

## REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2013

The Board of Directors of the Edgewood-Colesburg Community School District met in regular session in the Colesburg Media Center, on Monday, October 21, 2013. President Randall Mescher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Directors present: Kenneth Faust, Jason Jones, Randall Mescher, Doug Moser, and Robert Schilling.

Also present: Superintendent Rob Busch, Secondary Principal Dawn Voss, Elementary Principal Paul Wenger, and Board Secretary Martha Romig.

Visitors: Alex Hanna, Jenny Lange, Kari Kintzle, Jenna Moser, Robin McCool, Kristy Mather, Judy Lueken, Larry and Carol Kubly.

President Mescher welcomed our guests.

Leo Clute, elementary custodian, conducted a tour for the board members of the elementary school.

Director Jones moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Director Faust moved to approve the following items on the consent agenda.

1. Minutes of the September 16<sup>th</sup> regular, annual and organizational meetings.
2. Financial reports & expenditures
3. Open Enrollment:
  - a. Shiloh Rose Molina, grade 3, from Central

Motion carried 5-0.

Communications:

Director Schilling moved to recognize Linda Tegeler who received a grant for an ipads, Kayla Ramsey who received a Farm Bureau grant in the amount of \$200.00 and to Eileen Bergan, Mary Everett, Kristen Arthur, volleyball team, volunteer and citizens for a very successful pink night. Motion carried 5-0.

Larry Kubly has been studying the constitution and is very concerned about the Iowa Core teachings.

Principal Wenger: NEWA testing in the following areas of math, reading, and language arts are given to students in grades 3-6. Club Choices had another very profitable year netting

approximately \$13, 500.00. Judy Lueken, Jess Iserman, Julie Nordaas, Alex Hanna, Dawn Voss, and I were at Keystone today for SINA training.

Principal Voss: Tonight is the fall vocal concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> we will be hosting the first round of the regional volleyball. On Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. we will have a 7-9 assembly on financial literacy. Conferences are scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. is the fall musical. November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day and all veteran as well as the public are invited to attend. Iowa Assessment tests will be given on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. November 15<sup>th</sup> is Drive One for Your School. Thank you to the Booster Club for the open house of the weight room. Sarah Kleis and the cheerleaders have made a very positive change in the school spirit. Have had a lot of nice comments on the work they have done with the pride in our school.

Superintendent Busch: Certified enrollment for the 2013-2014 school year is 534; decrease of 11 students from the previous year. Windstream has delayed increasing the bandwidth at the elementary until October 31<sup>st</sup>. IASB orientation is scheduled for October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Manchester. Superintendents of the Upper Iowa Conference are in support of merging the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union and the Iowa High School Athletic Association. They felt with the decreasing number of high schools in the state it is time to consider this merger. We will begin the process of applying for the Teacher Leadership and Compensation Planning Grant. Each district that requests this grant will receive \$5,000 plus \$3.71 per student. Accepting funds from this grant does not commit the district to adopt a teacher leadership system. This grant simply provides the district with the resources to start the planning process. We are still in need of coaches for Junior High Wrestling and JV Basketball positions.

Director Faust: Attended the weight room open house and was very impressed. Mrs. Wille, her 8<sup>th</sup> grade class and I attended the Mississippi River Festival on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Very interesting. The article in the Cedar Rapids Gazette concerning Paul Olinger was very well done. I take my hat off to him for all his hard work and dedication.

Director Schilling: Seconded the comment made by Director Faust concerning Paul Olinger. I have known him for many years very good kid. Volleyball pink night was wonderful.

Director Moser: Football team is moving in the right direction. Volleyball pink night was great. The weight room has a lot of impressive equipment.

Director Mescher: Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> is the IASB meeting in Manchester on Orientation to Governance: Foundations of Effective Board Service. Tentatively set November 25<sup>th</sup> as date to visit with legislators. November 21<sup>st</sup> is the Iowa School Board Convention. I would like to personally thank James Rochford for his many hours and dedication for all his work on the weight room. Thank you from the school board.

New Business:

Elementary teachers Kristy Mather, Robin McCool, Jenna Moser, and Judy Lueken along with high school teachers, Alex Hanna, Jenny Lange, and Kari Kintzle shared with the board the progress their groups are making in their Professional Learning Community (PLC) groups.

Director Jones moved to approve the appointment of Randy Mescher as representative at the Iowa School Board Convention Delegate Assembly. Motion carried 5-0.

Website Hosting Agreement was tabled until next month.

Director Jones moved to approve the following members to the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC): Kerry Amling, Jasmin Avianeda, Primo Avianeda/EstellaBlanco, Elise Bergan, Greg Deutmeyer, Paul Dolan, Mark Fitzpatrick, Jeff Funke, Amy Gaul, Eden Gaul, John Hense, Elizabeth Jaster, Wayne Kirby, Jeff Lincoln, Michael Lueken, Rex Meyer, Pam Ostwinkle, Tanya Payne, Wendy Pillard, Steve Putz, Peggy Schilling, Karen Schmitz, Jodi Schroeder, John Wessel, Chandler Saddoris, and Delany Bergan. Motion carried 5-0.

A discussion was held on the State Sales & Use Tax for School Infrastructure Act (SAVE) Plan. There are a lot of areas that need repairs or updates to benefit the district.

With no further business to come before this board for consideration at this time, Director Jones moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Martha Romig, Secretary  
Randall Mescher, President