Regular Meeting
Of the
Board of Education
Community Unit School District No. 20
Lawrence/Crawford Counties, Illinois
February 24, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Community Unit School District No. 20, was held Wednesday, February 24, 2021, at Lawrenceville High School cafeteria. President Doodle Seitzinger called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present:

Kyle Gray

Shane Gray

T.J. Pargin Doodle Seitzinger

Andy Shick (remotely)

Kenny Waller

Members Absent:

Ron Waldrop

A motion by Doodle Seitzinger, seconded by T.J. Pargin, to appoint Kyle Gray as acting Secretary due to Ron Waldrop's absence. All members present voted age. Motion carried.

Also present were: Superintendent Doug Daugherty; Principals Julie Hayes and Jeremy Brush; Asst. Principal Greg Wood; Tech Coordinator Brandon Stewart; teachers, and members of the news media.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda

A motion by Shane Gray, seconded by Kenny Waller, to approve the Agenda. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

A motion by Kyle Gray, seconded by T.J. Pargin, to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call vote: Shane Gray, aye; T.J. Pargin, aye; Doodle Seitzinger, aye; Andy Shick, aye; Kenny Waller, aye; Kyle Gray, aye. Motion carried.

Recognition and Comments of Employees and Public

None

Correspondence

Thank you note from Brandt Cochran thanking the district for the opportunity to substitute teach at Parkview Junior High School.

Old Business

None

New Business

Administrative Reports

Parkside

- Parkside's Student Lighthouse Team had their first meeting.
- January 25th, "Open Computer Lab" began from 1:00-3:00 for at-risk students.
- During February, we will be focusing on Habit #6 Synergize.
- February 1st- Fifth-grade contracts went into effect for those with low grades.
- On February 3rd Katie Kiser held a webinar for Parkside on Using Google Calendar for Conferences.
- February 5th was midterm.
- February 8th-11th Parkside's Leadership Events Team planned "Kindness Week,"
- February 11th and 12th- Parent/Teacher Conferences held via Google meets or phone.
- February 15th- Presidents' Day (No School)
- February 18th, a progress meeting will be held with Franklin Covey.
- Grade levels will continue to meet.
- March 1st- Leader in Me Spring Community Learning

Parkview

- Parent/Teacher conferences were held on Thursday, Feb. 11 and Friday, Feb. 12.
 This semester we had all of our core teachers by grade level call
 parents/guardians that have signed up on our Google Meets calendar that was
 shared to parents. If they could not open the calendar we also sent a message
 instructing them to call the office and we would get them a time. (This of course
 is subject to change with the weather, report typed prior to conference dates).
- The 5 Essentials survey is now open. Information has been placed on the website and a school-wide email was sent to parents. Our staff has been working to complete the survey. We will set up times for our students to complete the survey in March.
- Sports are back into their season. Currently in session:

- o 7/8 boys basketball until March 12
- 7/8 volleyball until March 12
- Scholastic Bowl first match March 16
- o 7/8 girls basketball open gyms
- o 5/6 open gyms games TBD
- o Track signups are in the office
- This year spectators are limited to 50 per game. We are treating 7th and 8th grade game nights as their own games. 50 tickets are distributed evenly to our 7th grade and 50 more to our 8th grade. Tickets are white for the 7th grade and red for the 8th grade. After the 7th grade game, the gym is cleared out and then spectators with red tickets may enter. If you do not have a ticket you may not enter. Free streaming for the games may be viewed at our Parkview Junior High Braves Athletics Facebook page. I send this information out each game day via text and on our website. Fans are not allowed in gyms of our opposition. They may stream the games. This information is given to the schools and public ahead of time.
- Illinois Assessment of Readiness testing will still be given. The state is applying for a waiver for it this year. However, at the time of this writing no waiver has been granted. We must also test our remote learners. They are wanting 95% participation on the test. The school leadership team is meeting to try to create a schedule.
- Parkview School Leadership Team came up with the following incentives for improving scores on the Illinois Assessment of Readiness this past school year and will continue to offer these incentives for performance on this year's assessment:
 - o Increase score from previous year
 - Homework Pass
 - Bump up score on 1 test
 - Drop lowest grade
 - o Increase a level overall
 - Personal Day the following year if a student increases from 1 level to the other, they will get to use a personal day and miss school. They would have to apply for it ahead of time with the office and parents/guardians must sign off on it. This would be an excused absence from school
 - If previous year was a Level 4 or 5 and you maintain, you also receive the personal day incentive.

