REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

BOARD OF EDUCATION

COLUMBUS COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, April 22, 2024

The Board of Directors of Columbus Community School District convened its regular monthly board meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2024, at the Administration Building in Columbus Junction, Iowa.

Present were President Carol Zuniga, Vice-President Todd Heck, Directors Andy White, Dan Heindel and Stacy Storm.

In addition, Superintendent Dr. Michael Volk and Business Manager and Board Secretary Neil Mills were present.

**Board Meeting**

**Agenda**

Andy White moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded by Todd Heck.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

**Citizen’s Comments**

There were no citizen’s comments at this meeting.

**Budget Hearing**

President Carol Zuniga opened the budget hearing for the Columbus Community School District budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 5:31 p.m.

Board Secretary Neil Mills presented a power point presentation on the budget and reviewed the proposed tax rate of $10.57940 per $1,000 taxable valuation

President Carol Zuniga announced she would now close the budget hearing for the Columbus Community School District budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 5:49 p.m.

Todd Heck moved to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget as presented.

Seconded by Stacy Storm.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

**Presentations**

* Kathy Vance presented on the Louisa County multi-purpose barn project & capital campaign.
* Traci Orr gave an update on the plans for graduation. Fourty-one students will be graduating on May 19, 2024 and it will begin at 1:00 not 2:00 as in prior years.
* Lori Beenen gave a Gear Up update of which we have two grants. The Future Ready Grant is for juniors and they are doing college visits and job shadowing. The new grant, Gear up 3.0 applies to the seventh grade class. Grant finding will allow the district to hire a director for implementation, planning, budgeting and time tracking of grant funds.

**Approvals**

Andy White made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, Minutes for March 25, 2024 Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting and April 10, 2024 Special Meeting and Bills.

Seconded by Dan Heindel.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

**Reports**

Kristen Payne, Randy Phillips, Kristina Murphy, Mike Wolter and Dr. Volk gave administrative reports.

Carol Zuniga and Todd Heck gave board reports.

**Unfinished Business**

Todd Heck moved to approve the final reading of Policy 507.04 update to remove Parent/Guardian Involvement policy and replace it with Family Engagement policy.

Seconded by Stacy Storm.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

**New Business**

Stacy Storm moved to approve the following resignations, retirement and hires:

* Resignation – Avery Nabholz – K-6th General Music Teacher
* Resignation – Elizabeth Mallon – Elementary Counselor
* Resignation – Eva McBride – 4th grade ELA / Social Studies Teacher
* Resignation/Retirement – Darrell Headings – 4th grade Math / Science Teacher

* Hire – Marcus Hall – Boys Head Basketball Coach (Pending license renewal)
* Hire – Sara Campa – Elementary SPED Associate
* Hire – Stephanie Lopez-Barraza – Elementary SPED L3 Associate

Seconded by Todd Heck.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Andy White made a motion to approve the following fundraiser and school use fundraisers:

* Girls Soccer – Sell fruit cups and baked goods at a home track meet – Alfredo Piedra

 School use Fundraisers

* HS Softball – Signature banner for softball alumni donations – Dustin Traylor
* HS Softball – Hit-a-thon – Dustin Traylor

Seconded by Dan Heindel.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Hearing for the review of the 2024-2025 calendar.

President Carol Zuniga opened the hearing to review the 2024-2025 school calendar as required by Iowa Code 279.10 at 6:45 p.m.

Four possible calendars were presented to the board:

* Proposed 4-day (Mon)
* Proposed 4-day (Fri)
* Proposed 5-day (Wed Early Out)
* Proposed 5-day (Hybrid)

Lori Beenen explained the results from a teacher survey. First choice 4-day (Monday PD). Second choice 4-day (Friday PD).

President Carol Zuniga asked for any public comments concerning the proposed calendars.

There were no comments from the public.

President Carol Zuniga closed the hearing for the review of the 2024-2025 school calendar as required by Iowa Code 279.120 at 6:48 p.m.

Dr. Volk was asked for his recommendation. After expressing some concerns for the 4-day calendars, he recommended the 5-day (Hybrid) calendar.

