

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 16, 2023
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 6:36 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Members Callaway, Curran, Freese, Greenwood, Howell, Miller, and Runyen answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Weidner, Principal Neaveill, and Principal Willard.

Public Participation and Correspondence: None

Curran moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:37 p.m. for 5 ILCS 120/2 © (1) – The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body and 5 ILCS 120/2 © (14) – Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for the purpose of approval by the body or semi-annual review of the minutes. Callaway seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Miller moved to return from executive session at 6:56 p.m. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Runyen moved to approve the minutes of executive session as having been read in executive session. Howell seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Curran to approve the addition and posting of a unit secretary position. Callaway seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Miller to approve changing of position of assistant HS volleyball coach to two .5 positions. Callaway seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion was made by Howell that the prior six months closed meeting minutes remain closed and all verbatim recordings that were eighteen months or older be destroyed.. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, 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 July 19, 2023 regular meeting and August 8, 2023 special meeting

Approve financial reports

Approve payment of August bills for the amount of \$492,247.97

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

Principal Neaveill discussed class lists and the hard work that goes into developing those lists; goals being focused on this year are communication, social/emotional learning, and math; Kindergarten back to school day was August 15th, the PTO had students sign certificates; new teacher orientation was held August 9th and feedback from the new staff was extremely positive; thank you to the custodial staff for their hard work over the summer; teachers received welcome back gifts during first faculty meeting; efforts continue to collect outstanding fees from 22-23 school year and collect fees for 23-24 school year; enrollment as of 8/11/23 for PK-5 is 243.

Principal Willard reported enrollment of JH at 99 and HS at 117; discussed fall sports teams and records; fall sports teams including JFL introduced on the football field on August 18th; participated in the county wide reunification drill with Bement and Deland-Weldon on August 15th; thank you to teachers and students that helped at the Back to School Night on August 10th.

Superintendent Weidner reported on the following: Liz Lang offered parent training on August 10th, attended by fifteen people; participated in a radio interview with WHOW and talked about excitement of starting a new year; waiting on chiller to arrive to finish updates on HVAC project at JHHS.

Unfinished Business: None

No action needed on the FOIA request from Prairie State Wire regarding substitute teachers and compensation for the last five years. Information sent to the requestor with no response received.

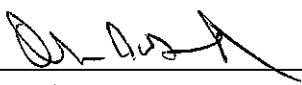
Motion by Curran to approve the tentative budget for FY24. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Curran, yea; Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea. Motion carried all yeas.


Motion by Miller to approve a resolution to transfer \$250,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund and then permanently transfer the \$250,000 to the Capital Projects Fund. Runyen seconded the motion. Roll call: Freese, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Motion by Miller to agree to pro bono representation up to six hours by Moore Tax Law Group for discussions with the IRS regarding proposed penalty. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Freese, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Discussion of Marshall Scholarship tabled and will be addressed as needed.

As there was no further action to come before the board, Freese declared the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.


Secretary


President