

CERRO GORDO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #100
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2026
CERRO GORDO JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM

The regular meeting of the Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 Board of Education was called to order by President Miller at 6:15 p.m. Members Bebar, Callaway, Curran, Greenwood, Howell, Miller, and Runyen answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Weidner, Principal Neaveill, and Principal Willard.

Principal Willard presented the Crystal Apple Award to Vicky Gilpin. Principal Willard also announced Aubri Long, Francisco Martinez, Mia Corpus, and Maci Willard as September Students of the Month.

Public Participation and Correspondence: None.

Curran moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:43 p.m. for 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) - the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (9) - student disciplinary cases; 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (10) - the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. Bebar seconded the motion. Roll call: Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Curran moved to return from executive session at 7:32 p.m. Runyen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

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

Curran moved to approve the hire of Abby Michalak as music/band teacher. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Runyen moved to approve the hire of Jordan Andrews as ½ band/jazz band and Abby Michalak as ½ band/jazz band sponsors. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Howell moved to approve the hire of Tina Henderson as part-time cook at the elementary school. Curran seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Runyen moved to approve the resignation of Steve Caldwell as part-time elementary cook. Bebar seconded the motion. Roll call: Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Curran moved to approve the appreciation of volunteer coaches Danny Durbin and MyCaela Miller. Howell seconded the motion. Roll call: Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Howell moved to approve tuition reimbursement agreements with Megan Shackelford and Christine Henderson. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Runyen moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The consent agenda consists of the following:

- Approve minutes of the August 19, 2026 regular meeting
- Approve financial reports
- Approve payment of September bills in the amount of \$182,172.01
- Approve annual teacher and administrator salary and benefits report
- Approve authorization of application for School Maintenance Project Grant FY27

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

Principal Neaveill reported students in grades 1-5 tested using the STAR Reading and STAR Math Assessments; the Leading to Reading for grades 1 and 2 started August 31st; Math Rtl groups and Reading Rtl groups began; midterms were sent home September 11th; fire drill safety was on August 25th; bus safety drills were on September 8th and 9th; we had our earthquake, tornado, fire, and evacuation drills on October 15th; school pictures were October 14th; vision and hearing screenings were on September 23rd; registration fees are being collected; Grandparent's Day was on September 11th; parent teacher conferences were September 30th and October 8th; the Scholastic Book Fair was September 21st; the Fannie May fundraiser ended September 3rd.

Principal Willard reported the NHS hosted a blood drive on September 2nd; Piatt County Mental Health started their "Too Good for Drugs" lessons with the junior high; junior high softball ended their season on September 14th; junior high baseball had their regional game September 18th; Volleyball is currently 9-3-1; junior high girls basketball started September 14th; Erin's Law trainings for Growing Strong has been completed; Ms. Tuel, Ms. Gower, Ms. Perry and Mr. Willard completed the CPI renewal training for 2026-2027.

Superintendent Weidner reported the high school visited Millikin on September 15th; SVCEO students presented at Rotary and learned about project management and start-up capital; five students attended the Kirby Healthcare Pathways program on September 17th; the PTO brought a ventriloquist in for the elementary students on September 18th; the fall sports COOP meeting is scheduled for September 29th; Dr. Weidner attended the ROE Reunification Team Training on August 27th; staff participated in Trauma Informed Teaching training on September 4th; nine staff members attended Crisis Prevention Intervention training; Ms. Parish is a finalist for a Rooted & Rising Grant for the library; State Bank of Bement Foundation donated a check to help assist students who needed school supplies; there are 6 paid sponsors for the video board in the gym; the FY26 Audit has been completed; Dr. Weidner and Chris Johnson met with Ameren to discuss energy efficiency and cost saving; Dr. Weidner contacted bleacher companies through the Sourcewell purchasing cooperative for proposal for grandstands and pressbox; the annual Health, Life, Safety inspection is scheduled for November; the district received five Freedom of Information Act requests.

Unfinished Business:

Curran moved to approve the FY27 school district budget. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

New Business:

No action needed on the Remote Learning Plan Renewal Discussion.

Miller moved to approve enrollment in Illinois Educators Risk Management Program from September 1st to December 31st, 2026. Howell seconded the motion. Roll call: Howell, yea; Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

Curran moved to authorize the application for FY 27 Teacher Vacancy Grant. Bebar seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yea; Runyen, yea; Bebar, yea; Callaway, yea; Curran, yea; Greenwood, yea; Howell, yea. Motion carried all yeas.

As there was no further action to come before the board, Miller declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.


Secretary


President