

The Board of Directors of the Edgewood-Colesburg Community School District met in regular session in the Edgewood Board Room on Monday, October 12, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Jason Jones at 7:30 p.m.

Dir. present: Gudenkauf, Faust, Jones, Schilling, and Moser.

Also present: Supt. Busch, Prin. Voss, and Secretary Hunt.

President Jones welcomes ten visitors.

Dir. Faust moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried 5-0.

Commendations:

Dir. Gudenkauf moved to approve the recognition of Eileen Bergan, Assistant Coaches, Volleyball Team and volunteers who made Pink Night a success. Motion Carried 5-0.

Staff:

Eden Gaul introduced herself to the board as being the new 6th Grade homeroom teacher and 5th and 6th grade math teacher.

Megan Johnson introduced herself to the board as being the new Elementary Technology instructor and Kindergarten-12th grade Talented and Gifted instructor.

New Business:

The Board discussed the Wellness Program.

Dir. Moser moved to approve the School Improvement Advisory Committee Members. Motion Carried 5-0.

Dir. Schilling moved to approve the additional allowable growth for increased enrollment from the previous year. Motion Carried 5-0.

Dir. Schilling moved to approve submitting a request for allowable growth for late open enrollment students. Motion Carried 5-0.

The Board discussed how the Homecoming activities went and different options for the future.

Dir. Moser moved to approve Sawyer Amling, Clint Welsh, and Travis Gudenkauf as volunteer Wrestling Coaches. Motion Carried 5-0.

Board table discussion on the packet "Considering Board Priorities".

First reading of Board Policy 401.7 Travel Allowance was duly noted.

Communications:

Supt. Busch: Working on finalizing the enrollment count for the 2015-16 year. Recommended beginning to look at updating the secondary building HVAC controls. Reviewed the early literacy legislation which is going to affect this year's second graders. Iowa lawmakers adopted a comprehensive

early literacy initiative in 2012 that focuses on making sure our students are successful readers by the end of third grade. The law requires:

- An early warning system to screen students in kindergarten through third grade, to identify struggling readers in those grades, and to provide research-based intervention and progress monitoring to get them back on track.
- Communication between schools and parents of children who are struggling.
- Intensive summer reading programs starting in May 2017 for struggling readers at the end of third grade. These programs must meet state standards.
- Retention at the end of third grade for students who have a substantial deficiency in reading, did not complete a summer program, and do not qualify for an exemption.

By May 1, 2017, every school district in Iowa must provide an intensive summer reading program for students identified as having a substantial deficiency in reading at the end of third grade. Completing the summer reading program will allow these students to advance to fourth grade. Students who are substantially deficient in reading at the end of third grade and who did not complete a summer reading program must be retained in third grade unless they qualify for an exemption, according to the law. Also reviewed trainings available through the Iowa School Board Association's web-site highlighting the one on Open Meetings Laws. There are specific recommendations for when a quorum of the board meets. Meetings/workshops should be posted at least 24 hours in advance.

Dir. Faust moved to approve the consent agenda.

1. Minutes of September 22, 2015 meeting
2. List of Expenditures and Financial Reports
3. Open Enrollment
 - a. Shyanne Fleming, 4th from Starmont
 - b. Elijah Fleming, 8th from Starmont
 - c. Allissa Fleming, 3rd from Starmont
 - d. Abbigail Fleming, 3rd from Starmont
 - e. Jordan Rawson, Kindergarten from West Delaware
4. Special Education Contracts
5. Personnel
 - a. Resignations
 - b. New Hire

Motion Carried 5-0.

With no further business to come before this board for consideration at this time, Dir. Schilling moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion Carried 5-0.

Jason Jones, President
Melissa Hunt, Secretary