

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COOPER COUNTY R-IV SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Session, April 21,2022**

**Members Present**

Justin Hein - President  
Eliazbeth Dick - Secretary  
Tim Brandes - Member  
David Zimmerman - Member  
Brian Arnold - Treasurer  
Robin Saylor - Member  
Ashley Benny – Vice President  
  
Dr. Kathryn Anderson - Superintendent  
Mrs. Jessica Huth – Primary Principal  
Mr. Brian Emde – Secondary Principal/Activities Director

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- I. The Cooper County R-IV Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Justin Hein at 7:11 P.M.
- II. Motion made by Elizabeth Dick to approve the agendas for the April 21, 2022, Regular and Executive Sessions.  
Motion seconded by Tim Brandes  
Yeas: 7 (Justin Hein, Ashley Benny, Brian Arnold, Elizabeth Dick, Robin Saylor, Tim Brandes, David Zimmerman)  
Nays: 0  
Motion carried: Yes
- III. Motion made by Brian Arnold to approve the minutes from the Reorganization Regular and Executive Sessions from the April 7, 2022.  
Motion seconded by Elizabeth Dick  
Yeas: 7 (Justin Hein, Ashley Benny, Brian Arnold, Elizabeth Dick, Robin Saylor, Tim Brandes, David Zimmerman)  
Nays: 0
- IV. Public Comment: No comment
- V. Approval of Bills  
Motion made by Ashley Benny to approve the monthly bills.  
Motion seconded by Brian Arnold.  
Yeas: 7 (Justin Hein, Ashley Benny, Brian Arnold, Elizabeth Dick, Robin Saylor, Tim Brandes, David Zimmerman)  
Nays: 0
- VI. Reports
  - A. Salary and Welfare Committee – Jeannie Tuttle  
She reported that the raises received for 2021-2022 school year were much appreciated. The Committee would like to see personal days increased from 10 – 12

days per school year for the 2022-2023 school year. Staff Appreciation will be the week of May 2, 2022. The Board of Education will provide lunch on May 4, 2022. The committee will provide small treats throughout the week.

B. Art and Art Club - Jessica Gutierrez

She reported that there are lots of artwork that line the Fine Arts hallway. So far this school year Ceramics Class has worked on windchimes and chia pets, Art Class has worked on Bells and Coffee Mugs. Grades 3-6 have worked with air dry clay. Middle School Art worked on "American Gothic" (farmer and his daughter) artwork. They currently are working with ceramic clay. Mrs. Gutierrez would like more shelves for her classroom to hold more artwork, a spray booth for clear coating ceramics, and tablets and a stylus for a Digital Art Class. Dr. Anderson stated that she may be able to secure funding for the tablets from a Connectivity Grant. She thought that she could get \$400.00 per tablet. Mrs. Gutierrez is currently holding art club every other week due to conflicting schedules with students. Next year she would like to hold Art Club once a month in the evening for students of all grade levels that would like to come with their parents. Isabella Vaca received the Senate Art Exhibit award. Mrs. Gutierrez, Isabella Vaca, Mr. Emde and Mr. Herriman traveled to Jefferson City, where Isabella was recognized on the House floor by Mr. Tim Taylor. They then toured the Missouri State Capitol and met Senator Caleb Rowden. Isabella also won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the CCAA Art Show. Kenny Mallot won 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Cheyenne Davis won Honorable Mention in the CCAA Art Show as well.

C. Track and Softball - Brian Emde for Mr. Schroeder and Coach Braby

He reported that track and softball have had more events cancelled or delayed due to rain than they have actually participated in. Softball has played 4 or 11 games scheduled. They have a record of 1 – 3. Softball has 6 players from Bunceton and 4 players from Prairie Home. All of the players have a positive attitude. They all are hitting the ball well. Senior Night is scheduled for Tuesday, May, 3, 2022. Coach Braby would like to be able to purchase 2 Bownet Hit Kits @ \$282.00/pc. for next year.

Track has had several events postponed due to rain. There was an athlete that placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in his or her first career meet. Mr. Schroeder would like sidewalls for the canopy to be purchased for future track meets. The school did purchase a Javelin for the track program last month. Mr. Schroeder also requests indoor shotputs to be used in the old gym, a rubber track runway for long and triple jump practice and a separate concrete pad and throwing ring for discus and shotput practice.

D. Maintenance – Bill Moser

He reported that the stereo system is working fine now that they have taken out of the wooden box. It was overheating in the wooden box. All teachers have smartboards that work now. He also reported bids for a new cooler for the Kitchen from Ford Restaurant and Shay Mechanical. Ford's bid to demo existing unit and install a new unit in the existing space is \$61,570.00. Ford's bid to allow the existing unit to be demoed by someone else, have a concrete pad poured and a new unit installed on it is \$61,889.00. Shay Mechanical's bid to demo the existing unit and install a new unit in the existing space is \$62,300.00. All bids are subject to change due to increase in costs of materials.

All bids are good for 30 days. The existing unit that was installed in 1998 works fine, but the floor is rusted due to chemicals. The refrigeration has been replaced once.

Motioned made by Ashley Benny to accept bid by Shay Mechanical.