Andy White moved to approve the 5-day (Wed Early Out) 2024-2025 school calendar.

Seconded by Todd Heck.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Andy White moved to approve the 28E shared personnel agreement with Louisa-Muscatine CSD and Eastern Iowa Community College/MCC for a College and Career Counselor for the 2024-25 school year.

 Seconded by Stacy Storm.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Todd Heck moved to approve the personnel sharing agreement for a work-based learning coordinator with Eastern Iowa Community College and Durant, Louisa-Muscatine and West Liberty Schools.

Seconded by Dan Heindel.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Andy White moved to approve the opening of a public funds (sweep) account at Community Bank & Trust for the PPEL Fund.

Stacy Storm seconded the motion.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Andy White moved to approve the list of 2024 Graduates pending meeting all graduation requirements.

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| Abisag | Acosta Magana | Sylena | Garza | Jennifer | Montiel-Cordova |
| Julio | Aguirre | Yuvensly | Georges | Noemy | Navarro-Ayala |
| Alexia | Alaniz | Kimberly | Gonzalez | Kelly | Nunez-Lara |
| Alexa | Alcala | Mia | Gonzalez | Pedro | Perez |
| Joshua | Almanza | Ximena | Heredia | Cael | Phillips |
| Kaden | Amigon-Suiter | David | Hernandez | Lecet | Quiroz |
| Jenny | Castellanos | Ebelin | Hernandez | Alexia | Ruiz-Miranda |
| Russell | Coil | Timothy | Hills-Carrier | Estrella | Salas Vasquez |
| Dalia | Cortes | Cesar | Lara | Brynna | Schwab |
| Luis | Cruz | Alynna | Leos | Cole | Storm |
| Rodrigo | Elizarraras | Dulce | Macias | Dakota | Storm |
| Fernando | Erazo Garcia | Daniel | Martinez | Eric | Tusing |
| Ian | Estudillo | Estrella | Montero | Damian | Vergara |
| Bianca | Garcia | Maribel | Montiel |  |  |

Seconded by Stacy Storm.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Todd Heck moved to accept a one-year building use agreement for $10,000 with Eastern Iowa Community College.

Seconded by Dan Heindel.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

Stacy Storm moved to adjourn.

Seconded by Dan Heindel.

Ayes: five Nays: none. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

The next meeting will be on May 28, 2024 at 5:30 due to Memorial Day.

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Carol S. Zuniga, School Board President

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Neil A. Mills, School Board Secretary

Approved Bills:

