*Regular Meeting*

*Of the*

*Board of Education*

*Community Unit School District No. 20*

*Lawrence/Crawford Counties, Illinois*

*July 15, 2021*

*A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Community Unit School District 20, was held Wednesday, July 15, 2021 at Parkview Junior High School Cafeteria. President TJ Pargin called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.*

*Members present: Kyle Gray*

*Dana Goodwin*

*Mike Seitzinger*

*Ron Waldrop*

*Kenny Waller*

*Reese Ivers*

*T.J. Pargin*

*Members absent: None*

*Also present were: Superintendent Doug Daugherty; Principals Paul Higginbotham, Amber Ochs, Julie Hayes; Technology Coordinator Brandon Stewart; members of the news media and general public.*

***Pledge of Allegiance***

***Agenda***

*A motion Mike Seitzinger, seconded by Kyle Gray, to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

***Consent Agenda***

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by TJ Pargin, to approve the consent agenda. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

***Recognition and Comments of Employees and General Public***

*No comments.*

***Correspondence***

*None*

***Old Business of the Board of Education***

*None*

***New Business of the Board of Education***

***Administrative Reports***

**Parkside**

* Summer school has come to an end. Thank you to all who helped make it a success.
* Custodians have completed the third-grade wing except for construction areas. The west side hall is top scrubbed, and the east hallway will be finished by the middle of next week. The cafeteria will be emptied, and top scrubbed this week. All bathrooms are finished, and wing carpets will be cleaned next week.
* The Illinois State Board of Education accepted the Pre-K Continuous Quality Improvement Plan (CQIP).
* July 20th, our Parkside Faculty Lighthouse Team will meet to prepare for next year's 7 Habits Action Team plan.
* Planning is currently taking place for the August 16th and 17th Professional Development Days.

Kenny Waller asked if there was any issues within the building that needs fixed. Principal Hayes stated there is no air in the gym or part of the library at this time. They are working on that to be fixed once parts are in.

**Parkview**

* Custodians have been working diligently on preparing the building for August. . On line registration will begin on Monday, July 26, 2021.
* Parkview PBIS team will be participating in the LHS carnival on August 14, 2021.
* Parkview Junior High "Back to School Bash" will be held on August 17, 2021. The building will be open for both parents and students to tour the building. Classrooms will not be open but a tour of the school will be with Administrators. Students can then swim with their friends at the pool as a “BACK TO SCHOOL Parkview Junior High Bash."
* New orientation for teachers (If any) will be on Monday, August 9, 2021 for Parkview*.*
* Teachers will to school 2 days of workshops on August 16 and 17.
* 1st day of school will be August 18. 1st day will be a PBIS expectations day with activities in afternoon. Softball and baseball are preparing for their upcoming season. This year Parkview will hold the IESA Softball regional tournament.
* The regional tournament schedule is as follows: Day 1 - September 8 or 9 ā?" Quarterfinals\* Day 2 - September 11 - Semifinals Day 3 - September 14 - Championship \*the quarterfinal game will take place at the site of the higher-seeded team, that higher-seeded team is responsible for contracting the officials (both schools will pay $60 this cost). The quarterfinal game should take place on September 8 or 9. For all regional quarterfinal games, the home team is the higher-seeded team and that school is responsible for contracting and hiring two (2) IHSA-licensed officials.
* Updates to Parkview Junior High School Handbook Changes; Update Principal Letter Chromebook Fee $30.00

Kenny Waller asked if there was any issues within the building that needs fixed. Principal Ochs stated she was still working on learning everything. Superintendent Daugherty stated issues were the same as last month as the hot water was still not working and issues to fix would include dealing with asbestos to fix. The work is in process.

