

Clare Board of Education  
Clare Public Schools

**Regular Board Meeting – August 10, 2020 – Meeting Minutes**

Due to COVID-19, Executive Orders required electronic meeting via Zoom for public participation  
7:00 p.m.

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Browning called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. Roll Call**

The recorder called the roll as follows: Browning, Cole, MacDonald, Miller, Murawski, Stark, Tyler.

Roll call indicated six (6) Board members were present: Browning, Cole, MacDonald, Murawski, Stark, Tyler.

Roll call indicated one (1) Board member was absent: Miller

*\* Mr. Miller indicated prior to the meeting that he may be late or unable to attend.*

Leadership Team Present: Kruskamp, Walter

**4. Approval of Consent Agenda**

It was moved by Murawski and supported by MacDonald to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. No: 0. **Motion Carried 6-0**

**a. Approval of Agenda (Action)**

Approved the Board agenda for August 10, 2020, as presented.

**b. Approval of Minutes (Action)**

Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2020, as presented.

Approved the Closed Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2020, as presented.

**c. Approval of Bills Payable (Action)**

Approved bills payable for July 2020, in the amount of \$352,439.23 as presented.

Approved for July 2020, gross payroll of \$820,892.74 and net payroll of \$527,589.46 as presented.

**5. Correspondence**

None.

## **6. Recognition of Citizens**

None.

## **7. Other Recognitions/Presentations**

None.

## **8. Student Body Representative**

No report this month.

## **9. Education Boosters Report**

No report this month.

## **10. Sports Boosters Report**

No report this month.

## **11. Band Boosters Report**

Report included in packet.

## **12. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Walter reported that Clare Public Schools will be having Kindergarten Bootcamp again this year. He shared with the Board that Officer Brian David was recently in New York receiving drone/flight training to assist in instructing that course. Superintendent Walter reported that heading into the 2020-2021 school year, Clare Public Schools is now 1:1 with technology, each student receiving a device K-12. Mr. Walter informed the Board that block scheduling was being explored as a possible option for Clare Middle and High Schools due to COVID.

## **13. Administrative Reports**

Administrative reports were included in the Board packet from the following:

- Amber Kruskamp - Finance Reports
- Steve Newkirk - Clare Middle School
- Matt Forsberg - Clare High School
- Cathy Wirth - State & Federal Programs/Instructional Coach
- Brian Beebe - Athletics

## **14. Committee Reports**

None.

## **15. Discussion Items**

### **a. Clare High School Curriculum Proposal (1st Reading) (Discussion)**

The Board discussed the curriculum proposal for two new classes at Clare High School in Advanced Health and Cultural Studies.

### **b. Pioneer Adult Education Curriculum Proposal (1st Reading) (Discussion)**

The Board discussed the curriculum proposal for three new classes at Pioneer High School for adult education students:

- Soft Skills: The 11 Essential Career Soft Skills
- Job Interviewing: Complete Job Interview Success
- Conflict Management in the Workplace

**c. Board Policy Update (1st Reading) (Discussion)**

The Board discussed policy 2266 regarding Title IX for adoption.

**16. Action Items**

**a. Student Handbook Changes (2nd Reading) (Vote)**

It was moved by Tyler and supported by Stark that the Board approve the proposed changes to the district's 2020-2021 student handbooks.

Ayes: 6

No: 0

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**b. Clare High School Curriculum Proposal (2nd Reading) (Vote)**

It was moved by Stark and supported by Tyler that the Board approve the adoption of the two proposed classes into the curriculum of Clare High School:

- Advanced Health
- Cultural Studies

Ayes: 6

No: 0

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**c. Pioneer Adult Education Curriculum Proposal (2nd Reading) (Vote)**

It was moved by Murawski and supported by Stark that the Board approve the adoption of the three proposed classes into the curriculum of Pioneer High School for adult education students:

- Soft Skills: The 11 Essential Career Soft Skills
- Job Interviewing: Complete Job Interview Success
- Conflict Management in the Workplace

Ayes: 6

No: 0

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**d. Board Policy Update (2nd Reading) (Vote)**

It was moved by Stark and supported by MacDonald that the Board approve policy 2266 regarding Title IX.

Ayes: 6

No: 0

**Motion Carried: 6-0**

**e. Approval of Candidate (Vote)**

It was moved by Murawski and supported by Tyler that the Board approve Molly Michaels for employment as a Kindergarten Teacher at Clare Primary School.

Ayes:

No:

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**f. Auditor Selection (Vote)**

It was moved by Cole and supported by Murawski that the Board select Weinlander Fitzhugh for auditor services for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023.

Ayes: 5

No: 0

Abstain: 1 (Browning)

**Motion Carried 5-0**

**g. Letter of Agreement - Clare Education Association (CEA) (Vote)**

It was moved by Stark and supported by Tyler that the Board approve the Letter of Agreement with the Clare Education Association (CEA) regarding use of personal leave days before and after Opening Day of Deer Season for the 2020-2021 school year.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Browning, Cole, MacDonald, Murawski, Stark, Tyler

No: None

Absent: Miller

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**h. Adoption of Return to Learn Plan (Vote)**

It was moved by Murawski and supported by Stark that the Board adopt the district's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Browning, Cole, MacDonald, Murawski, Stark, Tyler

No: None

Absent: Miller

**Motion Carried 6-0**

**i. Authorize Superintendent to Explore Renovation and Replacement Options for Clare Middle School (Vote)**

It was moved by Stark and supported by MacDonald to authorize Superintendent Walter to explore renovation and replacement options for Clare Middle School.

Ayes: 6

No: 0

**Motion Carried 6-0**

## **17. Recognition of Citizens**

None.

## **18. Recognition of the Board**

Ms. Murawski thanked Superintendent Walter and the Return to Learn committees for their great work. She shared that she is looking forward to the start of the school year.

Mr. Browning shared his appreciation for everyone's work.

Mr. Cole echoed the previous comments of appreciation for everyone's hard work this summer.

Ms. Tyler reported that the new bleachers at Brookwood look nice. She also shared that it was nice to hear the band rehearsing.

Mr. MacDonald reported that he has heard many positive comments in the community regarding the band, athletes, and coaches. He welcomed Molly Michaels to the staff and thanked the Return to Learn teams for their approaches on getting back to school.

## **19. Closed Session (Vote)**

It was moved by Tyler and supported by MacDonald for the Board to enter into closed session to discuss collective bargaining unit negotiations.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Browning, Cole, MacDonald, Murawski, Stark, Tyler

No:

Absent: Miller

**Motion Carried 6-0**

The Board adjourned into closed session at 7:35 p.m.

The Board resumed open session at 8:16 p.m.

## **20. Adjournment**

Mr. Browning adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

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Sue Murawski  
Secretary, Clare Board of Education

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Jennifer M. Brutyn  
Recorder, Clare Board of Education