

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**September 21, 2015**

The Celina Independent School District's Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2015 at the Celina Independent School District Administration Offices at 205 S Colorado, Celina, TX 75009 in the Board Room.

At 6:15 PM Kelly Juergens called the dinner session to order. Agenda items were discussed. Mr. O'Dell gave the board an update on contract negotiations. Final plans were made for the TASA/TASB Convention. Mr. O'Dell gave information to the board on the Training scheduled for October 26, 2016. Setting a date for the Team of 8 Training was discussed. Mr. O'Dell presented on behalf of the school district a plaque to Tim Loooper in appreciation for his service to the students of Celina ISD and his dedication to the Board.

At 7:00 PM Kelly Juergens closed the dinner session.

At 7:05 PM Board President Kelly Juergens called the regular meeting of the Celina Independent School District's Board of Trustees to order in the Board Room of the CISD Administration Offices. Tracey Balsamo led the pledge and Jeff Gravley gave the invocation.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Choc Christopher, Jeff Gravley, Kelly Juergens, Todd Snyder, Tracey Balsamo and Brooks Barr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chuck Hansen.

**SCHOOL OFFICIALS & VISITORS PRESENT:** Donny O'Dell, Rick DeMasters, Starlynn Wells, Lori Sitzes and Lana Brooks.

**OPEN FORUM:** No one spoke on agenda or non-agenda items to the Board.

### **CONSENT/CONFIRMATION AGENDA ITEMS.**

Choc Christopher moved and Todd Snyder seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2015 Regular Board Meeting along with the Monthly Cash Distributions/Cash Balance/Investment Report and Budget Amendments. Motion Carried 6-0.

### **INFORMATION/CONFIRMATION AGENDA ITEMS:**

An update was given by Mr O'Dell to the board on the current enrollment. We now have 2,344 students. In second grade we have 183 students with 8 teachers at 22.875 students per class.

### **ACTION/BRIEFING AGENDA ITEMS:**

Todd Snyder moved and Tracey Balsamo seconded the motion to approve the designated fund balance as presented: \$200,000 to Construction and \$1,321,739.59 to the Retirement of Loans/Notes Payable. Motion Carried 6-0.

Lori Sitzes and Starlynn Wells gave a presentation to the board on the District Improvement Plan. Jeff Gravley moved and Tracey Balsamo seconded the motion to approve the District Improvement Plan as presented. Motion Carried 6-0.

Choc Christopher moved and Tracey Balsamo seconded the motion to approve the hiring of a new second grade teacher in order to bring the class size in line with state guidelines. Motion Carried 7-0.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to hire a new second grade teacher. ***NO ACTION WAS TAKEN SINCE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF A SECOMD GRADE TEACHER WAS APPROVED.***

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion to apply for a waiver from the state on class size in lieu of hiring a second grade teacher. ***NO ACTION WAS TAKEN SINCE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF A SECOND GRADE TEACHER WAS APPROVED.***

Mr. O'Dell discussed with the board the merits of moving administrative contracts to March and professional contracts to April. Brooks Barr moved and Jeff Gravley seconded the motion to approve moving contracts to March for administrators and April for professional staff. Motion Carried 6-0.

High School student Brooke Hansen discussed having a Service Dog Training Program at the High School. This is a project she is very interested in being a part of and would like the board to give its approval for bringing a service dog with her to school during the training period. After some discussion and questions with Brooke Jeff Gravley moved and Brooks Barr seconded the motion to **Table** adding the service dog training program and revisit the subject at the October board meeting Motion Carried 6-0.

**At 7:58 PM Kelly Juergens recessed the open session and convened the Board in closed session, pursuant to Texas Government code, Chapter 551, including, but not limited to Section 551.074 – Personnel.**

**A. Personnel**

- 1. Art Teacher – Intermediate/Middle School**
- 2. Second Grade Teacher - Elementary**

**At 8:22 PM Kelly Juergens recessed the closed session and reconvened in open session to vote on matters considered in closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, to take action necessary regarding personnel.**

**ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS IN CLOSED SESSION:**

Choc Christopher moved and Todd Snyder seconded the motion to approve the hiring of the following professional personnel as recommended by the Superintendent.

Art Teacher – Jennifer York  
Second Grade – Robyn Fletcher

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Jeff Gravley moved and Choc Christopher seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

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Kelly Juergens, President

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Todd Snyder, Secretary