

COON RAPIDS-BAYARD BOARD OF DIRECTORS
6:30 P.M. March 9, 2015

The Coon Rapids-Bayard Board of Directors met for the regular meeting in the Media Center at the Coon Rapids-Bayard Inter./Jr.-Sr. High School on Monday, March 9, 2015.

Vice President Leighty called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., Davis verified the public meeting notice posted in at least three locations (Jr.-Sr. High School Commons-Coon Rapids, IA, News Gazette-Bayard, IA, Coon Rapids Enterprise-Coon Rapids, IA and Coon Rapids Municipal Utilities-Coon Rapids, IA). Present on roll call: Davis, Lee, Leighty, McAlister, Schlatter, Principal Jorth, Principal Schwenk, Dr. Ward, and Sec'y Hopkins. Absent: Oswald and Rosenbeck.

Visitors: Cory Behrens, Elementary Teacher, Katie Mason, CR-B Education Foundation, and Kelsey Winnett, Student Rep.

Press Present: Charlie Nixon, *Coon Rapids Enterprise*.

Vice President Leighty welcomed visitors and press

McAlister moved to approve the amended agenda (add 9(c)), seconded by Schlatter. Ayes: Davis, Lee, Leighty, McAlister, and Schlatter. Motion carried 5-0-2.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public Input to Non-Agenda Items –

Katie Mason updated the board on the progress of the CR-B Education Foundation and of the upcoming “Grow CR-B Celebration & Faculty Appreciation Night” on Friday, April 17th.

REPORTS

Student Representatives –

Kelsey Winnett updated the board on the happenings at CR-B High School.

Principals -

Brent Jorth, 5-12 Principal, reported on the Tri-Term #2, Quarter 3 Grades and February Student of the Month, Darius O’Tool; Parent-Teacher Conferences, and Interviews, Resignations, Job Postings and Coaching Vacancies.

Margie Schwenk, PK-4 Principal, reported on Summer School planning, Missouri Trip planning, Family Reading Night (March 19) and Parent-Teacher Conferences Update.

School Business Official –

Sec’y Hopkins reported on the following items:

1. Reports update – FY16 District Audit is due April 15th, March 1st was the deadline for Open Enrollment Requests for 15-16 school year, and Nutrition Administrative Review is scheduled for March 12-13, 2015;
2. Financials Update – Gail reviewed the FY16 District Budget options with the board since there has not been a decision on the Allowable Growth %; and
3. Upcoming Meetings – 3/12-13 – Nutrition Administrative Review, 3/25-26 – IASBO Annual Spring Conference, and 3/26 – IASB Spring Workshop – Carroll – Strategic Board Governance.

Superintendent –

Dr. Ward reported on the following items: Brian Best Meeting – on 3/6 superintendents of county met with Brian Best to update on the concerns of Iowa Rural Schools; Principal Update – 12 applications have been received so far, after the applicants have been narrowed down a focus group of students, parents and staff will do interviews; Transportation Update – 3 applications have been received so far; and Legislative Update– updates on the school calendar bill, PPEL bills, Dropout and At-Risk bill, and the SSA.

DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

ACTION ITEMS

Davis moved to approve the following:

1. February 9th and 23rd, 2015 Minutes;
2. Bills and Claims; and
3. Financial Reports for February 2015, seconded by Lee. Ayes: Lee, Leighty, McAlister, Schlatter, and Davis. Motion carried 5-0-2.

Motion by Schlatter, seconded by McAlister to approve the following:

- 1) Directing Secretary Hopkins to publish the 2015-2016 District Certified Budget Hearing to be held Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. and
- 2) Approve the Annual Second Grade Missouri Trip May 18-22, 2015. Ayes: Leighty, McAlister, Schlatter, Davis and Lee. Motion carried 5-0-2.

The Board received three mowing bids for all school facilities: Lawns Perfected-Carroll, IA \$429.00 per mowing, Deeth Mowing-Coon Rapids, IA \$435.00 per mowing, and Carol Kenkel-Irwin, IA \$452.00 per mowing/24 mows. McAlister moved to accept the bid from Deeth Mowing, seconded by Lee. Ayes: McAlister, Schlatter, Davis, Lee and Leighty. Motion carried 5-0-2.

PERSONNEL

With great regret, Davis moved to approve the resignation from Brent Jorth as 5-12 Principal and At-Risk Coordinator effective at the end of his contract, June 30, 2015, seconded by McAlister. Ayes: Schlatter, Davis, Lee, Leighty and McAlister. Motion carried 5-0-2. A special “thank you” was extended for his dedicated service to CR-B.

Schlatter moved to approve the resignation from Heather Heiman as part-time English teacher/part-time study hall associate effective after the last day of the school year, seconded by Davis. Ayes: Davis, Lee, Leighty, McAlister, and Schlatter. Motion carried 5-0-2.

Motion by Davis, second by Schlatter to hire Hannah Warner as 5-12 Mathematics Teacher for 2015-2016 School Year, BA Step 0. Ayes: Lee, Leighty, McAlister, Schlatter and Davis. Motion carried 5-0-2.

NEGOTIATIONS

Moved by Schlatter, seconded by McAlister to approve 2015-16 Certified Staff total package increase of 3.06%, which includes the following salary items: base salary increase from \$29,950 to \$30,750 (\$800 increase), Longevity stipend increase from \$750 to \$800 (\$50 increase), and a Supplemental Salary Base increase from \$27,940 to \$30,750 (\$2,810 increase). Ayes: Leighty, McAlister, Schlatter, Davis and Lee. Motion carried 5-0-2.

Crusader Celebrations –

Dr. Ward – kudos to the FFA students that participated in the SW District Contests. Principal Jorth for the new format of P-T Conferences.

Principal Jorth – Congratulations to Individual Speech contestants, they all move on to State Speech.

Principal Schwenk – PK registration/meeting is Thursday, March 12th. The preliminary numbers look good!

The next meeting/board work session will be Monday, March 23, 2015.

Moved by McAlister, seconded by Davis to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m. Ayes: McAlister, Schlatter, Davis, Lee, and Leighty. Motion carried 5-0-2.