

March 14, 2022

Regular Session

The Schaller-Crestland Board of Education, along with the Galva-Holstein Board of Education, met in regular session on March 14, 2022 in the media center of the Galva-Holstein School, Holstein, IA. The following board members were present: Christy Horan, Kory Blum, Matt Cress, and Steve Mason. Others present were: members of the Galva-Holstein board, Supt. Wiebers, Brd. Sec'ry Wandrey, Principals: Anderson, Sussman, Rinnan, and Bellinghausen, Adam Bisenius, and Allan Friedrichsen. Absent: Mike Schmitt.

Call to order at 6:04 pm by President Christy Horan.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 4-0.

Allan Friedrichsen addressed the board with a few concerns he had. He was disappointed in the amount of teachers present for the conferences last Thursday while the 8th grade orientation was taking place.

At 6:13 pm President Horan opened the meeting up for public comment on the FY22/23 school year calendar. Supt. Wiebers reviewed a few key points on the calendar. With no comments from the public, President Horan closed the open meeting at 6:15pm.

Motion by Cress, second by Mason to approve the February 14, 23, and 24 meeting minutes as published. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Blum to approve the payment of districts bills. (Cress reviewed prior to the meeting) Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve the February 2022 financial report as presented by Brd. Sec'ry Wandrey. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve the following resignations: Stephanie Wandrey/middle school volleyball, Mitch Lyons/middle school girl's basketball, and Jennifer Mayes/teacher. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to terminate the employment of Jesse Barnett, Food Service Director. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve the hiring contract for Kaylene Henningson, BA+12 Step 8, second grade teacher, at a salary of \$44,925 including TSS. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Mason to approve Brian Hoepfner to do the fieldwork at the Early school ballfields at a salary of \$930. He will also assist in mowing and taking care of the grounds at an hourly rate of \$12.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Blum to approve Randa Hoover as interim head cook for the remainder of the fiscal year at an hourly rate of \$25.00. Motion carried 4-0.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of SCHALLER-CRESTLAND Community School District, will levy property taxes for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under

section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Motion by Blum, second by Mason. Roll Call: Ayes: Horan, Blum, Cress, and Mason. Nays: None. Absent: Schmitt. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Mason, second by Cress to approve the FY 22/23 school year calendar. Also, approved the State Dead Week (no athletics during this time except for state softball/baseball) from July 21 to July 31st. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve athletic sharing for the FY 22/23 school year, as part of the whole grade sharing. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to set the annual budget hearing for April 11, 2022 in the Schaller-Crestland media center, Schaller, IA at 6:45 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Blum to approve the Teachers Master Contract Agreement for FY 22/23 school year. This agreement increases the Teaching Base Salary on Schedule A by \$1,400, increasing the base wage to \$36,000. Teachers will remain on the current step on the salary schedule. This would be a 3.11% increase. Teachers would also receive a one-time payment of \$1,000 per full-time basis in November or December (as regular payroll payment method). This would be a projected cost of \$37,117.56. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve two quotes from Central US Coating. Quote A is for \$6,000 to epoxy the kitchen floor. Quote B is \$25,000 to epoxy the lunchroom floor in Schaller. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Mason to approve the quote from Imagine Learning for \$32,901.40. This is the new elementary reading curriculum. Motion carried 4-0.

The Board took up and considered matters relating to participating in a joint agreement relating to the establishment of a local government risk pool.

After due consideration and discussion, Director Blum introduced the resolution below and moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Director Cress. After due consideration, the President put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Directors voted:

Ayes: Horan, Blum, Cress, Mason

Nays: None.

Absent: Schmitt

Whereupon, the President declared the resolution duly adopted, as follows:

Resolution approving the participation by the School District in a joint agreement establishing local government risk pools

