

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
CLAY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

A regular session of the Clay Community Schools Board of Trustees was held in the Board Room of the Central Administrative Office, 1013 S. Forest Avenue, Brazil, IN, 47834, on Thursday, July 14, 2022. Ryan Keller, Michael Shaw, Lynn Romas, Andrea Baysinger, Tom Reberger, Amy Burke Adams, and Charley Jackson were present.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board President Tom Reberger led those in attendance in the pledge, and Superintendent Fritz offered the prayer.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Claims

B. Board Meetings

Executive Session: June 9, 2022

Regular Session: June 9, 2022

C. Field Trips

None

D. Personnel

A. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

1. Certified

a. FMLA (Maternity)

NCMS/Teacher

Nathan Hopf

2. Non-Certified

None

B. RETIREMENTS

1. Certified

None

2. Non-Certified

None

3. Place on Retirement Index

a. Retirement Index (7/1/22)

VBE

Gail Williams

b. Leave Day Buy-out (7/1/22-60 days)

VBE

Gail Williams

c. Longevity Stipend (7/29/22)

NCMS

Glen Gill

d. Longevity Stipend (7/29/22)

MES

Jennifer Wolfe

C. RESIGNATIONS

1. Certified

a. 1st Grade Teacher

VBE

Carrie Lovett

b. SPED Teacher

NHS

Aaron Edwards

2. Non-Certified

a. IA

VBE

Jessica Floyd

b. Bus Driver

Trans

Timothy Applegate

c. IA

CCE

Trisha Shonk

d. IA

CCE

Jada Bell

e. Nurse

Corp

Brandy Biddle

f. IA (Pre-K Title)

MES

Marjorie Kocher

g. Parent Liaison/IA

ESE

Erin Bechtel

3. ECA Resignations		
a. B/G Assistant Cross County Coach	NCMS	Ethan Linton
4. ECA Lay coaches	None	
D. TRANSFERS		
1. Certified		
a. Teacher (from MES to FPE)	FPE	Courtney Hetrick
2. Non-Certified		
a. Nurse (from VBE to FPE)	FPE	Penny Hood
E. EMPLOYMENT		
1. Certified		
a. Special Services Teacher	NHS	Abigail Sirianni
b. Science Teacher	NHS	Angela Johnson
c. Health Careers Teacher	NHS	Carol Raetz
d. Science (8 th Grade)	NCMS	Hannah Shepherd
e. Elementary Teacher (1 st Grade)	VBE	Jordan Bowen
f. Social Studies Teacher (6 th Grade)	NCMS	Jessica Mitchell
2. Non-Certified		
a. Custodian (185-day)	CCHS	Rebekah Combs
b. IA- ISS/COPE (29-hr)	CA	Terry Jeffers
c. IA (29-hr)	MES	Mallory Hayden
d. Cafeteria Manager(35-hr)	MES	Karen Sampson
e. IA (29-hr)	VBE	Hayley L. Johnson
f. IA (29-hr)	NCMS	Olivia Spugnardi
g. Custodian (185-day)	NCMS	Lloyd Dale Harris Jr.
h. IA (29-hr)	JTE	Adaria Warner
3. Supplemental	None	
F. EXTRA-CURRICULAR		
1. Extra-Curricular Certified		
a. JV Volleyball	CCHS	Kyndall Boyll
2. Extra-Curricular Non-Certified	None	
3. Extra-Curricular Lay Coach		
a. Boys' Cross Country Assist. Coach	NHS	Aaron Slater
b. Volleyball 9 th Grade Coach	NHS	Kaylee Pettiford
c. Football 9 th Grade Assist. Coach	NHS	Pat Brown
d. Football Varsity Assist. (50% position)	NHS	Dillon Bell
e. Football Varsity Assist. (50% position)	NHS	Dennis Raetz
f. Football Varsity Assist. (50% position)	NHS	John McClain
g. Football Varsity Assist. Coach	NHS	David White
h. Varsity Volleyball Coach	CCHS	Bradi Oberholtzer
i. Head Varsity Boys Soccer Coach	NHS	JP Arvin

j. Assist. Boys' Soccer Coach	NHS	Kevin Strahla
k. Girls' Cross Country Assist. Coach	NHS	Terry Jeffers
l. Football Varsity Assist. (50% position)	NHS	Jordan Forquer
m. Cross Country Head Coach	NCMS	Sam Brown
n. Volleyball 8 th Grade Coach	NCMS	Alisha Long
o. Volleyball 7 th Grade Coach	NCMS	Stacy Dotson
p. Football 7/8 Head Assist. Coach (\$1,325.00)	NCMS	Brandon Rollings
q. Football 7/8 Assist. Coach (\$1,000.00)	NCMS	Parker Jordan
r. Football 7/8 Assist. Coach (\$675.00)	NCMS	Evan Rollings
s. Football 7/8 Assist. Coach (\$675.00)	NCMS	Jarrod Sampson
t. Football 7/8 Assist. Coach (\$675.00)	NCMS	Dillon White
4. Supplemental	None	
G. CHANGES		
1. Certified	None	
2. Non-Certified		
a. Maintenance <i>(effect. 6/12/22 will move to \$17.63 per hour)</i>	Corp	Rodney Smith
b. Athletic Asst. <i>(effect. 7/25/22 increase hours to 1700)</i>	CCHS	Rodney Smith
c. IA- Pre-K Title <i>(change from 29-hr to 15-hr)</i>	ESE	Lynda Tomhave
d. Secretary <i>(change from 210 to 205-day contract)</i>	NCMS	Kayla Fisher
e. Secretary <i>(change from IA to Secretary 220-day)</i>	CCHS	Emily Wells
3. ECA-Lay Coaches	None	
H. VOLUNTEERS		
1. CLASSROOM	None	
2. ATHLETICS/ECA		
a. Boys' Cross County Assist. Coach	NHS	Jeff Walker
b. Boys' Cross Country Assist. Coach	NHS	Cam Trout
c. Girls' Cross Country Assist. Coach	NHS	Sydney Trout
d. Girls' Soccer Assist. Coach	NHS	Jared Gibbens
e. Girls' Soccer Assist. Coach	NHS	Ed Brown
f. Football Assist. Coach	NHS	Derek Hannahs
g. Football Assist. Coach	NHS	Jonathan Bradshaw
I. TERMINATIONS	None	
J. Suspension Without Pay	None	
K. NON-RENEWAL	None	

