

Red Cloud Community Schools
Board Minutes

The Red Cloud Community Schools Board of Education held their regular monthly board meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021 in the Library at Red Cloud Elementary School. President Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with members Armstrong, Hobbs, Horne, Mahin, Peterson and VanWey answering roll.

Mrs. Dallman, Elementary Principal, reported that she attended the online State Assessment meeting and that the assessments have been completed with Grades 3-6 finishing the NSCAS Growth pilot tests in Math and English Language Arts and the 1st & 2nd grades completing their MAPS tests. She noted that she has completed three probationary teacher observations, the Winter Music Concert was held, and Moms & Muffins was held in the pre-school rooms. She also noted that she joined the monthly Special Education call, and attended Sixpence Consults with Meghan from the Valley Child Development Center and with NDE. Upcoming activities include the 4th Grade State Night this evening at 7:00 p.m. and winter break begins on December 21st.

Mr. Heldt, Secondary Principal, noted that the Junior High Girls Basketball season has ended with a successful season and that the Junior High Wrestling season has also ended with the team doing an exceptional job. High School Winter Sports are underway with there being ten out for Boys Basketball, 16 for Girls Basketball and 6 from Red Cloud on the wrestling team. Students in the Junior Class have taken the ASVAB Test and have reviewed the results. FFA students attended District Livestock Judging, the Winter Concert was held recently and the Rise Up group held a movie night for the secondary students. The Junior-Senior High students will be participating in mini courses on December 21st prior to dismissal for winter break. This will also be the end of first semester. A sports moratorium will be held from December 22nd through December 26th.

Mrs. Schroer's Digital Media Class and students form Mr. Sholtz's woods class gave a presentation on projects that they have been completing using the Embalzer, Vinyl Cutter, and 3D Printer. They handed out their Business Card for South 45 Designs.

Superintendent Hof visited with the Board about the Building Fund & Depreciation Certificates of Deposit—they will be maturing the beginning of January and will be rolled over into the checking accounts as the interest rate is quite low at this time. He noted that Chamber Bucks were given to the employees in appreciation for everything they do and Mrs. Mahin provided a basket of goodies for Hot Teas and Hot Chocolate for the staff at each school. He reported that the students surpassed the goal for collections for the NHS Food Drive and will get an extra day of vacation—they will return to school on January 4th instead of the 3rd. January 3rd will now be a teacher work day and staff will be served dinner that day. He also noted that the Sheriff's Department is fully staffed at this time and that the day shift Deputy may do walk-throughs at the school buildings.

The teachers presented the Power Point they had prepared for the Negotiations Committee to the entire Board. The power point covered all of the organizations and activities that teachers make available for students in grades K-12 beyond their regular every day classroom activities.

Todd Mahin was in attendance at the board meeting to approach the Board regarding Student Conduct, Discipline and Bullying. He asked that the Board review the policies and asked for zero

tolerance for students not following the policies. The Board Policy Committee will review the policies and make recommendations to the administration.

Horne moved to approve the agenda. Armstrong seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021 regular board meeting. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Peterson moved to approve payment of the District 2 and special Building Fund Claims. Horne seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to accept the financial reports as presented. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Mr. Hof reported that the date to move the metal building from the high school has been moved to the end of January. The Facilities Committee will be setting up a time to walk through the two buildings and will include some high school students in the walk through.

Board communications included thank-you notes from staff for the Chamber Bucks and for board support.

VanWey moved to approve the resolution authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to meet and maintain all requirements for Red Cloud Community Schools to be identified as a Purple Star School recognizing the sacrifices that military connected families give and have given. Armstrong seconded the motion. All voted in Favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Hobbs moved to approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar with school beginning for students on August 17, 2022 and the final day on May 19, 2023. VanWey seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve the negotiated agreement with the Red Cloud Education Association at a base wage of \$36,870. Peterson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Under discussion items, Mr. Hof talked to the board about the necessity to find a new lawyer to represent the Red Cloud school district as our former attorney, John Recknor, passed away recently. Mr. Hof has talked to several attorney's regarding this matter and plans to set up a time for himself and the board president to speak to one of the attorney's that was recommended to him.

The next regular board meeting has been scheduled for Monday, January 17, 2022 at 12:00 noon in the Conference Room at Red Cloud High School. There being no further business, President Armstrong declared the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Cathy Ostrander
Recording Secretary