keith Carnie spoke regarding that he feels the current plan should stay in place with no changes to the plan and to follow the health department guidelines not mandating masks.

Discussion took place regarding mask mandates among the board members.

ACTION IV: John Theissen moved to amend the plan to require masks for the 1st 30 days. (no second, no vote taken at this time)

Additional discussion took place regarding having a mask mandate. Discussion took place by possibly going by percentages of county wide infection rates of students 0-17 to determine masks mandates.

ACTION V: David Dow moved to amend the plan to add the mask requirement if we hit 5% positive rates in the county on the ages of 0-17 or the district

reaches 5% positive of students. Keith Carnie seconded the motion.

ACTION VI: Steve Garr moved to amend the amendment that the mandatory masking

be reviewed every 30 days. John Theissen seconded the motion.

Vote: 2 - 4.

Vote on Action V: 4-2

David Dow moved to approve the Return to School Plan as amended. ACTION VII:

> Keith Carnie seconded the motion. Vote: 4-2.

### Staff COVID Leave

Dr. Steggall stated the resolution allowed staff to have up to 10 days of COVID leave and would not be penalized to use sick leave. This includes if the staff member has to be quarantined due to COVID or a family member is and needs care.

ACTION VIII: Keith Carnie moved to approve the Staff Covid Leave proposal as

> presented. Greg Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Evaluations**

Dr. Steggall stated that a new evaluation system will be used this school year. She reviewed the details of the plan.

Keith Carnie moved to approve the new evaluation system as presented. ACTION IX:

> Steve Garr seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0.

#### **Board Vacancy Process**

Dr. Steggall stated the Board Vacancy would need to be published for 2 weeks. She stated that there is an application and an interview process. Dr. Steggall stated that the applications received would be sent to the board members before the September meeting.

### Special Meeting for Tax Rate / Budget

Dr. Steggall stated a special board meeting to set the tax rate and approve a final budget would be August 26, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

ACTION X: David Dow moved to go into Closed Session. Keith Carnie seconded the

motion.

Ave: Coulter, Dow, Garr, Harris. Carnie, Theissen Nay: n/a Vote: 6-0.

MARK COULTER, VICE-PRESIDENT SANDY GOAD, SECRETARY

APPROVED: