Craig City School District

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CCSD SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday 10/25/23 CHS Library

School Board Meeting 5:15PM

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:15.

2. Flag Salute

A salute to the flag was given.

3. Roll Call

Board Members
Hans Hjort, President
Josh Andrews, Secretary
Ben Page, Member
Julie McDonald, Member
Trish Conatser, Vice President

In Person
Tamara Cross
Zack Cross
Kerin Crews
Jeremy Crews
Chris Reitan
Mike Hautala

Mollie Harings Betty Hall Daniel Nelson Melinda Bass Amber Page Rachael Yenna

David Harris

<u>Via Zoom</u> Kristi Kuhnert

Christina Woodward

Karen Packer Amanda Vickers

JR Shirley Hautala

Grace Beckman

Isabelle Priddy (Student Rep)

Alison - I pad

4. Agenda Approval

Motion made by Vice Chair Conatser to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

Motion made by Board Secretary Josh Andrews to amend the agenda by moving the minutes from the consent agenda.

Seconded by Board Chair Hans Hjort.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

5. Approval of Minutes

- a. ~Approval of Minutes from September 20, 2023
- b. ~Approval of Minutes from October 10, 2023

Motion made by Board Secretary to approve the minutes from September 20, 2023 and October 10, 2023.

Seconded by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

6. Consent Agenda (Includes all items with ~)

- a. ~Approval of Payments
- b. ~Correspondence

Motion made by Board Secretary Josh Andrews to approve the Consent Agenda items. Seconded by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

7. Public Comments

Board Chair Hjort reads aloud the rules for public comments.

Melinda Bass – Reads aloud a letter she has handed to the board. She is addressing the board concerning the posting of her job when she hasn't resigned from her position.

Board Chair Hjort – Speaks to Melinda's letter. He says they didn't know all the facts. They appreciate all the work she has done for the district.

Board members discussed when would be the best time to hold a special meeting to discuss Melinda's letter and packet handed to the board.

Rachael Yenna – Stresses how dangerous it is to have an uneducated board. She states that Melinda is leaving with this on her shoulders. She encourages maybe the board to handle it better next time. Uneducated board is a dangerous board.

8. Reports

a. Board Members
Board Chair Hans Hjort – Enjoying basketball and heard Honor Fest was great!

Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser – 2nds everything Hans Hjort said. The kids have amazing ability. Thanks, Melinda for writing the letter and being open to communicate with them. The next few weeks will be super busy with holiday festivities.

Board Secretary Josh Andrews – Appreciates the letter and the information from Melinda. He mentions it has become standard practice in the past that agendas are given to the board and executive sessions are put on there as a personnel matter. He doesn't write the agenda. And he doesn't like this practice. He states that AASB doesn't govern the board but that the board policies governs the board. He thinks there are differences of opinion and interpretation of what that means. He says they hire the superintendent to give advice and guidance. They do not advocate the responsibility to the district. They sign all the contracts and have many employees. He says they don't evaluate and review those things. But positions are "within the purview, the appropriate purview of the board to be discussing positions, deletions, and major changes." He welcomes the discussion and changes to the agenda that provide more information. He didn't have a lot of info going into the executive session that took place earlier in the month. Thanks to Ms. Riedel and Mrs. Hall for the welcome at the parent conferences. Honor Fest was wonderful.

Board Member Julie McDonald – Hearing good things about the 3rd grade reading program and basketball is going well. Interested in seeing more about the Title 1 criteria.

Board Student Representative Isabelle Priddy – Volleyball seeding tournament last weekend and Honor Fest had a good deal of volunteers.

b. Principal

CHS Principal Betty Hall – Gives update on student achievements. Maygren and Stock were selected to play or sing specials in Music Fest.

Board Secretary Andrews asks questions of Mrs. Hall about study hall providing credits towards graduation. Betty Hall stated that CHS currently provides credit for study hall.

PACE Principal Christina Woodward – Student count ends this week.

Board Secretary Andrews asks about the difference between families enrolled in students enrolled. Christina Woodward addresses the answer. Also, she discusses what FTE means. Dual enrolled vs full time and what other criteria could make a difference.

Board Member Julie McDonald – Asks about MAPS testing and Dibbels and how they work with PACE. Do they have to come into an office for these? PACE Principal Christina Woodward – Depends on the test. Some tests are offered via Zoom. Some are in person.

CEMS Principal David Harris – Speaks about hosting Shoenbar (from Ketchikan) for different sporting events. The Honor Fest kids stayed in the building as well. Basketball opening had a good attendance. Couldn't meet with the kids today about the lock down and moved a drill to next Thursday. Elementary school will perform a lock down drill as well. Attended the Principals Conference last week. Christy House is doing an excellent job screening the kids. We have a number of kids way below proficiency. Talking with Mrs. House it is clear the fluency is the issue. Progress monitoring will be mClass Dibbels. 3rd grade reading program – Mr. Grieve is doing an outstanding job. The Grieve's have an amazing accelerated readers program to present. Board Chair Hans Hjort – I am grateful for the work being done in the reading.