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Schaller-Crestland CSD Community School District in the County (Counties) of Sac, State of Iowa (the "School District") is required by Section 274.3 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, to operate, control and supervise all public schools within the boundaries of the School District and is authorized to exercise any broad and implied power not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Iowa and administrative rules adopted by state agencies pursuant thereto, related to the operation, control and supervision of those public schools; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 670.7, subsection 1 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, the School District may join and pay funds into a local government risk pool to protect the School District against any and all liability, loss of property, or any other risks associated with the operation of the School District and the costs of local government risk pools shall be included in the School District's management levy as provided

in Section 296.7 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, or, if the School District has not certified a management levy, the costs shall be paid from the School District's general fund; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 296.7 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, the School District may enter into agreements obligating the School District to make payments beyond its current budget year to establish and maintain local government risk pools to protect the School District from tort liability, loss of property, environmental hazards or any other risk associated with the operation of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School District is authorized pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa, as amended, to enter into joint agreements with other public agencies and with private agencies (both as defined therein) for the joint exercise of powers, privileges and authorities exercised or capable of being exercised by the School District; and

WHEREAS, because of the fluctuation of the costs of natural gas and variability of the quantities of natural gas used by the School District caused by changes in winter weather conditions, it is in the best interests of the School District to enter into a joint agreement with other public agencies, in substantially the form as has been presented to and considered by the Board (the "Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement" or the "Agreement") providing for the forming and creation of the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Commission (the "Commission") for the purpose of establishing one or more local government risk pools (together, the "Local Government Risk Pools") to help the participating public agencies mitigate budget risks associated with winter heating and other natural gas consumption, to enter into contractual arrangements with private parties to access natural gas for the benefit of the participating public agencies, to establish premiums to be paid by the participating public agencies, to pool their risks and stabilize gas prices annually and to facilitate the purchase by and delivery to the participating public agencies of natural gas periodically;

NOW, THEREFORE, It Is Hereby Resolved by the Board of Directors of the School District, as follows:

Section 1. The participation by the School District in the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement and the Local Government Risk Pools established in accordance therewith are hereby approved.

Section 2. The Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement is hereby approved, and the President and Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to accept and execute the same and any related documents for and on behalf of the School District.

Section 3. The Board shall determine from time to time which, if any, of the Local Government Risk Pools established by the Commission are appropriate for the School District to participate in and shall enter into such related documents and agreements as may be necessary in connection therewith and the President and Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the same for and on behalf of the School District.

Section 4. To the extent that the School District incurs obligations to pay premiums or other costs in connection with such Local Government Risk Pools, the Board agrees to include in its annual budget sufficient funds to pay such obligations each fiscal year from its management levy and/or general fund levy.

Section 5. The President and the Board Secretary (or their acting designees) are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all agreements, documents and instruments required in connection with the Agreement and to carry out the purposes set forth in this resolution.

Section 6. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved the 14th day of March.

Christy Horan
President, Board of Directors

Attest:

Stephanie Wandrey,

Secretary, Board of Directors

Motion by Cress, second by Mason to approve the FY 22/23 AEA Purchasing Agreement. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Blum to allow the payment to the qualified teachers the Governors Teacher Retention Payment. Also, due to systemic staff shortages in the state, staff vacancies in our district, in anticipation of continues shortages and additional responsibilities, and anticipation of additional duties for all staff to assist with on-site, on-going pandemic mitigation, to reinforce our desire to retain our employees, the certified teachers not included in the Teacher Retention Payment receive a one-time incentive equal to what the teachers will receive from the Governor's Teacher Retention Payment. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve the Cooperative Agreement with University of Northern Iowa for student teachers. Motion carried 4-0

Motion by Mason, second by Cress to approve the Cooperative Agreement with Morningside College for student teachers. Motion carried 4-0.

The board was presented with the FY20/21 school audit. Motion by Cress, second by Blum to accept the FY 20/21 school audit. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve the agreement with Stevenson Studios for the school photographer. Motion carried 4-0.

Supt. Wiebers stated the districts will continue to follow the current CDC guidelines for COVID-19 maters.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress at 7:32 pm to enter into closed session in accordance to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge are being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Horan, Blum, Cress, and Mason. Nays: None. Absent: Schmitt. Motion carried 4-0.

At 7:50 pm a motion by Cress, second by Mason to come out of closed session. Roll call: Ayes: Horan, Blum, Cress, Mason. Nays: None. Absent: Schmitt. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Cress, second by Blum to approve the SBO wage increase and benefits for FY 22/23 school year for Steph Wandrey. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve the split cost of paying 30 unused vacation days to Supt. Jon Wiebers. Motion carried 4-0.

With nothing further to discuss, President Christy Horan adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.