Mr. Keller moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

III. Comments from Patrons

None

IV. Old Business

A. Board Policy 5410 - Promotions, Placement, & Retention – Revision – Second Reading

Mrs. Adams moved to approve the second reading of Board Policy 5410. No changes were proposed during the first reading at the June 9 regular session. Mrs. Baysinger seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

B. Board Policy 9260 – Chaperones- Second Reading

Mr. Romas moved to approve the second reading of Board Policy 9260. No changes were proposed during the first reading at the June 9 regular session. Superintendent Fritz noted this policy was included in the old policy handbook and felt it needed to be added to the Neola policy handbook. Mr. Keller seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

V. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Fritz noted:

- Welcome to new hires Abigail Sirianni, Angela Johnson, Carol Raetz, Hannah Shepherd, Jordan Bowan, Jessica Mitchell, Rebekah Combs, Terry Jeffers, Mallory Hayden, Karen Sampson, Hayley Johnson, Olivia Spugnardi, Lloyd Dale Harris, and Adaria Warner.
- Reminder of the Special Session Board Meeting scheduled for August 1 at 6:30 p.m. to approve last-minute hires before school starts and a couple of other items could be added.
- Noting it has been a busy summer for central office administrators and is looking forward to a more “normal” school year and getting things started.

VI. New Business

A. New Director of Business Affairs Items

In January of each year, agenda items related to the Director of Business Affairs are recommended to the board. With Mr. John Szabo beginning his position as the new Director of Business Affairs, it was recommended to approve the following:

- That John Szabo be appointed as the treasurer
- That the school corporation bond John Szabo for \$300,000
- That John Szabo be appointed as a member of the Bid Opening Committee

Dr. Shaw moved to approve the new Director of Business Affairs items. Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

B. Residential Placements Resolution

A resolution to allow for placement of special education students in alternative services and private residential school placements was included in the board packet. This resolution is signed each year.

Mr. Jackson moved to approve the Residential Placements Resolution. Mr. Keller seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0.

C. Consideration to Approve Litigation- Related Agreement

Mrs. Baysinger moved to approve the information that was shared with the board regarding a litigation-related agreement developed by one of the school attorneys. Mrs. Adams seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

D. Textbook Rental and Class Fees for the 2022-23 School Year

Dr. Shaw moved to approve the proposed textbook rental and class fees for the 2022-23 school year that was included in the board packet. Superintendent Fritz showed appreciation for Mrs. Kathy Knust and Mrs. Jorita Wilson for their efforts on the proposed fees. Mr. Romas seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

E. Brazil Public Library Board Appointment

Per Indiana code, local school boards are required to be involved in the appointment process of their public library board members. Mr. Jackson moved to appoint Mrs. Shelly Watson to the Brazil Public Library Board. Mrs. Watson will serve from July 31, 2022, thru July 31, 2026. Mr. Romas seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

F. Consideration to Name the Clay City Elementary Principal

A recommendation was provided to the board to name Mr. Brent Vaught as the next Clay City Elementary Principal. The position will consist of a 200-day contract, and Mr. Vaught will receive the salary and benefits addressed in the CCS Administrator Handbook.

Mr. Jackson moved to approve Mr. Vaught as the next Clay City Elementary Principal. Mrs. Adams seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

VII. Board Member Comments

Charley Jackson welcomed new hires and Mr. Vaught. Thanks were extended to Mrs. Knust and Dr. Rayle for their work this summer, and he's excited about the new school year.

Amy Burke Adams recognized the summer help that has been working at the buildings during the break and noted the updates she has noticed to get the facilities ready for the students. She hopes all students, staff, and parents are having a safe and relaxing summer and welcomed all new hires.

Andrea Baysinger offered congratulations to Mr. Vaught for the well-deserved promotion.

Lynn Romas congratulated the new hires and Mr. Vaught. He showed appreciation towards the central office staff and administration at the buildings as they remained busy this summer to get school started this fall.

Michael Shaw welcomed Mr. Vaught and extended appreciation to Mrs. Knust, Mr. Ross, Dr. Rayle, and Mrs. Knox.

Ryan Keller welcomed Mr. Vaught, offered thanks to everyone, and is excited to get started back to school.

Tom Reberger mentioned all children are welcome at Clay Community Schools, even if they live outside of the district. If homeschooling isn't working out, students are always welcomed back to CCS. "We want to be a success, we are going to be a success, we are a success."

VIII. Future Agenda Items

None

IX. Adjournment

Having exhausted all agenda items, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

The meeting was audio recorded, and copies may be requested by contacting the Central Administration Office.