Lawrenceville High School

- o LHS winter sports season has begun. Boys and Girls Basketball has started. LHS is following IDPH and IHSA protocols.
- o IHSA Sport Schedule
 - Boys and Girls Basketball Now through March 13th.
 - Football- March 19th- April 24th
 - Volleyball March 15th- April 24th
 - Baseball, Softball, Track April 5th June 19th
 - Wrestling April 26th- June 12th
 - Cheerleading State Series is March 6 and 12th
- o IHSA is considering a state series for Spring Sports.
- LHS Beta Club has nine students who will be participating in the virtual Beta Convention this year. They will take academic tests virtually and submit photos of their projects for virtual judging.
- Mrs. Kiser's English I classes are working with Ms. Fitzgerald and Samantha
 Gaither from the University of Illinois Extension office to implement the "Your
 Thoughts Matter Program." It is a six-session series of lessons that focus on
 understanding mental health and empathy. The program began the first week in
 February and will finish the first week of March. We are the first school in the
 state to pilot this material.
- The 5 Essentials survey is now open. LHS has sent letters home to parents and will be working with students and staff to complete the survey.
- LHS has seven students who are attending the OSHA 10 Safety training sponsored by the Twin Rivers Cooperative. The training is conducted by Marathon.
- On Friday, February 5th, LHS had thirteen students participate in the Academic Challenge. This year they competed virtually. In a normal year, this contest is at Olney Central College. I should have results for the March Board meeting.

Superintendent, Doug Daugherty

- 8 snow days have been used this school year
 - o 5 must be made up
 - o 3 Act of God day
- End of school year is now May 28 (Friday)
- Thank you to custodians for all of their hard work during snow storms
- Health Department coming on Friday from 1-3 to give 2nd COVID Shot
 - o Doing all on Friday in case of illness from the shot
 - o Also doing drive thru clinic this Saturday for the community
- Bond money has been approved and is in our possession

Action Items

Approval of LHS Curriculum Guide

Approval of LHS curriculum guide was tabled until Principal Paul Higginbotham arrives at the meeting.

Approval of seeking bus bids

A motion by Doodle Seitzinger, seconded by Kenny Waller, **to approve seeking bus bids** for the 2021-2022 school year. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of LHS graduation date

A motion by Kyle Gray, seconded by Kenny Waller, to approve the LHS graduation date of May 23, 2021. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of summer softball fundraiser

A motion by Doodle Seitzinger, seconded by Kyle Gray, **to approve summer softball fundraiser.** All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Executive Session

A motion by Shane Gray, seconded by T.J. Pargin, to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, such as: resignations, employment of personnel, posting of positions, Superintendent's contract as per 5ILSC 120/2 of Illinois School Code. Roll vote: T.J. Pargin, aye, Doodle Seitzinger, aye; Andy Shick, aye; Kenny Waller, aye; Kyle Gray, aye; Shane Gray, aye. Motion carried and the meeting closed for executive session at 7:29 p.m.

A motion by Shane Gray, seconded by T.J. Pargin, to reconvene to open session. All members present voted aye, and the meeting reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

A motion by Doodle Seitzinger, seconded by T.J. Pargin, to approve the proposed LHS Curriculum Guide for the 2021-2022 school year. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion by T.J. Pargin, seconded by Kenny Waller, **to accept the resignation of Brandt Cochran, Parkview full-time substitute teacher.** All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion by Doodle Seitzinger, seconded by Shane Gray, to **post the positions of Special Education Secretary and Elementary Social Worker.** All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion by Kenny Waller, seconded by Shane Gray, to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

President

Secretary