Red Cloud Community Schools Board Minutes

The Red Cloud Community Schools Board of Education held their regular monthly board meeting on Monday, February 19, 2024 in the Library at the Red Cloud Elementary School. President Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with members Armstrong, Hobbs, Horne, Ord, Peterson, and VanWey answering roll.

Mrs. Dallman, Secondary Principal reported that we hosted Elementary Quiz Bowl with Blue Hill, Silver Laker, and Franklin attending. We attended a quiz bowl meet at ESU 9. January 22 was an in-service day and the staff went over suicide training, shared technology knowledge, and completed epilepsy training. The Spelling Bee was held at Silver Lake on January 24. The little kids cheer performance was held on February 8. The administration completed ESU Professional Development planning and there was a School Board Retreat. Upcoming events include dental screenings, Parent/Teacher Conferences, no school on March 1, State Night on March 5, Lions Club vision and hearing screenings, and the Science Fair on March 21.

Mr. Heldt, Secondary Principal, reported that they went to a quiz bowl meet at ESU 9 with the High School placing 3rd. The Spelling Bee was held, they did a CTE conference over Zoom, during the staff in-service they completed suicide prevention training and staff share, FFA went to district LDE's and had State Degree interviews, the TVC Basketball Tournament was held, the TVC and WarCat Wrestling Meets were held, the Youth Wrestling Meet was held, Girls and Boys Wrestling went to sub-districts with two wrestlers from Blue Hill qualifying for State. JH Boys Basketball finished their season with a record of 6-2, High School Basketball held their Senior Nights, the Little Warrior Cheer and Dance performed, TeamMates were recognized, Girls Basketball went to sub-districts. State Wrestling was held, a representative from Wayne State visited, Central Community College had Sandy Samuelson talk about early college classes, Speech has been going to meets with their most recent one at Elm Creek, the Booster Club had the Snowball Dance, Sophomores did mock interviews in Mrs. James' class, RiseUp Leadership sold Valentine's cookies, Mr. Heldt and Mrs. James attended a Perkins Grant meetings, and Mrs. Steinkruger received a grant for the school from Farm Credit Services of America to go towards a new shop ventilation system.

Upcoming events include FFA Week, District Boys Basketball, TVC Speech, District Speech, Spring CDE's, 7th Grade History Day, and Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Karla Burgess, School Counselor, gave a report on her job duties and what she has been teaching and seeing throughout the school in regards to mental health.

Superintendent Hof gave an update on the heating repairs at the Elementary School. Ron has finished installing heating units in the affected classrooms and is moving onto the library next.

President Jeff Armstrong gave a report on the NASB Conference he attended in Lincoln.

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

Armstrong moved to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2024 regular board meeting as presented. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve payment of the District 2 claims and all regularly occurring bills. Armstrong seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

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

Board Communications included a letter from parent Walker Auftenkamp about concerns involving his daughter.

Ord moved to approve a one year extension to Superintendent Hof's contract. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Armstrong moved to approve renewing our NASB membership. VanWey seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to accept resignations from Melissa Barry and Miranda Steinkruger. Ord seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Ord moved to approve the teaching contract for Celina Chrisman. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Discussion Items included the staff survey Peterson wanted to be completed. The subject was referred to the Policy Committee and Mr. Ord (Chair of the Committee) will look into how the survey can be completed while following the Board Policies.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library at Red Cloud Elementary with a facility walkthrough to be completed after the regular meeting. There being no further business, Mr. Armstrong declared the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Miles McDole Recording Secretary

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