**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**COOPER COUNTY R-IV SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Regular Session, March 17, 2020**

**Members Present Members Absent**

Anna Kahle –President

Ashley Benny – Vice-President

Elizabeth Dick – Secretary

Justin Hein – Treasurer

Brian Arnold – Member

Tim Brandes – Member

Robin Saylor – Member

Dr. Anderson – Superintendent

Mrs. Jessica Huth – Principal

Mr. Brian Emde – Activities Director

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1. The Cooper County R-IV Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Anna Kahle at 6:30 PM.
2. Motion made by Justin Hein to approve the agendas for the March 17, 2020, Regular and Executive Sessions.

Motion seconded by Brian Arnold.

Yeas: 6 (Anna Kahle, Elizabeth Dick, Justin Hein, Brian Arnold, Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion Carried: Yes

1. Motion made by Justin Hein to approve the minutes for the Special Regular and Executive Sessions from March 05, 2020.

Motion seconded by Tim Brandes.

Yeas: 6 (Anna Kahle, Elizabeth Dick, Justin Hein, Brian Arnold, Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion Carried: Yes

1. **Public Comment:** Rebecca Ray
2. **Approval of the Bills**

Motion made by Justin Hein to approve the current bills.

Motion seconded by Brian Arnold.

Yeas: 6 (Anna Kahle, Elizabeth Dick, Justin Hein, Brian Arnold, Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion Carried: Yes

1. **Reports:**
2. Title I/Gifted Program (Dragons Aim High) - Tammy Ray
3. The program services both math and reading for Kindergarten - 6th grade. Students in preK- 6th grade were given Fun in a Bag with activities and a new book in lieu of Family Fun Nights cancelled due to Covid-19. Three students returned the bags and were awarded prizes for participation. Some students have improved well enough to be progress monitored out of the program.
4. Title I has renewed a subscription to Super Teacher which provides worksheets and is shared with other teachers in the elementary to supplement classroom materials. Gifted Program: Due to no state testing during spring 2020, eligibility for the 2020-2021 gifted program was based on SRI (Reading level) and SMI (Math level) assessment results. There are eleven students, 2nd-7th grades, in the program working on STEM projects. Presentations will be videoed and posted on the district website and Facebook pages.

Vice-President Ashley Benny arrived.

1. Track/Business - Chris Harriman
2. 13 students are participating in track. He requests some gravel for the makeshift track. The shot put and discus toe-board is complete.
3. The business class has produced some news clips and various episodes using iPads. He requests consideration of a new business text with current management platforms. The text used at this time is from 2008. Optionally, obtain enough iPads for the class to load free, online textbooks through Apple University, which update regularly.
4. Softball - Dustin Ray
5. 9 girls are participating in softball with the season starting next Monday, March 22. He purchased 3 dozen softballs and the new fence still needs to be set.
6. 4th-6th grade students will participate in the Annual California Lions Club Track Meet on Friday, May 7.
7. Dustin Ray and Chris Harriman have created a YouTube channel for use with the Huddle.
8. Maintenance Report - Bill Moser
9. Bus inspections are next week; two buses will need repairs; the four-wheeler is fixed.
10. Vestibule keys are now matched with other locks in the building. Nightwatch will add cameras to the vestibule and old gym.
11. Gravel for the parking lot will be brought in closer to graduation; grasses around the gym will be trimmed.
12. Discussion regarding the remainder of the roofing project.
13. Received certificates of sanitization for IT equipment disposal.
14. Activities Director’s Report/Assistant Principal - Brian Emde
15. He proposed doing one Saturday school in April for students close to missing too many class hours.
16. Updated curriculum by teachers must be turned into the office before checking out in May.
17. Scholar bowl participants are doing well and have placed in meets. 7th and 8th Grade students participated in Math Contest and placed; posted on Facebook and the district website.
18. CCAA Music Contest did occur with the judges traveling to the schools, due to Covid-19; no MSHSAA contests will be held this year.
19. Samples of textbooks have been ordered for Math and English, with the additional possibility of Business. Costs will be compared between a traditional textbook vs. Apple University using iPad mini's from another department, and investigate if there is anything similar for use with Chromebooks.
20. 11 students qualifying for the state archery contest will be going to Branson.
21. Booster Club will hold the Dodgeball Tourney on Saturday, March 20 with 11 teams participating.
22. Prom is Saturday, April 24; Awards Banquet is Sunday, May 2.
23. Prairie Home has lights for their baseball field, but are not operational.
24. He reported the Co-Op meeting held on March 15 discussion included the Bunceton and Prairie Home schools alternating, yearly, hosting Senior Night (the hosting school will purchase basketballs) and an athletic banquet. Each school would independently host academic banquets. Bunceton BOE discussion included the need for Prairie Home's banquet organizers to meet with Bunceton's, and the request Bunceton holds the first Senior Night.
25. Discussion regarding Co-Op mascot and the intended survey to be presented to the two communities; do not include an option for "other" suggestions.
26. Discussion regarding Huddle cameras.
27. Principal’s Report - Jessica Huth
28. Teachers are continuing work on curriculum and updated substitute folders.
29. State testing scheduled for April 26 - May 7.
30. Finals scheduled for May 10.
31. Diplomas were reordered with May 15 date and A1 Rental contacted regarding date change. She will see about getting chair covers and sashes removed from the rental agreement.
32. Elementary Awards Assembly scheduled for May 18, 9 AM.

**VII. Financial Report – February 2020**

Superintendent Dr. Anderson reported:

Beginning Balance: $1,770,747.61 General Fund (1) $1,497,571,63

Total Receipts: $ 122,767.89 Teachers’ Fund (2) $ 206,609.59

Total Expenditures: $ 179,247.57 Debt Fund (3) $ 0.00

Total Cash on Hand: $1,714,267.93 Capital Projects (4) $ 10,086.00

She will investigate if insurance will cover the new Kajeets.

**VIII. Old Business**

A. Salary Schedule

Motion made by Justin Hein to allow new to district teachers to bring in all years of prior teaching experience and review current staff salaries beginning 2021-2022 school year.

Motion seconded by Robin Saylor.

Yeas: 7 (Anna Kahle, Ashley Benny, Elizabeth Dick, Justin Hein, Brian Arnold, Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

B. February Bus Ridership

Motion made by Ashley Benny to approve the February bus ridership as presented.

Motion seconded by Brian Arnold.

Yeas: 7 (Anna Kahle, Ashley Benny), Elizabeth Dick, Justin Hein, Brian Arnold, Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

**IX. New Business**

A. 2021-2022 Calendar Choices

B. E-Rate Grant Proposal: Midwest Computech grant is $50,000 and is a five year grant. Discussion tabled until research is conducted regarding the use/need for iPads for Business classes.

C. MEUHP Insurance Renewal: Tabled until reorganization meeting to allow Dr. Anderson time to explore other insurance options and request bids.

D. Ice Cream Purchase for Academic Banquet

Motion made by Justin Hein to purchase ice cream for the May 2 Awards Banquet.

Motion seconded by Robin Saylor.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

**X. Monthly Meeting**

Reorganization meeting is set for April 13, 6:30 PM.

The next regular monthly meeting will be on April 20, 6:30 PM.

**XI. Adjourn to Executive Session**

Board President, Anna Kahle, entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting.

Motion made by Tim Brandes to adjourn the Regular Session meeting.

Motion seconded by Robin Saylor.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: 7 (Anna Kahle, Ashley Benny, Elizabeth Dick,Justin Hein,Brian Arnold,Tim Brandes, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 0

Motion Carried: Yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

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