**LHS**

* Summer School ended on June 30th. LHS had 47 students participate. One student completed the required classes to earn their high school diploma. 65 Half credits (semester credits) were earned by 47 students. I would like to thank Mr. Metz, Mr. Norton, Mr. Danielsen, Mrs. Eagleson and Mrs. Stewart made it a successful summer school session.
* LHS gym floor refinishing started on July 7th.
* Custodial staff continues to prepare the building for students to return.
* Freshman Orientation will be Thursday August 12th at 6:00 in the LHS auditorium.
* Saturday August 14th. LHS is planning a community carnival at Ed Loeb Field. Clubs, teams and other groups are being encouraged to host booths. At dusk, the LHS Student Council will host a movie night.
* On Monday August 16th, the FCA will be hosting a back to school block party at LHS in the visitor parking lot from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Free food and entertainment.

Kenny Waller asked if there was any issues within the building that needs fixed. Principal Higginbotham stated compressors have been replaced that was discussed last board meeting. A few leaks are being corrected from the roofing contractors that were the original installers.

**Superintendent**

* The second covid grant is $1.6 million and being divided by purchasing of buses, permanent subs, online programs, water fountains, and a new drivers ed car. We are adding a school nurse, social worker, and another full time custodian to Parkview. The start of planning for the third covid grant is going on as well.
* Registration begins online July 26-30th. New students must come in for the first year to discuss medical records with the nurse. That will be open the first week of August.

***Action Items***

1. *Approval of Safety Hazards as Currently Defined by IDOT;*

Superintendent Daugherty stated the state gives standards we must follow for bus pickup and high school students are not allowed to be picked up within a certain area. A point system is used by age. (<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/safety_busing_instruct.pdf>)

*A motion made by Mike Seitzinger, with a second by TJ Pargin; all members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

1. *Approval of Parkview Junior High School handbook;*

Chromebook fees have changed from $25 to $30. Principal’s letter is updated.

*A motion made by Dana Goodwin, with a second by Kenny Waller; all members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

1. *Approval of the Lawrence County High School Handbook;*

Principal Higginbotham has highlighted just a few items such as fees that have increased.

*A motion made by TJ Pargin, with a second by Kenny Waller; all members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

1. *Approval of Lawrence County CUSD#20 Reopening Plan;*

Superintendent Daugherty stated this was a discussion and not a vote at this time and stated the following has been handed down;

* Remote learning will not be an option this year unless a student tests positive for covid, put in quarantine, or has medical issues. The state is requesting students attend in person.
* Social distancing was originally set to be six feet apart and now it will be three. Cafeterias will be open back to full capacity.
* Full day attendance will be returned to.
* Lockers and locker rooms with full dress will be opened again.
* Athletic events will be reopened to normal. If we attend visiting communities for games we have to follow their mask policies.
* Masks that were required for those ages two and over, not vaccinated went from must to should. Changes are being made daily so request is to move forward and discuss before school opens to follow mandates. The school will work with local health department throughout the year to make sure if there is an increase in cases or other issues we change as needed.
* Busses are ran by Department of Transportation because they are considered public transportation. Masks are required for drivers, students, and any time a bus is used for extra-curricular events.

Comments;

* A parent stated she wanted to voice her opinion and go on record as stating she feels this should be optional as most kids have went all summer back to normal activities and no issues.
* Kenny Waller stated he felt the item should be voted on tonight.
* Teacher stated she felt it would be hard to police students who is or is not vaccinated to wear a mask.
* Kenny Waller stated two events were held with the gym packed and few were wearing masks and no positive cases were confirmed after.
* Ron Waldrop stated he has received no calls to wear them only calls to not.
* Reese Ivers asked if anyone was on the opposite side and wanted masks enforced. No one had a call for that or comments to wear them. Just let it be optional.
* TJ Pargin stated no comments either way has been made to her.
* Superintendent Daugherty stated bus riders must because funding could be pulled if guidelines were not followed for public transportation. Everyone stated they understood. Kenny Waller stated he understood as Public Transportation is under a different entity.
* Superintendent Daugherty stated he is stating as changes come down the pipeline daily. Olney voted yes, Newton voted no. Changes are still being made by surrounding schools as well.