Board Member Julie McDonald – Forgot to mention "Battle of the Books" the kids love it. Reading tool that is being used is "spot on." Some children are being identified that don't need to be identified with Dibels.

c. Maintenance Director

CCSD Maintenance Director Daniel Nelson thanks his staff for the extra time with the kids being transported and the janitors with all the extra work being done during these times. Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser asks about the status of the MS boiler. Daniel Nelson says that Schmolck Mechanical is doing the work because they warranty their work. He also stated that the wood chip boiler cannot run because there are no chips. Mr. Reitan also stated that the person that runs the wood chip dryer is out of work from injury and he is the only one who can run the dryer.

d. Superintendent

We were chosen this year for our Elementary Secondary Education Act (ESEA) monitoring. DEED will be monitoring a number of our Title grants. TrailerCraft updated us with our bus being complete not until April. Hopefully this summer it will arrive. We are down to 1 boiler in the elementary school and we installing new ones. Hopefully when the kids come back in January we will be fully up and operational. We have received 3 proposals for our Architecture and Engineering Request for Proposals.

Board Member Julie McDonald – Asks a Biomass question. Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser – Asks how the Indigenous meeting went and if we are still trying to work out the SEALS position. Board Chair Hans Hjort wanted to know if we reached out to the Klawock Tribe.

Board Member Julie McDonald – We still have one and a half SPED positions open? CCSD Superintendent Chris Reitan – We do not. We are in a contract with Next Level Speech Therapy for all kids for speech therapy. This makes the current load manageable. Ms. McDonald – so our plan is to have 1 SPED teacher for the HS and 1 for ES/MS? She asks if they can know the load size. CCSD Special Education Director Mike Hautala stated it is about 20 kids per teacher. And the speech load was 25. Next Level does all the case management.

Board Chair Hans Hjort – How often is progress checked with speech? CCSD Special Education Director Mike Hautala – Every grading period there will be progress reports sent out through email from Next Level Speech Therapy services.

Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser – Asks questions about the MS Sped position being pulled. CCSD Superintendent Chris Reitan – Having this service for speech the need is no longer there. CCSD Special Education Director Mike Hautala – Reiterates that the case load is standard now. Our PACE Sped teacher however, is at about 62.

Ms. McDonald – It could be good to have the SPED director do a report for each meeting.

9. Old Business

a. CCSD Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits Updates

Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to approve the CCSD Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits as a second and final reading.

Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

We have a motion to approve the presented CCSD Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits Updates as a second in final reading.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes - Unanimous

10. New Business

a. Personnel Report

Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to approve the Personnel Report as presented. Seconded by Board Member Julie McDonald

We have a motion to approve the Personnel Report as presented.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

b. CCSD Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits Updates

Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to approve the Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits as a first reading.
Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

We have a motion to approve the CCSD Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits Updates as a first reading.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

c. Board Committee Assignments

Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to approved the Board Committee assignments. Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

Board Chair Hans Hjort – maximum of 2 members per committee

Indigenous Committee – Josh Andrews
Policies Committee – Trish Conatser, Josh Andrews
Negotiations Committee – Hans Hjort, Julie McDonald
Emergency Operations Committee – Ben Page, Josh Andrews
Nutrition and Wellness Committee – Julie McDonald
Curriculum Committee – Ben Page
Facilities Committee – Hans Hjort
Sick Bank Committee – Hans Hjort
Retention Committee – Trish Conatser, Julie McDonald

We have a motion to approve the assignments as presented.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes - Unanimous

d. Contract with S.E. Recreational Charters for FY 24

Motion made by Board Vice Chair to approve the contract with SE Recreational Charters for FY 24 for the sum of \$66.950.

Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

We have a motion to approve the contract with SE Recreational Charters for FY 24 for the sum of \$66,950.

Voice Vote – All in favor Motion Passes – Unanimous

e. BP/AR 4111 Recruitment and Selection

Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to approve BP/AR 4111 Recruitment and Selection as a first reading.

Seconded by Board Secretary Josh Andrews.

Board Secretary Andrews speaks to the item being added to the agenda. The interpretation of this one could vary.

Discussion: The CCSD School Board discussed the interpretation of the screening process. The Board determined that all applicants that meet the minimum qualifications for the position should be moved to the interview committee. The Board also discussed that the interview committee should reach consensus about the ranking of the interview candidates.

Board Secretary Andrews makes a motion to amend AR 4111 making line 3 of the committee say "A Parent" and move "A Staff Member" to being a separate line 4 and not read "A Parent/A Staff Member".

Seconded by Board Vice Chair Conatser.

Voice Vote – All if favor of the amendment for BP/AR 4111 Recruitment and Selection Motion Passes – Unanimous

Voice Vote – All in favor of approving BP/AR 4111 Recruitment and Selection as amended Motion Passes - Unanimous

f. Next Meeting Date

November 21, 2023

Special Meeting – 11/8/23 at 5:15

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	Motion made by Board Vice Chair Trish Conatser to adjourn. Seconded by Board Member Julie McDonald Motion.		
	We have a motion to adjourn. Voice Vote – All in favor of adjourning Motion Passes - Unanimous		
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