

CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
March 17, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called by Chair Wittenberg at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Vern Wittenberg, Scott Abel, Ryan Solee, Randy Bodensteiner & Corey Petterson. Absent: Robbie Pond & Kayla Walberg Also present: Superintendent Ryan Grow, Principal Josh Tharaldson, staff, and community members.

3 **Community Comments** – None

4 **Spotlight on Education** – Mr. Bettin gave a PowerPoint presentation of events that have happened since the last meeting.

5 **Approval of Agenda** – MMS Solee/Bodensteiner to approve agenda as presented. MCU.

6 **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings** – MMS Wittenberg/Petterson to approve minutes as presented. MCU

6.1 02/24/25 – Regular Meeting

7 **Informational Items**

7.1 **Principals Report** –Principal Tharaldson presented the report and discussed the following items: A) **MCA Testing** – Students in grades 3-6, 8th & 10th will test on various subjects. All testing will be completed before 5/9/25. B) **Preschool Screening** – This was held on 3/11 & 3/12/25. Thank you to Stacie Petterson, Chelsey Juberian, Bailey Watne, Staff from BRIC, Nursing Services & HeadStart for doing this important task for our district! C) **Prom** – Mrs. Mendick & Ms. Larson have been working hard all year on fundraising & preparing for our Prom, which is 4/12/25. D) **Open Enrollment Data** –All capped grades are currently at or below their cap numbers (5th – 26, 6th – 50, 7th – 44, 8th – 50) & there are no students on the waiting list.

7.2 **Superintendent Report** – Supt. Grow discussed the following items: **1) Personnel** – A) **Open Positions** – ½ Time Cook, Paraeducator (2), Assistant Softball Coach, JH Baseball Coach & Assistant Varsity Track & Field Coach. B) **BRIC** – BRIC will have a new Executive Director beginning 7/1/25. Renae Donaghue, our current supervisor, has accepted the position. C) **CG EDMN** - Has submitted a letter of intent to negotiate a new contract for 2025-2027. **2) Educational** – A) **Parent-Teacher Conferences** – HS conferences are 4/10/25 from 4:00-7:30 p.m. B) **Job Fair** – This will be held in conjunction with PT conferences from 2:00-6:00 p.m. C) **Charps** – Mr. Rue & I met with Charps on 3/12/25 to introduce Mr. Rue to one of the owners & continue partnership conversations. **3) Legislative** – A) **St. Paul Trip** – On 3/11/25, a group of Superintendents from our region met with legislators to discuss & advocate for different education topics. B) **House Split 50/50** – After the 3/11/25 special election, the House is split 50/50. **Financial** – A) **Paid FMLA** – Beginning on 1/1/26, all employers will be required to pay a portion of employees MN paid FMLA (.44%). The employee will be responsible for the other portion through payroll tax. B) **Inflation Index** - Last year, legislation tied an inflationary index to the general ed formula, with a range from 2% (minimum) to 3% (maximum). For FY26, that increase will be 2.74%, which equates to \$7,4871 per adjusted pupil unit (APU). C) **Video** – Supt Grow showed an MASA video that discussed school funding 5) **Building/Grounds** – A) **4/2/25 Work Session** – This session we will discuss the CTE addition and renovations and fitness addition.

7.3 **Enrollment Report** – Our current enrollment number is 514 vs 512 in February.

8 **Consent Calendar** – MMS Solee/Abel to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU.

8.1 Approval of Bills Presented – All Funds

Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings:

Payroll Checks/Direct Deposit

March Bills

73592-73615/Wires

All Payroll was Direct Deposit

Voucher Numbers: 73338-73413

Check Numbers: 73616-73658

Total Payroll/Expense Checks Approved: \$689,890.58

8.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

8.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

8.4 Accept/Approve Donations

8.5 Student Activity Report

9 **Old Business** – None

10 **New Business**

10.1 **Consider Hiring Meghan LaVine as Head Varsity Softball Coach for the 2024-2025 Season**– MMS Wittenberg/Petterson to hire. MCU

10.2 **Consider Hiring Randy Reimer as Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2024-2025 Season** – MMS Abel/Bodensteiner to hire. MCU

10.3 **Consider Approving Tenure for Kristopher Rue** – MMS Wittenberg/Petterson to approve. MCU

10.4 **Consider Approving Tenure for Monica Johnson** – MMS Solee/Petterson to approve. MCU

10.5 **Consider Approving the Achievement & Integration Plan for 2025-2028** – MMS Wittenberg/Solee to approve. MCU.

10.6 **Consider Approving MSBA Model Policy Revisions/Updates** – MMS Solee/Bodensteiner to approve, as well as letter templates for policies 413 & 530. MCU.

11 **Community Questions to the Board of Education Regarding Agenda Items** – None

12 **Future Meetings**

12.1 School Board Work Session on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

12.2 Regular School Board Meeting on Monday April 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

13 **Adjournment** – MMS Solee/Abel to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. MCU