

MINUTES March 18, 2021
Flanagan-Cornell Unit District #74 Board of Education
7:30 p.m. – High School Business Room

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order: The Unit #74 board meeting was held March 18, 2021 in the High School Business Room and was called to order by President Harms at 7:31 p.m. Board Member Cooper was absent. Interim Superintendent Farris, Mr. Yoder and Mr. Hansen were present for the administration. Teacher Representatives were Amanda Gordon and Tracy Harlan. Lauren Mays was present in the audience.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Agenda: President Harms requested that Agenda Items 6 B, C & D be moved to Executive Session. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Member Faber, second by Member Vollmer. Unanimously passed by voice vote.

Agenda Item 3 – Communication from Audience: None.

Agenda Item 4 – Board Communications: President Harms reported on the Corn Belt Division Meeting.

Agenda Item 5 – Consent Agenda: Regular, Special and Executive Session meeting minutes from February, February's Treasurer's Report and March Disbursements were approved. Motion to accept by Member Kreush, second by Member Faber. Passed unanimously by call of the roll.

Agenda Item 6 – Action Items:

6A: Approval of IHSA and IESA Membership was presented. Member VanderVeen made a motion that the memberships be renewed, second by Member Vollmer. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

6B: Tenure for Lexi Heins (HS English) and Candace Tresnak (HS Chemistry/Physics) was presented. Member VanderVeen made a motion to offer tenure to Heins and Tresnak, second by Member Faber. Passed unanimously by voice vote. Recommendation for rehiring non-tenured staff was presented. Member VanderVeen made a motion to rehire Laura Kniss(Art), Kellie Bullard (1st grade), Danielle Donovan (Prek), Patrick Lynch (PE/DE), Lucas Mays (HS social studies), Elizabeth Reasoner (HS Spanish), Jennifer Schneider (Speech) and Alix Summers (HS SE), Austin Dutko (HS SE) second by Member Faber. Passed unanimously by voice vote. A salary/benefits package for Brian Albertson (IT) was presented. Member VanderVeen made a motion to accept the salary/benefits package for Albertson, second by Member Faber. Passed unanimously by call of the roll.

6C: Discussion was held regarding Kelli Stanley and new responsibilities as Director of Student Activities. Recommendations were made to hire Kari Harms, 4th grade; Ashley Harfst, 6-12 Math; Wyatt Onsen, Vocal Music. Member Weers made a motion to hire Harms (4th grade); Harfst (6-12 Math); Onsen (Vocal Music), second by Member Kreush. Passed unanimously by call of the roll.

6D: Letters of resignation were received from Ryan Donovan, Assistant Football Coach, and Kate Russow, HS Girls Basketball Assistant Coach. Member Weers made a motion to accept the letters of resignation from Donovan and Russow, second by Member Kreush. Passed unanimously by call of the roll. Recommendation to hire Leland Brooke as Assistant Football Coach was presented. Member Weers made a motion to hire Brooke as assistant football coach, second by Member Kreush. Passed unanimously by call of the roll. Volunteer football coaches were presented. Member Vollmer made a motion to accept Ryan Donovan, Matt Gurgone and Chad Hansen as volunteer football coaches, second by Member Kreush. Passed unanimously by voice vote. Ashley Harfst was recommended to be hired as HS Girls Basketball Assistant Coach for '21-'22 and Volunteer JH Girls Basketball Coach now. Member Vollmer made a motion to hire Harfst as HS Girls Basketball Assistant Coach and Volunteer JH Girls Basketball Coach, second by Member VanderVeen. Passed unanimously by voice vote. Extended unpaid maternity leave for Meghan Thorson was presented. Member Faber made a motion to approve extended unpaid maternity leave for Thorson, second by Member Vollmer. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

Agenda Item 7 – New Business:

7A: HS Graduation will be held May 28th and 8th Grade Promotion will be held May 27th.

Agenda Item 8 – Old Business: Superintendent Farris gave an update on the Ag Building Project and Mr. Yoder gave an update on the weight room.

Agenda Item 9 – Informational Reports:

9A: Activity Reports 9B: Principal's Reports

Agenda Item 10 - Executive Session: Member Weers made a motion to enter into executive session at 8:37 p.m., second by Member Kreush. Member Kreush made a motion to exit the executive session at 9:24 p.m., second by Member VanderVeen.

Agenda Item 11 – Committee Reports:

Agenda Item 12 – Recap of Significant Issues – omitted.

Agenda Item 13 – The next regular board meeting will be April 15, 2021 in the High School Business Room at 7:30 p.m. With no further business brought before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn by Member Weers, second by Member Kreush. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Signed this date April 15, 2021

President

Secretary