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| Agriland FS, INC. | Fuel Purchases | 2,955.64 |
| Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. | Legal Services | 1,053.00 |
| Ahmad, Mahmoud  | Official | 87.88 |
| All American Pest Control | Pest Control Services | 110.00 |
| Alliant Energy | Utilities | 17,184.10 |
| Ambriz, Crystal  | Official | 225.00 |
| American Time & Signal | Supplies  | 345.67 |
| Anderson Erickson Dairy | Milk Purchases | 5,030.29 |
| Apple Computer, Inc. | Technology | 161.25 |
| Bergum, Peter  | Official | 188.08 |
| Berlin's Pro Shop & Screen Printing | Supplies | 66.95 |
| Blick, Dick  | Supplies | 167.62 |
| BMO Harris Bank N.A. | Supplies/Travel | 8,299.60 |
| BSN Sports | Supplies | 7,770.85 |
| Business Professionals Of America | Conference Fees | 7,097.00 |
| Carstens Chiropractic | DOT Physical | 70.00 |
| CDW Government Inc. | Supplies | 260.25 |
| Central Iowa Distributing | Supplies | 1,948.00 |
| City Of Columbus Junction | Utilities | 1,574.56 |
| Clark, Alec  | Official | 166.80 |
| Columbus Gazette | Publications  | 762.00 |
| Columbus Jct. Auto Supply | Supplies | 1,094.87 |
| Concept Studios, LLC | Purchase Service | 3,000.00 |
| Cook, Jeffrey  | Official | 104.68 |
| Crisis Prevention Institute, Inc. | Membership Dues | 200.00 |
| Doors Inc. | Purchase Service | 7,063.00 |
| Doosan Bobcat North America, Inc. | Equipment | 52,611.63 |
| Durant Comm Schools | Entry Fees | 150.00 |
| Earthgrains Baking Co.’s Inc. | Bread Purchases | 954.50 |
| Economart | Supplies  | 216.66 |
| FBG Service Corporation | Purchase Service | 23,632.00 |
| Follett School Solutions, INC | Purchase Service | 1,647.80 |
| Grainger | Supplies  | 204.68 |
| Guillermo, Silva  | Official | 133.64 |
| Hands Up Communication | Purchase Service | 10,592.50 |
| Hei, Sui  | Purchase Service | 50.00 |
| Highland Music Boosters | Entry Fees | 709.34 |
| ICAOA | Official Fees | 400.00 |
| Iowa City CSD | Open Enrollment | 909.19 |
| Iowa City West High School | Entry Fees | 25.00 |
| Iowa Dept. Of Education | Inspection Fees | 50.00 |
| IP Pathways | Technology | 75.00 |
| J.W. Pepper and Son, Inc. | Supplies | 87.99 |
| JourneyEd.com, Inc. | Technology | 8,181.64 |
| Kemp & Son | Purchase Service | 6,718.90 |
| Kirkwood Community College | Scholarships | 5,000.00 |
| Kurz, Matthew  | Official | 87.88 |
| L.J. Roth | Purchase Service | 4,292.03 |
| Leet's Refrigeration | Purchase Service | 4,727.26 |
| Lone Tree CSD | Entry Fees | 320.00 |
| Louisa County Conservation Bd | Supplies | 50.00 |
| Louisa County Sheriff | 28E- SRO | 16,092.99 |
| Marco | Copier Leases | 2,807.07 |
| Martinez, Beatriz  | Official | 150.00 |
| McNamara, Thomas  | Official | 113.64 |
| Medicom | Telephone Services | 812.24 |
| Midwest Alarm Services | Purchase Service | 1,113.88 |
| Mississippi Bend AEA 9 | Professional Development | 1,900.80 |
| Movie Licensing USA | Supplies | 480.00 |
| Muscatine County Auditor | Election Services | 4,221.09 |
| Neal's | Supplies | 130.00 |
| Oribiana, Nino  | Official | 109.00 |
| Parraguez, Luis  | Official | 310.68 |
| Performance Foodservice | Food Purchases | 19,920.25 |
| Pipe Pro, Inc. | Purchase Service | 1,202.71 |
| Plank Equipment | Purchase Service | 2,756.48 |
| R.M. Boggs Co. | Purchase Service | 11,708.88 |
| Refreshment Services Pepsi | Pop Purchases | 560.33 |
| Residence Inn Chicago Downtown/Loop | Travel | 7,527.80 |
| Rexco Equipment, Inc. | Purchase Service | 1,800.00 |
| River Products Company, Inc. | Supplies | 713.66 |
| Rock Valley Physical Therapy | Athletic Training Services | 185.63 |
| RSchoolToday | Purchase Service | 1,720.00 |
| Sal Vitale's Wapello | Cheer- Meals | 150.00 |
| Salgado, Victor  | Official | 77.24 |
| Schaub, George  | Official | 195.76 |
| Schwab Electric | Purchase Service | 9,715.51 |
| Sinclair Tractor | Supplies | 175.81 |
| Sorrell Glass | Purchase Service | 269.23 |
| Stern Recognition, Inc. | Supplies | 465.75 |
| Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC | Utilities | 1,051.55 |
| TCI | Supplies | 32.00 |
| Trophies Plus | Supplies | 49.26 |
| University of Iowa | Scholarships | 4,000.00 |
| Van Diest Supply Company | Supplies | 2,716.70 |
| Vetter Culligan Water | Supplies | 51.69 |
| Waldorf University | Scholarships | 1,125.00 |
| Wapello CSD | Entry Fees | 340.00 |
| Weikert, Gary  | Official | 107.88 |
| West Music Company | Supplies/Repairs | 2,769.14 |
| Winfield Builders | Supplies | 339.68 |
| Woodward, Bret  | Official | 358.64 |
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