

Nauvoo - Colusa Community Unit School District # 325

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Board of Education Minutes

Monday, June 12, 2023, Time: 6:30 P.M.
Nauvoo-Colusa Elementary School Cafeteria
2461 North State Highway 96, Nauvoo, Illinois 62354

1.0 Call to Order

President Joe Radel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Radel, Mr. Siegfried, Mr. Squire.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski.

Also Present: Mr. Young, Mr. Cox, Miss Claire Koechle, Mrs. Miller.

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance

4.0 Approval of Minutes

4.01 Regular Meeting Minutes for May 2023

Mrs. Koechle made the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for May 2023 with a second by Mr. Squire.

Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

5.0 Financials

5.01 Pay Bills for May 2023

Mr. Squire made the motion to pay the bills for May 2023 with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

5.02 Approve Financial and Treasurer Report for May 2023

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to approve the financial and treasurer report for May 2023 with a second by Mr. Squire.

Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

This fiscal year, N-C spent \$2,723,876 in the education fund compared to \$2,748,499 last year. In the operation and maintenance fund, the district spent \$318,630 compared to \$770,359 last year. The district spent \$280,324 in the transportation fund this year compared to \$341,280 last year. The district spent \$3,322,830 this year compared to \$3,860,138 the previous year in those three funds for a difference of \$537,305 less this year compared to last year. The district has spent \$3,799,331 this fiscal year compared to \$4,293,353 last year. The district spent \$494,022 less this year compared to last year.

May 31, 2023, completed 92.0% of the 2023 fiscal year. The district expended 80.9% of the education budget, 88.1% of the operations and maintenance budget, and 68.4 % of the transportation budget.

Fund balances as of May 31, 2023: Education: \$2,163,256, Operation and Maintenance: \$152,123, Transportation: \$393,118, and Working Cash: \$112,588. The four Major Fund Balances: \$2,821,085. Total Fund Balance for all funds: \$3,350,614.

Fund balances as of May 31, 2022: Education: \$2,253,944, Operation and Maintenance: \$129,655, Transportation: \$415,804, and Working Cash: \$107,674. The four Major Fund Balances: \$2,907,077. Total Fund Balance for all funds: \$3,494,164.

The district has \$85,992 less this year compared to last year in the four major funds. In addition, the district has \$143,550 less this year compared to the previous year in total fund balances.

6.0 School Board Vacancies

6.01 Closed Session for the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)

The board did not enter into Closed Session due to there being only 1 applicant interested in filling the open board member position at this time.

6.02 Appoint a New School Board Member to Fill a Vacancy from June 12, 2023, to April 2025

Mr. Squire made the motion to appoint Miss Claire Koechle as a new school board member to fill a vacancy from June 12, 2023 to April 2025 with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

6.03 Oath of Office by the School Board President for the New School Board Member

Miss Koechle completed the oath of office.

6.04 Seat the New School Board Member

Miss Koechle was seated to serve a 2-year term.

7.0 Closed Session for the Purpose of Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11).

Mrs. Koechle made the motion to enter into Closed Session for the Purpose of Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11) at 6:35 p.m. with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

7.01 Return to Open Session

Mr. Squire made the motion to return to Open Session at 6:45 p.m. with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

8.0 Recognition of the Members of the Audience

8.01 Public Comment

On behalf of the Nauvoo-Colusa Sports Boosters, Vicky Miller presented information that the group is beginning the process on their long term goal of building bathroom facilities at the school baseball field. Mr. Jordan Bodily is working with one of his contacts to complete plans for the project and then the group will be able to start organizing the project with getting their materials list and finances in order. They will be seeking volunteers from the community to assist in the process. The board expressed their support of the project.

9.0 Amended Budget Hearing

9.01 Open the Public Hearing to Amend the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to open the Public Hearing to amend the budget for the fiscal year 2023 at 6:49 p.m. with a second by Mr. Squire.

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

9.02 Close the Public Hearing

Mr. Squire made the motion to close the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m. with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

10.0 Superintendent's Report

10.01 Presentation of the Administrative and Teacher Salary Report for FY 23

The Administrative and Teacher Salary Report for FY 23 was included in the board packet. It will also be on the school website

10.02 Principal's Report

Mr. Cox's report was included in the board packet.

10.03 Other

Warsaw School has approached Mr. Young, Mr. Cox, and Mr. Trevor Knipe about combining 5th/6th grade sports. Currently the 5th/6 GBB is hosted by NCES and 5th/6th BBB is hosted by SPPS. They will be meeting with the Warsaw administration soon to discuss the situation.

11.0 Action Items

11.01 Consider Approving the Amended Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023

Mrs. Koechle made the motion to approve the Amended Budget for the fiscal year 2023 as presented with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.02 Consider Hiring a 3rd Grade Teacher

Mr. Squire made the motion to hire Tosha Dean-Sedore as a 3rd grade teacher with a second by Mrs. Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.03 Consider the Pay Raises for the Administrative Team

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to approve the pay raises for the administrative team as presented with a second by Miss Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.04 Consider Approving a New School Bus Lease from Central State Bus Inc. for a January 2024 Delivery
Mr. Siegfried made the motion to approve the school bus lease from Central State Bus with a second by Mr. Squire.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.05 Consider Approving the Consolidated District Plan for the 2023-2024 School Year

Mr. Squire made the motion to approve the consolidated district plan for the 2023-2024 school year as presented with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.06 Consider Approving the Preschool Fence to be Moved to Make the Playground Larger

Miss Koechle made the motion to approve the Preschool fence to be moved to allow for more equipment and space with a second by Mrs. Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.07 Consider Accepting the Bid on the Outdoor Freezer

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to accept the bid on the outdoor freezer as presented for \$10 from Mark Miller with a second by Mrs. Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.08 Consider Hiring a Head Junior High School Boys Basketball Coach

Mrs. Koechle made the motion to hire Luke Sinele as the Junior High boys head basketball coach with a second by Miss Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.09 Consider the First Reading of the Policy Updates

Mr. Squire made the motion to approve the first reading of the policy updates with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

12.0 Communications and Correspondence

12.01 Beginning of the Fiscal Year 2024- July 1, 2023

12.02 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, July 17, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

12.03 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, August 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

12.04 First Day of School- August 21, 2023

12.05 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, September 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

12.06 Budget Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2024, September 18, 2023

Mr. Radel presented Mr. Young with a plaque and the board expressed their appreciation for his many years of service to the district.

13.0 Adjournment

Mr. Squire made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. with a second by Mrs. Koechle.

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.