

Regular Meeting

March 21, 2012

The Carroll Consolidated School met in regular meeting March 21, 2012, 1:00 p.m. at the Carroll Jr./Sr. High School Media Center. Those attending were Board members Sam Zook, Eric Johnson, Richard Eller, Michelle Simmons, and David Lambert. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Chris Lagoni, School Attorney Miriam Robeson, Principals Charles Huckstep and Carolyn O'Connell, Assistant Principal Fred Schnarr, Athletic Director Camden Parkhurst, Susan Shively, Cathy Ayres, Student Council members, FFA members, one representative from the news media, and Leslie Allen.

Call to Order: Mr. Zook called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and executive session held on March 6, 2012. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Simmons made a motion to approve the corporation vouchers, treasurer's report and lunch fund report as presented. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Communications: Mrs. Simmons made a motion to approve conference and field trip requests "a" through "e" as outlined under Communications on the agenda. Mr. Lambert seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve "f" through "h" as outlined under Communications on the agenda. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Charles Huckstep and Carolyn O'Connell requested the discontinuation of the annual renewal and testing for the Northwest Evaluation Association Testing Program. Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Personnel: Mr. Eller made a motion to approve Anita Schaeffer's resignation as elementary cook and Kerry Yoder's resignation as varsity assistant football coach as presented. Mrs. Simmons seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Superintendent Dr. Lagoni received a request for a leave of absence from a staff member. He recommended the Board approve the request. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation as presented. Mr. Lambert seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

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Karla Taylor recommended Deidra Ehrman be approved for the 5 ½ hour cook position at the elementary school. Mr. Eller made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented. Mrs. Simmons seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Jerome Hemersbach as a drama volunteer for the 2012 spring play. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve Matt Jones as a drama volunteer for the 2012 spring play. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Eller made a motion to approve Stephen Buckley as a volunteer junior high track coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Simmons made a motion to approve Matt Jones as a volunteer girls' tennis coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Lauri Rice as a volunteer golf coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Lambert seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Eller made a motion to approve Jimmy Draper as a volunteer golf coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Mrs. Simmons seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Other Business: Superintendent Dr. Lagoni reviewed the changes in the Employee Handbook for the reimbursement of travel expenses. He stated the wording for the Deadline for Submission of Reimbursement Requests needs to read "All vouchers for reimbursement must be filed with the school corporation treasurer within thirty days of incurring approved expense to receive payment". Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve the changes made to the Employee Handbook as presented. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried. A copy of the Reimbursement of Pre-Approved Expenses Related to Educational or Work-Related Conferences is in the official Board file.

Superintendent Dr. Lagoni discussed the use of school facilities recommendation that he and Dr. James Auter have made to policy #7510. A copy of the policy is in the official Board file.

Mrs. O'Connell recommended that the information for the Kindergarten 529 College Savings Plan be included in the Kindergarten packet at Kindergarten roundup. Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

School Attorney Miriam Robeson discussed with the Board the Substance Abuse Policy and stated that the wording in the Student Handbook needs to be aligned with the corporation policy. Handbook changes will be presented to the Board by the Administrators when the new handbooks are considered for adoption this spring. Copies of the policies are in the official Board file.

Ricky Burns and three Junior High students from the Carroll FFA were present and talked about their participation in the District V Leadership Contest on March 15 at Hamilton Southeastern High school.

Approximately 30 members of Student Council from the junior-senior high school and elementary school were in attendance and expressed their questions and concerns to the School Board. Topics discussed included sidewalks between the high school and elementary school, lockers at the high school, lights for softball diamond and soccer field, grass mowed for cross country meets, weight room, new principal, vegetarian lunches, microwave usage for students at lunch, G.P.A. system/class ranking, new science wing, more school spirit for homecoming, loosen the dress code for homecoming, why they sell Little Debbie items and not allow salt, pay extra for ranch dressing, air-conditioning in classrooms, buy candy once a week, substance abuse policy, high school mentoring, new mobile lab, afterschool tutoring, update media center books, changes in next year's dress code, have own email accounts, one-to-one computing for students, twitter and facebook accounts, sixth grade talent show, another staff member in music, road in front of elementary school, signs for one-way at elementary or traffic control, dress code at the elementary, and wear flip flops at the elementary.

Superintendent Dr. Lagoni stated that the ISBA Spring Region meeting is March 29, 2012, 7:30 p.m. at the Trails in Lafayette. Board members Mrs. Simmons and Mr. Zook, School Attorney Miriam Robeson and Superintendent Dr. Lagoni stated that they wanted to attend the meeting.

An executive session will immediately follow today's meeting to discuss job performance evaluation of individual employees at the Carroll Jr./Sr. High School, Room C18.

Board Member Comments and Items for Future Agendas: Mrs. Simmons stated that there will be a Carroll Education Foundation meeting on March 28, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Future Board Meeting Date: Mr. Eller made a motion to change the next regularly scheduled meeting from April 3, 2012 to Tuesday, April 10, 2012, 7:30 p.m. at the Administration Building. Mrs. Simmons seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Simmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Sam L. Zook, President

David W. Lambert, Vice President

Eric E. Johnson, Member

Richard W. Eller, Member

ATTEST:

Michelle L. Simmons, Secretary