Motion seconded by David Zimmerman

Yeas: 4 (Justin Hein, Ashley Benny, David Zimmerman, Robin Saylor)

Nays: 3 (Tim Brandes, Elizabeth Dick, Brian Arnold)

Motion carried: Tabled

E. Transportation – Bill Moser

He reported that one bus will be taken on Friday, April 22, 2022 to Jefferson City to be inspected. All three of the other busses passed inspection. The school purchased a set of new tires for one of the busses to pass inspection. The new busses should be here in September or October.

F. Principals/AD

a. Jessica Huth

1. Elementary Attendance ADA 53.175 Hours present are 48,4291.7269
2. Staff 1 staff member with perfect attendance, 3 staff members have used 25 days. COVID leave has had 31 days. 35 staff members have used 174.5 days. There are currently 5 teachers over attendance allowance and 1 staff member over attendance allowance.
3. There has been 1 student in I.S.S.
4. Pre-K and Kindergarten Round Up was held on April 1, 2022. Two new students in Pre-K participated. In addition we had three other three year old students to add to the list for the 2022-2023 school year.
5. The Spring Concert was held this evening.
6. Elementary Teacher Professional Development is scheduled for April 28, May 4, and May 11, 2022.
7. MAP Testing is scheduled for April 25 – April 29, 2022
8. Living Museum and Science fair is scheduled for May 11, 2022.
9. Grades 4-6 California Lions Club Track Meet is scheduled for May 6, 2022.
10. Field Day is scheduled for May 17, 2022
11. Elementary Awards Assembly is scheduled for May 18, 2022.

b. Brian Emde

1. The National Honor Society will hold the annual induction ceremony on Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 6 P.M. Three members will be inducted. There will be a total of 8 current members.
2. Saturday School will be offered on April 23, 2022 from 8:00 – 12:00 P.M. This gives high school students a chance to make up hours that they are over on attendance. The handbook states that a student can miss up to 5 days of unexcused absences. After this the student is required to make up hours of attendance to receive a credit in the class that they have excessive absenteeism.
3. Prom is scheduled for April 30, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M. Prom night will consist of a dinner for Juniors and Seniors along with their parents and staff members. There will be a promenade and a dance to follow.

4. The annual Academic and Athletic Awards banquet is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M. All plaques, certificates and medals have been ordered by the office. Ice Cream will be ordered by Dr. Anderson. All BOE members will need to supply an ice cream topping. Mrs. Blake will make the cakes for 8<sup>th</sup> grade and seniors.
5. Graduation is set for Sunday, May 15, 2022 @ 2:00 P.M. All supplies for graduation have been ordered by the office.
6. Stipends will be discussed in the Executive Session.

**VII. Financial Report March 2022 – Superintendent Anderson**

Fund Total - \$1,414,526.06

General Fund (1)	\$1,192,087.00	Beginning Balance	\$1,229,899.36
Teachers' Fund (2)	\$ 131,593.56	Total Receipts	\$ 133,130.73
Debt Fund (3)	\$ 0.00	Total Expenditures	\$1,598,425.96
Capital Projects (4)	\$ 90,845.47	Total Cash on Hand	\$1,414,526.06
Investment Funds	\$ (385,000.00)		

Dr. Anderson stated that due to the Academic and Athletic Award Ceremony costing so much more money that she had budgeted for, she had to take funds out of both awards and activities.

**VIII. Old Business**

**A. Technology – Sheila Blake**

1. She reported that Midwest Computech had recently ran new wiring throughout the school. The Math room has no WIFI since then. She has reached out to Midwest Computech several times with no response from them.
2. Bids were received from Midwest Computech and QNS for technology providers for the 2022-2023 school year. Both of the bids are a 3 year commitment. A more detailed bid from QNS is needed next month's board meeting. QNS bid is \$14,789.00 the first year, \$15,307.00 the second year and \$15,842.00 the third year. Midwest Computech's bid is \$27,812.64 each year for all three years. This will be an ACTION ITEM for the May board meeting.

**B. New Bus Funding**

1. Options were discussed on how to pay for the 2 new busses. They will cost the district \$206,294.00. The Esser III grant total is \$153,390.00 which will leave the district to cover \$52,390.00. Three options were presented to the board for decision to be made.
  - a. Pay the the balance in cash, half on this year's end budget and half on next year's budget with zero finance charge.
  - b. Finance the \$206,294.00 charge for three years. This will cost the district \$3,602.00 extra.
  - c. Finance the \$206,294.00 charge for five years. This will cost the district \$5,630.00 extra.

Motion was made by Robin Saylor to adopt option 1

Motion was seconded by Ashley Benny.

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

Nays: 0

Motion Carried: Yes

C. MEUHP Health Insurance

The school district will pay for the HSA 7000 plan at 100% in the amount of \$509.00. However all plans will be offered to the employees if they are interested to buy up.

Motion made by Brian Arnold to accept this health plan.

Motion seconded by Robin Saylor

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

D. Audit of 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

Motion made by Brian Arnold to accept Gerding, Korte & Chitwood CPAs for 2021-2022 audit.

Motion seconded by Tim Brandes

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

E. Missouri School Board Association

Motion made to continue membership with MSBA by Ashley Benny

Motion seconded by Elizabeth Dick

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

**IX. Monthly Meeting**

The next monthly meeting will be held May 18, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Motion adjourned by Elizabeth Dick at 9:01 P.M.

Motion seconded by Ashley Benny.

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

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Nays: 0

Motion carried: Yes

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Board President

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Board Secretary