

Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, November 11, 2019 7:00 PM  
High School Media Center

## ROUTINE BUSINESS

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 4 visitors.  
Note Nebraska Open Meeting Laws

Excused Absences: All members were present.

Roll Call: Mike Bonacci: Present, Mike Conrad: Present, Jon Genoways: Present, Kim Lukasiewicz: Present, Amanda Schrum: Present, Kelli Shaner: Present

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

## PRESENTATIONS

American Education Week Proclamation: President Genoways read the proclamation.

Technology Report: Mr. Wilson gave an update on what's happening in technology. Four areas covered were infrastructure, staff devices, student devices and communication. The wifi access points have been updated to handle more devices at one time reducing downtime. Improved cabling and power management is making the server closets more stable. New servers have been ordered and will be installed and we now have an internal, not shared firewall. Staff devices have been updated and the ongoing updates of the 2013 allocations of laptops has been done. The next reallocation will be for 2015 purchased device replacements. They are also receiving more training on the Chrome Books. All students grades 6-12 are now on Chrome Books, grades K-5 have now received the reallocated iPads which gives them more devices per classroom with plans to use them better with more efficiency. We are replacing AlertNow as our connection with PowerSchool was broken with their last upgrade. We will now be using School Messenger which can be used for all notifications. Powerschool parent/guardian information will continue to be used to receive these notifications with added means to receive it. They can opt for one or all of voice, text, or e-mail. There were questions from the board about updating addresses, and training for parents on Chrome Books and the pros and cons of them. In conclusion, Mr. Wilson asked the board about what type of monthly technology report they would like to see and to let the administration know what they decide.

## REGULAR AGENDA

Public Participation: No one asked to address the board.

Approval of Claims: Moved that the Claims for November be approved in the amount of \$110,330.66 from the General Fund, and \$91,742.81 from Savings and Depreciation passed with a motion by Kelli Shaner and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. There was discussion about the bill from Wells Fargo and that it covered yearly fees to maintain our bonds; and the track resurface bill. Jon said the track looked fabulous. Dr. Johnson added the track is complete. It will be evaluated in the Spring to see if there are any needed fixes from cold weather.

Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Kelli Shaner. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. There was a question about the Committee minutes and it was an open, public meeting so there are formal minutes.

Standing Committee Reports: There were no reports.

2018-19 Audit: Moved that the 2018-19 audit of all funds of the Fort Calhoun Community Schools be approved as presented passed with a motion by Kim Lukasiewicz and a second by Mike Bonacci. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. Dr. Johnson explained what weaknesses and deficiencies in an audit are and that after a process of discussion and questions by the auditors, we have neither so the audit is good. The process seemed tougher than usual with additional items that are now mandated. They will follow up with the administration about the Activity Fund to remedy those issues, and this is the last year of our bid, so we will need to rebid the service for next year.

Resignation: Moved that the resignation of Dr. Don Johnson as superintendent be accepted at the conclusion of the current contract period - June 30, 2020 passed with a motion by Amanda Schrum and a second by Mike Conrad. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea. There were comments on how much Dr. Johnson has done for the District and his leadership, and he is one of the best advocates we have for our kids. He said it has been a journey to come to this decision and it has been an absolute pleasure to be a part of it for all these years. He's always had a good board and the District has been progressive from the start with a great staff and administration. He will love the time this will afford him with his family. Genoways said the board will meet to start the superintendent search.

Board Member Reports: Genoways reported there would be no superintendent evaluation this year. Conrad commented on how great the SkillsUSA Veterans program was and the scouts in uniform were pretty neat. Shaner agreed. Schrum thanked Mr. Wagner for his service. Jon Genoways reported that the Ad Hoc committee met with the city and there are grants available for engineers and architects and a more competitive one for some portion of the actual building. The city is planning to apply for them with us but we can still elect not to join with them later. The city is interested in us joining but this becomes difficult to be in conjunction with the elementary school. They want it on the current baseball field which presents problems for the school with recess, student crossing, and city infrastructure being run down Monroe Street. Joining with the city is complex and the school should have a backup plan to see how our current footprint can be expanded. The city wants it available for all the community including functions that would serve alcohol. We are still working on this.

#### Administrator Reports

Mr. Green: Parent Teacher Conference attendance numbers fluctuate from year to year which is not surprising; Juniors starting the preparation for the ACT by taking the PreACT with more prep classes to come, putting out their best effort, and having 11 new juniors this year; our junior high students attending a Life Skills Sportsmanship rally in Lincoln which was a great day, well organized, with good messages; the great SkillsUSA Veterans Program and the wonderful comments we received including "just when I thought things couldn't get any cooler at Fort Calhoun. . ."; Mr. High Horse and the Art Club working on another mural south of town; and the 8<sup>th</sup> graders and sophomores taking the ACT Aspire which is more of an aptitude test to help us identify strengths and build their schedules.

Mr. Wagner: Highlighted events including Morning with Mom; Safety Presentation and having Officer

Byelick in the building being a great resource; the Book Fair was a hit; presentations on bullying, mental health and how they align with our behavior model; extending literacy interventions to support the 4-6 graders; upcoming professional development; upcoming events; and the scheduled work days to prepare for Cognia formerly AdvancED for our April school improvement review.

Mr. Wemhoff: He was supervising an activity. His report included the Conference AD's meeting; NSAA District 2 meeting with women's wrestling again on the agenda; State Cross Country qualifiers; Conference awards for Softball and Volleyball; and upcoming events.

Superintendent Report: Contractors will be at the elementary this week to look at the building to bid on the addition; our SRO is doing a good job of being in the building, with kids and working with us on CrisisGo; a new parent notification system through Powerschool to replace Alert Now; presentations for staff regarding mental health issues; the upcoming State Education Conference; hiring a new Head of Maintenance who will bring a lot to the plate including hazmat training; the Finance Committee and administration taking a look at the maintenance/custodial budget in conjunction with our expanding campuses and buildings; and upcoming events.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Enter into Executive Session: Moved that the board of education move to executive session at 7:50 PM for the purpose of personnel and the evaluation of job performance clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

Reconvene in Open Session: Moved that the board of education reconvene in open session at 8:58 PM passed with a motion by Mike Conrad and a second by Kim Lukasiewicz. Mike Bonacci: Yea, Mike Conrad: Yea, Jon Genoways: Yea, Kim Lukasiewicz: Yea, Amanda Schrum: Yea, Kelli Shaner: Yea

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59PM.