
CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING

Date and time of meeting: May 4, 2020, 7:00 p.m.
Place of meeting: Bill Conley Administration Building
200 Ettl Lane, Clarksville, Indiana
Members of the Board participated by video conference

Attendance: Ms. Tina Bennett, CCSC Superintendent
Mr. Bill Wilson, Board President
Mr. Justin Hansford, Board Vice President
Ms. April Hauber, Board Secretary
Ms. Linda Wilson, Board Member
Ms. Teresa Cummings, Board Member
Ms. Holly Rupperecht, Asst. to the Superintendent
Mr. Bobby Crane, CCSC Technology Director
Ms. Adrienne Goldman, CHS Principal
Dr. Brian Allred, RA Principal

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Wilson called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked Ms. Hauber to recite the Pledge of Allegiance on behalf of the Board.

Amend and/or Adopt Agenda

Ms. Wilson made a motion to adopt the agenda, as presented. Ms. Hauber seconded. Ms. Holly Rupperecht, Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board, conducted a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent Bennett updated the Board about the District's response to COVID-19. She noted that meal deliveries would continue in the same fashion throughout the month of May. She said 625-700 students were being served each week. She noted that building leaders were working with families to provide a safe way for students to pick up their belongings and return books and other school supplies prior to the end of the school year. She also said students who had checked out Chromebooks and who already registered for the 2020/2021 would get to keep the Chromebooks throughout the summer. Superintendent Bennett told the Board that planning was underway for a virtual summer school model for students in high school who needed to recover credits. She also noted that planning would continue with the pandemic response team to discuss options for reopening campus for the fall when allowed to do so. Superintendent Bennett updated the Board on various facilities projects that were in process. She noted that all of the buildings had been deep cleaned and sanitized. Superintendent Bennett also reported that the bond project was still on schedule with the bidding process for the roofing projects still underway.

Alternative Graduation Plan

Superintendent Bennett discussed the need to come up with an alternate graduation plan in light of Governor Holcomb's Executive Order that school corporations were not allowed to have any activities on school campuses through June 30, 2020, the end of the school year.

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She introduced Ms. Adrienne Goldman, Clarksville High School Principal, and Dr. Brian Allred, Renaissance Academy Director, to present the plan for the Class of 2020. Ms. Goldman said that the graduation for the class of 2020 would be a virtual ceremony. She said students would make appointments to be filmed having their names called and walking across the stage to receive their diplomas. They would be allowed to have up to four family members present. She said the clips of each student would be edited together and released on Friday, May 29, 2020. She also noted that a graduation celebration would be held July 16, 2020 with more details to come later based on federal, state and local guidelines for gathering. Upon Superintendent Bennett's recommendation, Ms. Hauber made a motion to approve the alternative graduation plan, as presented. Mr. Hansford seconded. Ms. Holly Rupprecht, Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board, conducted a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wilson noted that it is regrettable that graduation had to happen this way but said he appreciated the work done by Ms. Goldman and Dr. Allred.

Classified Handbook and Statement of Benefits for 2020/2021

Superintendent Bennett presented the updated Classified Handbook and Statement of Benefits for all groups. She said there were no changes to the handbook this year and discussed the changes to the Statement of Benefits. Upon Superintendent Bennett's recommendation, Ms. Wilson made a motion to approve the Classified Handbook and Statement of Benefits, as presented. Ms. Cummings seconded. Ms. Holly Rupprecht, Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board, conducted a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wilson noted that due to most employees receiving a base salary increase there is no guarantee of a stipend at the end of the year due to the uncertainty of the situation.

NEOLA Board Policy Updates

Superintendent Bennett discussed six updates to NEOLA Board Policy. Policies po0164.4, po0165, po0167.1 and po0167.3 added language regarding virtual meetings, voting and public participation after an Executive Order during an emergency. Policy po8416 is a new policy that discusses school functions during an emergency and po4162 is in regards to drug and alcohol testing of school bus drivers due to changes in the law. This was the first reading of the updates.

ESG Contract Update

Superintendent Bennett reported to the Board that the final ESG Contract has been reviewed and approved by legal. She also presented an amended Project Development Agreement updating the timeline with ESG. She said she would bring both back for a vote next week.

Other

Superintendent Bennett said that she had been on meetings about the Cares Act, in which schools will receive money during COVID-19. She said she is still waiting on guidance on how the money can be spent.

Mr. Wilson discussed a projection that traditional schools could lose up to 10% or more enrollment in the fall due to COVID-19. He said virtual schooling options needed to be explored due to fears he has of a decline in enrollment. He said he feels CCSC is unprepared at this time and that virtual learning needs to

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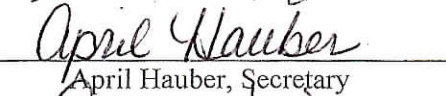
be explored quickly. Ms. Wilson agreed that investigation needs to be done as virtual learning may need to be an option in the future. She said CCSC needs to be able to accommodate students that don't want to return to the building. Mr. Hansford, Ms. Hauber and Ms. Cummings all agreed that looking into a virtual school option was a good idea.

Adjourn

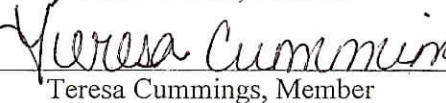
With no further business to discuss, Mr. Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.


William P. Wilson, President


Justin Hansford, Vice President


April Hauber, Secretary


Linda Wilson, Member


Teresa Cummings, Member