1. *Approval of Resolution to Governor Pritzker;*

The Governor had issued a resolution on June 11, 2021 for schools to adopt and change wording as needed to show support for safety.

*Kenny Waller made a motion to change date to July 9th lifting regulations and following CDC & IDPH guidelines with local control. Mike Seitzinger made a second; all members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

1. *Approval of the 1st reading of PRESS policies*

*A motion Kyle Gray, seconded by Kenny Waller, to approve the reading of PRESS policies they received a copy of. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.*

1. *Approval of the Parkview/Parkside Coaches’ list*

A motion made by Mike Seitzinger to accept with a second by TJ Pargin. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.

1. *Approval of the dual credit agreement with IECC for 2021-22*

Principal Higginbotham stated they have continued dual credits of health occupations and the CEO program with IECC.

A motion made by Ron Waldrop to accept with a second by TJ Pargin. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.

1. *Approval of officials pay for LHS events*

Tabled

1. *Approval of Bread Bids*

Aunt Millie’s was the accepted bread bid by cost.

A motion made by Mike Seitzinger with a second by Kenny Waller. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried.

1. *Approval of Milk Bid*

Prairie Farms was the accepted bid for milk.

A motion made by Mike Seitzinger with a second by Kenny Waller. All members voted aye. No nay. Motion carried

***Executive Session***

*A motion by Kyle Gray, second by TJ Pargin, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters such as retirements, resignations, non-renewal of staff, change in coaching staff and volunteer coaches, employment of personnel, approval to post positions, and the Superintendents contract, as per 5ILCS 120/2 of the Illinois School Code. Roll call vote: K. Gray, aye; D. Goodwin, aye; T. Pargin, aye; M. Seitzinger, aye; R. Ivers; R. Waldrop, aye; K. Waller, aye. Motion carried and the board went into Executive Session at 8:00p.m.*

*AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION…*

*Mike Seitzinger left at 9pm.*

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by Kyle Gray, to reconvene into open session.  All members voted aye, and the meeting reconvened at 10:00p.m.*

*A motion by TJ Pargin, seconded by Kyle Gray to accept the resignation of Julie Hancock, Parkview RTI Coordinator, effective immediately. Sierra Burgett, Parkside Aide, effective immediately, Samantha Hinderliter, Parkview Nurse, effective immediately. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by Kenny Waller, to hire Parker Rashid as LHS History teacher for 2021/2022 school year.  Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by TJ Pargin, to hire Lance Boldt as LHS PE teacher for 2021/2022 school year.  Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Kyle Gray, seconded by Ron Waldrop, to hire Mary Jo Hittington as Parkside 4th Grade teacher for 2021/2022 school year.  Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Dana Goodwin, seconded by Kyle Gray, to hire Samantha Kiser LHS Aide for 2021/2022 school year. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by TJ Pargin, seconded by Ron Waldrop, to hire Lee Akers as LHS Custodian for 2021/2022 school year.  Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by Dana Goodwin, to hire permanent subs Nick Carruthers, Denise Dickerson, Noah Volkman, and Oliver Large for 2021/2022 school year.  Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*Salaries for permanent subs, sub teachers, sub nurses, Lee Akers, and Shannon Stallings were discussed. A motion made by Kenny Waller, seconded by Kyle Gray was made. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion made by Ron Waldrop, seconded by Dana Goodwin, to post current openings for Nurse, Custodian, Cook, Aides, and Bus Drivers. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion made by Ron Waldrop, seconded by TJ Pargin that no closed session minutes need to be opened. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*Discussed allowing Superintendent, Doug Daugherty to hire staff. A motion was made by Kenny Waller, seconded by Kyle Gray. Roll call vote:  Goodwin, aye: Gray, aye; Ivers, aye; Pargin, aye; Waldrop, aye; Waller, aye.  Motion carried.*

*A motion by Ron Waldrop, seconded by Kyle Gray, to adjourn the meeting.  All members voted aye, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.*

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*President Secretary*