

Minutes
Appleton City R-2 School District
Regular Board Meeting
October 21, 2020
HS Commons 7:00 p.m.

Board President, Catherine Brownsberger called the meeting to order. Members present: Stephanie Preston, Jessica McClure, Nick Oehring, Janet Payton, Craig Siegismund and Sandra Long. Others present: Superintendent, Joe Dunlap, Jim Gurney, Sarah Miller, Karen Murray, Nelma Thomas, Nicole Piepmeier, Jessica Dines, Brittani Bartz, Brittany Simms w/OPAA and Anna Parsons.

The Board opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board President, Catherine Brownsberger declared a Quorum to exist.

McClure made a motion, second Oehring to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
Motion carried 7-0.

New Business

Introduction of Brittani Simms with OPAA.

Public Comment: Jessica Dines concerning Drug Testing.

Oehring made a motion, Payton to approve the October 2020 Bus Ridership list as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Oehring made a motion, second by Long to approve MSBA Policy, Procedures and Form updates:
Policies: BBFA,DC,DFI,DJF,GBAD,GBCA,GBCBA,GBEBB,GCBA,IC,IHB,IKF,JCB,JCC,JECA,JFG,JFGA,JG,JHCB
Procedures: DC-AP1, GBAD-AP1, GBEBB-AP3, JFCL-AP1 and JFG-AP1
Form Code: GBAD-AF1, JFCL-AF1 and JFG-AF1.
Motion carried 7-0.

Long made a motion, second by Payton to set a limit of \$30.00 for faculty & staff Christmas gift. A committee will be set up to determine what faculty and staff would like. Motion carried 7-0.

Old Business

Discussion only: E-Value 8 Student Progress Report by Sarah Miller. Sarah will bring a progress report every month.

McClure made a motion, second by Oehring to approve Policy EBB Update as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Items presented by Administrative Team

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Superintendent, Joe Dunlap

A reminder that the “hold harmless” waiver that Governor Parson put in place this June is still in force through December 30, 2020. What happens after that is still uncertain. I am updating the Board at this time since we are in the first month of the 2nd quarter of our fiscal year. Our hold harmless protection has always guaranteed a minimum total basic formula payment for the year of \$1,119,261. This is \$156,407 less than the hold harmless floor amount. There has been improvement since July but we haven’t met the Governor’s goal of “making us whole” yet. I will monitor and report again as to our status in December.

Temperature checks have resumed in the district. In order to make the process less time consuming, we have ordered an additional digital “swipe” thermometers like the ones we have now and will assign each elementary teacher and all first hour teachers in middle and high school thermometer and have them take temperatures of their first hour class at the beginning of class. They will record and report any kids running a temperature to Nikki at that time.

With board meetings in our new location, it is harder for Nelma or Karen to hear and take minutes of the proceedings. To help the situation, we are going to begin taping the audio of our meeting in November. This will make it possible to check notes for minutes against the tape. This is legal according to policy and doesn’t require a vote.

The administrative team is currently working on ideas and plans for creating a distance learning center in district for “hardship” students in situations where distance learning at home during quarantine would leave them alone or unsupervised. Ideas investigated so far would monitor social distanced space for about 6 to 12 students at a time but would require parents to provide transportation for their student(s) to and from school. This is in the early stages, so watch your emails for developments and details in this area.

MS/HS – Jim Gurney

Enrollment: 185 Attendance: 97.0%

Upcoming dates: 10/24 – WEMO VB Tournament @ Rich Hill
 10/26 – Teacher PD Day/Parent-Teacher Conferences
 10/27 – FFA Trick-or-Treat for canned food
 11/6 – FFA Bonfire/Games
 11/13 – Picture Retakes

Remote Learning Update: Currently 18 remote learners
Parent/Teacher Conferences
It’s A Great Day to be a Bulldog!

EL – Sarah Miller

Enrollment: 146 Distance Learning Students: 2 Attendance: 97.45%

September Students of the Month: Stetson Coleson, Gunner Herda, Aaron Bollig, Thaddius Moore, Luke Pole, Harper Grishow, Easton Gwinn, Ella Preston, Sarah Nichols

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October 21: 1st Quarter Ends

- Red Ribbon Week 10/27 – 10/30/2020
- “Be Happy, Be Brave, Be Drug Free”
- Ribbons: “Let’s Taco ‘Bout Being Drug Free”
- Tuesday – “Follow Your Dreams” Pajama Day
- Wednesday – “Be All You Can Be, Drug Free “Camo Day”
- Thursday – “Life is a Fiesta! Live it Drug Free” Wear bright colors
- Friday – “Paws-itively Proud to Be Drug Free” Wear Red/Bulldog
- Fall Fun Day is next Friday, 10/30/2020. Thank you PTO!
- Picture Re-Take Day is November 13, 2020
- We will continue E-Valuate testing this month. During the morning of October 26th’s PD Day, teachers will look at data and create “action plans” to help remediate student learning gaps.
- Title Data meetings have started have started and will be held twice a month.
- Election Day is November 3rd.
- School is in session on Monday, November 23rd.

A copy of e-Valuate Testing results were presented to the BOE to look at.

Jessica McClure had questions concerning seating and contact tracing she would like it available on the website for community to see.

Next Regular meeting is Wednesday, November 18, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Appleton City Board of Education having duly voted to close its open meeting.

McClure made a motion, second by Oehring to go into closed meeting @ 8:44 p.m. Closed vote & Record to Consider, Personnel Matters to Section 610.021 (6). Roll call vote: McClure-yes, Preston-yes, Oehring-yes, Payton-yes, Siegismund-yes, Long-yes and Brownsberger-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

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Adjournment @ 8:44p.m.

Board President, Catherine Brownsberger

Board Secretary, Jessica McClure