

April 14, 2020

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number Two met remotely at 7:00 P.M., on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. The board met remotely through the use of Google Hangouts Meeting and a call number. The remote meeting was in accordance with Illinois Gov. Pritzler's suspension of certain open meeting act requirements because of COVID-19.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Michelle Skinlo.

ROLL CALL: Present: Colleen Garner, Gary Kepley, Ashli Overton, Susan Braun, John Hedges, Erika Weaver, Michele Skinlo

Absent: None

RECEPTION OF VISITORS:

Agenda: None

Non-Agenda: None

CONSENT AGENDA: The Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items, was presented to the Board for approval:

- Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board March 10, 2020
- Approval for payment of bills for March 2020 as presented
- Approval of the March 2020 Enrollment Report as presented – 3,251
- Freedom of Information Report – There were three Freedom of Information requests this month:
 - The first request was from the Illinois Retired Teachers Association seeking the names of retiring teachers and administrators. The request was granted.

- The second request was from Vince Espinoza of Rolling Meadows, Illinois. He was requesting copies of Mattoon High School's grading scale. The request was granted.
- The third request was from Tiffany Lanman, parent of two MHS students. She was seeking documentation of special education meetings, policies and communications. We granted the request.

Weaver moved, seconded by Overton, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Hedges, aye; Weaver, aye; Garner, aye; Kepley, aye; Skinlo, aye. Nays, none. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION OF COMMERCIAL INSURANCE BROKERAGE CONTRACT AND PHOTOGRAPHY CONTRACT FOR 2020-2021

SCHOOL YEAR:

Tim Condron, assistant superintendent of business, said the commercial insurance brokerage contract with Dimond Bros. Insurance and the photography contract with Gaines Photography were both expiring this year. He recommended the board extend the contracts for another year. Action would be taken on this item at the May 12, 2020 school board meeting. Condron explained the Illinois State Board of Education has requested all school districts keep items (including entering of contracts, solicitation of bids etc) to a minimum due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the spring of 2021, a recommendation is scheduled to be made to seek requests for three-year proposals for commercial insurance brokerage and photography services.

BOARD ACTION TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT -

M.C.U.S.D. #2:

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. David Skocy presented the following C.U.S.D. #2 personnel report to the Board for approval:

Certified Resignations - C.U.S.D. #2

-Erin Clifford is resigning as Mattoon High School Family and Consumer Science teacher, effective at the end of the 2019-20 school year

- Morgan Drees is resigning as Franklin
Preschool Home Visitor teacher, effective
June 30, 2020
- Rachel Finney is resigning as Mattoon
High School English teacher, effective at
the end of the 2019-20 school year
- Kaylee Purcell is resigning as Riddle
Elementary School third grade teacher,
effective at the end of the 2019-20 school
year.

Classified Resignations – C.U.S.D. #2

- Shawna Czerwonka is retiring as
Williams Elementary School
classroom paraprofessional, effective
June 30, 2020

Classified Appointments-C.U.S.D.#2

- Stephanie Dodge as Riddle Elementary
School title paraprofessional, effective for
the 2020-21 school year
- Tamara Leeman as Franklin Preschool
paraprofessional, effective for the 2020-21
school year
- Kaylee Purcell as Riddle Elementary School
paraprofessional, effective for the 2020-21
school year
- Lori Westra, as a school nurse, effective
for the 2020-21 school year
- Katrina Stewart as a volunteer, effective
immediately
- Jon-Michael Winans as a volunteer,
effective immediately

Extra Duty Appointments - C.U.S.D. #2

- Nicole Renshaw as Riddle
Elementary School RTI Coordinator,
effective for the 2020-21 school year

Overton moved, seconded by Braun to approve the Personnel Report for C.U.S.D. #2 as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Hedges, aye; Weaver aye; Garner, aye; Kepley, aye; Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Skinlo, aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

**BOARD ACTION TO APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SCHEDULE FOR 2020-2021**

SCHOOL YEAR: Superintendent Larry Lilly recommended the board approve the 2020-2021 school board meeting calendar. The board will continue meeting at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month with an additional meeting at noon June 30, 2021 to finalize the fiscal year and pay the bills.

A voice vote of ayes carried the motion.

**PRESENTATION ON REMOTE LEARNING PLAN FOR PERIOD
OF SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO CORONAVIRUS**

-CHRISTY HILD: (Information item)
Christy Hild, director of student services, said April 14, 2020 was the first day of remote learning in the district. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Gov. Pritzker ordered schools closed to protect students and teachers. However, he mandated that learning continue through remote learning. Families could choose to have assignments emailed or could have actual copies. Teachers use Google classroom, Schoology and email to teach and communicate with students and families. Board President Michelle Skinlo commended Hild and the teaching staff for their efforts in creating a remote learning program. Superintendent Larry Lilly also thanked Hild, the teachers, administrators and tech team for their work to bring remote learning to students and staff. Lilly added the discussions and implementation of remote learning have helped the district move forward with meeting their goals for implementation of competency based learning.

See Exhibit 7.1a

**PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY COMMENCEMENT
CEREMONY PLANS**

-RICH STUART:

(Information item)

Rich Stuart, principal, Mattoon High School, shared his proposals for offering a commencement ceremony to MHS seniors. Because of COVID-19, the State of Illinois and federal officials have warned against large group gatherings due to the danger of transmitting the virus. Events such as prom and commencement have been postponed not only at Mattoon High School but schools throughout the United States. School administrators like Stuart are hoping the pandemic subsides and these events can be rescheduled to allow students a chance to enjoy their final Prom and participate in graduation ceremonies. Stuart is hopeful this may happen and he is prepared to schedule a commencement ceremony in the summer months. However, Stuart has another proposal. Students could safely gather at the school, practice social distancing, walk across the stage, and receive their diplomas while the ceremony is streamed live. Families and friends would be able to view the ceremony via live streaming. A very limited number of family members would be allowed in the gym. However, by streaming it live, an unlimited amount of family and friends could view the ceremony.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Braun moved, seconded by Garner to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m

A voice vote of ayes carried the motion.

_____ President

Date May 12, 2020

_____ Secretary