

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COLLINS-MAXWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUGUST 19, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER The Board of Education met in regular session with Vice President Mark Huntrods calling the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Maxwell Library.

Board members present: Bryce Caple, Mark Huntrods, Justin Boege, Brad Plunkett

Board members absent: Lowell Crouse

Administrators present: Superintendent Jason Ellingson, Board Sec/Treas/Business Manager Bonnie Mitchell, MS/HS Principal Kevin Williams, Elementary Principal Chad Grandon

Visitors: Jim Collogan, Jon Hand, Suzanne Hofer, Ben Hofer, Joey Tillman, Dante and Adam Jones

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Moved by Caple, seconded by Boege, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried 4y-0n.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS Caple made a motion, seconded by Boege, to approve the consent items that consist of:

- o Minutes of previous meetings: July 14, 2014; July 18, 2014; August 4, 2014; August 11, 2014
- o Financial reports- none due to end-of-year balancing
- o General fund and schoolhouse fund bills totaling \$350,467.94
- o Contracts approved: Lori Wulf as MS aide
- o Resignations: Jackie Mathis, MS aide; Jordon Overton from head middle school wrestling coach and assistant middle school boys track coach due to life changes; and Alex Brown from his high school baseball assistant coach position. The board would like to thank them for their dedication and service to students.

Motion carried 4y-0n.

4. PUBLIC FORUM None

5. COMMUNICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Superintendent Ellingson gave a Collins facility update and gave a written report. MS/HS Principal Kevin Williams and Elementary Principal Chad Grandon updated the board on their first days of school.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

A. PRESENTATION ON STARTING A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BY JIM COLLOGAN Jim Collogan, Principal Consultant for the TFG Foundation Group gave a power point presentation to the board on how their group can assist schools, districts, school foundations and community members start, develop and enhance funding and resource acquisitions for the direct benefit of the students of their partnering schools and districts. The board thanked him for his time.

A. APPROVAL OF BUS ROUTES AND DRIVERS Boege moved and Caple seconded the motion to approve the routes and drivers as presented for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried 4y-0n.

B. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL SPRINGBROOK OVERNIGHT TRIP Plunkett moved and Caple seconded the motion to approve the annual tradition of having sixth grade students travel overnight to Springbrook which is scheduled for October 7-8. Motion carried 4y-0n.

C. DETERMINE THE BOARD'S IASB LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2015 By a motion from Caple, seconded by Boege, our board's legislative priorities include: Supports continued progress in the development of rigorous content standards and benchmarks consistent with the Iowa Core focused on improving student achievement; Supports setting allowable growth at a rate that encourages continuous school improvement and reflects actual cost increases experienced by school districts and AEA; Supports greater flexibility in the use of the management levy for those services required by law including inspections and publication costs and legal and auditing services, including internal auditing services and staff; Supports the use of physical plant and equipment levy (PPEL) funds for the maintenance and repair of transportation equipment that can be purchase or financed with PPEL funds; and supports legislation allowing school board bond issues to be passed by a simple majority vote and to permit the local school board to levy a combination of property taxes and income surtaxes to pay the indebtedness. Motion carried 4y-0n.

7. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED NEXT MONTH Robinson land bids and construction

8. ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Caple and seconded by Boege to adjourn the board meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried 4y-0n.

NEXT MEETING The next regular will be September 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the school library at Maxwell.

Bonnie Mitchell
Board Secretary