CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MEETING MEMORANDA

Date and time of meeting:

Place of meeting:

October 6, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Presentation Studio 103, Renaissance Academy,

806 Eastern Boulevard, Clarksville, Indiana

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 Rupprecht, Asst. to the Superintendent

Dr. Brian Allred, Assistant Superintendent Ms. Mindy Dablow, CES Principal

Ms. Carey Davis, CES Assistant Principal

Ms. Erin Walden, CCSC Communications Specialist Mr. Chris Vernon, Desktop Support Technician

Ms. Christina Schotter, C.E.A. President

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Wilson called the Planning Session to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked those in attendance to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amend and/or Adopt Agenda

Ms. Wilson made a motion to adopt the agenda, as presented. Ms. Cummings seconded; the vote was unanimous.

2021 Budget Hearing

Mr. Wilson opened the 2021 Budget Hearing. Superintendent Bennett discussed the budget, and said the advertised AV is \$348,000,000 which is low to keep tax rates at a level to protect levies. She noted that the September certified ADM was 1148 at the brick and mortar and 1855 at Indiana Gateway Digital Academy. She noted the budget was developed on a count of 1266, plus 3,000 virtual students. Superintendent Bennett discussed the Education, Operations, Debt Service and Rainy Day Funds. She noted that the Board will vote on the proposed budget and various resolutions on October 20. There were no taxpayer comments. Mr. Wilson closed the 2021 Budget Hearing.

Education Update

Superintendent Bennett discussed the 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year program. She said the process is continuing from the previous school year with arc once again being the sponsor. She said the announcement of the Corporation Teacher of the Year would be December 3. Superintendent Bennett discussed the first ADM count on September 18th. She noted there are 1148 in the brick and mortar buildings, 203 fewer students than last year. She said the February count day will give CCSC a better idea of where things stand going into next school year.

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Dr. Brian Allred, Assistant Superintendent, said the employees at Indiana Gateway Digital Academy were easy to work with. He also noted that Ivy Tech had reached out about offering dual credits to INGDA students.

Ms. Mindy Dablow, CES Principal and Ms. Carey Davis, CES Assistant Principal updated the board on the start to the school year. They talked about this year's school theme and how they are incorporating PPE and all the changes due to COVID-19 in the classrooms. They said children are excited to be in person and discussed how students are adjusting to learning in a new way. They also noted fewer discipline problems this year.

Ms. Erin Walden, CCSC Communications Specialist, discussed how marketing contracts are put on hold right now due to COVID-19. She highlighted the top 6 performing posts on social media and talked about what topics were resonating with people.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent Bennett told the Board it was necessary to do a public hearing for an additional appropriation to the 2020 budget on October 20 due to the addition of the virtual school. Superintendent Bennett gave the Board a COVID-19 update. She said there had been less than a dozen positive student and staff cases with less than 50 students and staff having to quarantine due to close contact prior to that day. She noted there was a new case identified hours before the meeting that involved a quarantine of the CMS football team. Superintendent Bennett congratulated the CHS tennis team. She said they had overcome a lot of adversity this season and was proud they had advanced to the championship match for the first time in 9 years. Superintendent Bennett reminded the Board that fall break was October 12-16.

Comments

C.E.A. Communications: Ms. Christina Schotter, C.E.A. President, thanked Superintendent Bennett for her work on the budget. Ms. Schotter said she felt that Clarksville Schools is prepared and doing a great job keeping employees safe during the pandemic. She said teachers are pleased the calendar had not changed like other surrounding districts.

Comments from Board Members: Mr. Wilson noted that the Commission on Retention and Pay had not met for several months. Ms. Wilson said CCSC is a family where everyone cares about everyone else. Mr. Hansford said he was glad to stick to the calendar. He also said the one to one technology for CES students will help them excel in the future.

Personnel

Superintendent Bennett discussed the personnel report.

Go Solutions Contract

Superintendent Bennett discussed the contract with Go Solutions. She noted this is the company that CCSC has used for Medicaid billing for several years. She said there are no changes to the contract terms.

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2021 CCSC Board of School Trustees Meeting Dates

Superintendent Bennett discussed the proposed meeting dates for the Board of School Trustees for the calendar year 2021.

Fund Raising Requests

Superintendent Bennett discussed fund raising requests.

Donations

Superintendent Bennett discussed donations.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Wilson adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

William P. Wilson, President

Justin Hansford, Vice President

April Hauber, Secretary

Linda Wilson, Member

Teresa Cummings, Member