

April 11, 2022

Regular Board Meeting

The Schaller-Crestland Board of Education, along with the Galva-Holstein Board of Education, met in regular session on Monday, April 11, 2022, in the gym of the Schaller-Crestland Elementary School, Schaller, IA. The following board members were present: Christy Horan, Kory Blum, Steve Mason, Mike Schmitt, and Matt Cress. Others present were: members of the Galva-Holstein board, Supt. Wiebers, Brd. Sec'y Wandrey, Principals: Sussman, Rinnan, and Bellinghausen, Carey Schmidt, Clarence Hansen, Bill Cougill, Jeff Hansen, and Lindsay Hensen.

Call to order at 7:00 pm by President Christy Horan.

Motion by Blum, second by Schmitt to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 5-0.

In public comments, Clarence Hansen (former board member), Bill Cougill, and Jeff Hansen all spoke to the boards in regards to the whole grade sharing agreement letter that was sent to the Schaller-Crestland Board last week. All three members voiced their concerns on how it was handled by the Galva-Holstein District. They felt that the boards have worked together extremely well these last 11 years, but when a conflict arises, they need to work it out. All three felt that this is a sharing agreement, and that Galva-Holstein cant have everything. Things (activities) need to be shared between the districts. Carey Schmidt (former board member) spoke to the board in his disappointment in how the boards aren't taking the recommendations that Supt. Wiebers is bringing to the boards. He felt that was the purpose of a superintendent, if we aren't going to trust their recommendations, why do we have one. He stated that when he was on the board, the best education the board members receive is attending the School Board Convention in the fall. He didn't feel that board members are taking advantage of that knowledge which would help guide them in making better decisions for our districts. Lindsay Hensen asked the board why there hasn't been a public meeting regarding the whole grade sharing agreement. Director Blum did advise Ms. Hensen that will take place in the next coming months, the board is still trying to process and discuss their options.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve the March 14, 2022 meeting minutes as published. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Mason, second by Blum to approve the payment of district bills as presented. (Mason approved prior to the meeting) Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Cress to approve the March 2022 financial report as presented by Brd. Sec'y Wandrey. Motion carried 5-0.

The three principals present gave a brief overview of their current building happenings.

Motion by Cress, second by Schmitt to approve the resignation of Jaqi Joy, Wee Wildcat Employee, and Mitch Lyons, middle school teacher and coach. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Mason to approve the hiring of Jennifer Jochims as ½ time 3-year old preschool teaching position at a salary of \$19,725, including \$1,700 TSS. Upon the completion of her special education degree, she will then receive an additional \$9,012 for the remainder of the year. Motion carried 5-0.

Public hearing will take place on May 9, 2022 to amend the current 21/22 School Budget. This will take place in the Schaller-Crestland Business Administration Office, Schaller, IA at 6:20 pm.

Motion by Blum, second by Schmitt to approve the 2022-2023 Certified Staff Recommendations. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Cress to approve an administrator contract for Principal Andersen for a total package (salary and insurance) increase of 5.02%, and an administrator contract for Principal Bellinghausen for a total package (salary and insurance) increase of 3.44%. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Blum, second by Schmitt to approve the wage increase for the transportation routes and shuttles by 3.69%, wage increase for Brady Luy of 3.96%, as well, as providing a \$500 stipend to Melanie Pyle and Jane Schomaker. This motion was then amended by Blum, second by Schmitt to pay a \$500 stipend to M. Pyle and \$1,000 stipend to J. Schomaker. Motion carried 4-0 (Cress abstained).

Motion by Cress, second by Schmitt to approve the purchasing of the 72 passenger Blue Bird bus from School Bus Sales in the amount of \$123,850. The motion was then amended by Cress, second by Schmitt to add a bus arm camera to the bus bid. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Blum, waving the second reading, second by Mason to approve the updates to the 507-508 Board Policies as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mason, second by Schmitt to approve two fundraisers for the high school. One a Krispy Kreme fundraiser for the eSports team and the Card Selling Fundraiser the fall sports did a few years ago. Motion carried 5-0.

No updates were made to the Return to Learn Plan.

In other discussion, Supt. Wiebers advised the boards that the schools will dismiss an hour early on May 12, as the district is hosting a state qualifying meet in Holstein. He also stated that graduation will take place on May 22 at 2 pm in the North Gym of the Galva-Holstein High School. All four buildings within the district were approved to serve the summer meal programs through 2025. This will be onsite eating only.

With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Horan at 8:20 pm. The next regular scheduled board meeting is May 9th in Holstein.