

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 20th, 2024

CERRO GORDO JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM

The regular meeting of the Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 Board of Education was called to order by President Freese at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Members Callaway, Curran, Freese, Howell, Miller, and Runyen answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Weidner, Principal Neaveill, and Principal Willard. Member Greenwood was absent.

Public Participation: Mr. Bebar announced he was at the meeting to take notes on a possible school board position in the future.

Two students were recognized by Principal Willard as being students of the month. Principal Willard presented an apple award to Mrs. Lovin.

Curran moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:38 p.m. for 5 ILCS 120/2 © (1) -The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body., 5 ILCS 120/2 © (10) – The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students, 5 ILCS 120/2 © (9) – Student disciplinary cases. Howell seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Runyen moved to return from executive session at 7:05 p.m. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Howell to approve the employment of Hannah Drumm-Gullett as a part-time elementary school cook. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Curran to approve an increase in substitute compensation from \$115 to \$130. Runyen seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Callaway to approve honorarium pay for Chad Corum for his role as assistant football coach. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Runyen to approve leave for Stacie Warren. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Curran moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Approve minutes of the October 16, 2024 regular meeting and October 23, 2024 special board meeting

Approve financial reports

Approve payment of November bills for the amount of \$1,008,520.09

Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Principal Neaveill reported the elementary school had midterms go home on November 15th; picture retakes were on November 15th; two teachers will be attending the Raising Student Achievement Conference on December 9th and 10th; two teachers will travel to Bloomington on November 21st to teach Reading Recovery lessons, Principal Neaveill and an aide will transport two children to Bloomington that day for the lessons; office staff are continuing to cover recess, lunch, BAS, and classrooms as we continue to be short substitute aides and substitute teachers; Health Life Safety visit is scheduled for November 26th; we are continuing to collect lunch and registration fees; on November 11th, the district honored Veteran's Day with an assembly in the auditorium and breakfast for the veterans, the American Legion and Auxiliary Post 117 presented the flags and retired the colors, Dr. Weidner gave the welcome speech and recognized the veterans, Mr. Pritchard lead the band, Mr. Schonert provided the video, Mr. Wilkey lead the students in song, Stacey Wildman designed and printed the programs; the elementary is collecting canned food items for the holiday baskets, baskets will be delivered to homes on December 19th and 20th; PK Night will be held on December 13th; music programs for the holidays are scheduled for December 4th for the band and choir concert and December 11th .

Principal Willard reported that Dr. Gilpin was recognized as the Decatur Rotary Teacher of the Month for October; the band participated in the Veteran's Day Parade in Monticello; FFA went to National Convention on October 23rd through October 25th; we hosted the JHBB tournament on November 9th through November 12th; JHGGB had regionals in November; the winter sports scrimmage included all of the youth league teams and was held on November 15th; Literary Preview Night was November 16th, Mrs. Lovin had over 30 students in Literary this year; Literary regional competition was November 16th; Mrs. Probst took the sophomores to HTA on November 13th, took a group of students to Kirby on November 14th, took students to Deland Weldon for a career fair on October 24th, took a group of students to RCC for Manufacturing Day on October 18th, and took a group of students to Illinois State for a Future Teachers of America conference on October 25th; Mr. Ridgeway is allowing the JH students to participate in a theatre program this year; the JH/HS attended the Bement Homecoming Parade on October 18th; flu shots were given on October 29th to all staff and students that wanted them.

Superintendent Weidner reported the 7th grade boys won the CG tournament championship; teachers are starting to prepare students for Remote Learning Days if needed; PK-12 staff participated in training on how to work with disruptive, challenging, and apathetic students on November 8th; Krysie Williams attended the Skycon Conference from November 12th through November 14th; Dr. Weidner attended a Community Spotlight presentation in Dieterich; Dr. Weidner also attended the Illinois State University Education Job Fair on November 12th; Dr. Weidner had a radio interview with Seth Laurence on November 13th; Dr. Weidner attended the girls JH basketball game on November 11th in Bement and the boys JH basketball games in Cerro Gordo on November 12th; a special board meeting was held on October 23rd to discuss strategic planning with members of the staff and community, Patrick Allen from IASB compiled the information that will be used as a starting point to develop short and long term goals for the school district.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

No action needed on the presentation of Illinois School Report Card Data.

Motion by Miller to approve adopting a resolution abating the tax levied for the year 2024 to pay debt service on Series 2017B Alternate Revenue Bonds. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Runyen to approve the Health Life Safety Survey Amendment. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Callaway to approve the 10 Year Health Life Safety Survey Contract with BLDD. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Howell to approve the FY25 School Maintenance Project Grant. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Callaway to approve Cartwheel Mental Health Contract and Memorandum of Understanding. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Howell to approve a resolution regarding estimated amounts necessary to be levied for 2024. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

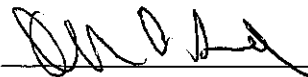
Starting Fund Balances as of July 1, 2024 were:


• 10 Education Fund:	\$4,631,672
• 20 Operations & Maintenance:	\$692,356
• 30 Debt Service:	\$364,557
• 40 Transportation:	\$348,705
• 50 IMRF/Social Security	\$99,054
• 60 Capital Projects:	\$257,093
• 70 Working Cash:	\$1,151,337
• 80 Tort	\$114,636
• 90 Fire Safety:	\$115,192

Motion by Runyen to approve a date for Truth in Taxation Hearing for December 18th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Freese seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

No action need on the FOIA update presented by Superintendent Weidner.

As there was no further action to come before the board, Freese declared the meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.


Secretary


President