

Red Cloud Community Schools
Board Minutes

The Red Cloud Community Schools Board of Education held their regular monthly board meeting on Monday, November 21, 2022 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, Mahin, Peterson and VanWey answering roll.

Mrs. Dallman, Elementary Principal, reported that elementary student winners of the Fire Prevention Drawing Contest were awarded rides to school on the Fire Truck during Fire Prevention Week and the Firemen from the Red Cloud and Guide Rock Fire Departments gave a presentation to the children as well. The Teaching and Learning Conference was held at Adams Central for all ESU #9 schools with an uplifting speaker and mini sessions. A Teacher In-Service was presented by ESU #9 on Standards and Learning Goals which is part of the Marzano Framework. Mrs. Dallman and Mr. Heldt attended AQuest Training via Zoom and Mrs. Dallman attended the monthly statewide Special Education call. Mrs. Burgess and students from the high school held activities with the students for Red Ribbon Week and the elementary students attended a performance of the One-Act Play at the High School. Upcoming activities include the K-12 Music Concert to be held on December 6th, NSCAS/MAPS testing, Lions Vision & Hearing Screening on December 16th and 4th Grade State Night on December 19th.

Mr. Heldt, Secondary Principal, reported that Red Ribbon Week was held, Teachers attended the TLC Conference at Adams Central with ESU #9 schools and staff putting on mini sessions, and the Volleyball season ended with TVC and District tournaments. A Veterans Day Program was presented by Stacy Rasser, Pastor Darrel Sutton and the Cowles American Legion. Brooks Armstrong attended State FFA Land Judging at Scottsbluff placing 64th out of approximately 160 students. The Senior Class placed first in the trivia contest at County Government Day, the One-Act Team performed at TVC in Harvard, and the Junior High Quiz Bowlers received runner-up honors at the TVC Quiz Bowl held in Blue Hill. Kudos to these students. The TVC Athletic Directors and Volleyball Coaches meeting was held recently. Junior High Wrestling and Junior High Girls Basketball is underway--the wrestlers will be performing tomorrow at Kenesaw and next Tuesday, the JH Girls Basketball team will complete their season at Harvard. High School winter sports are underway with 6 male wrestlers and 3 female wrestlers, 15 out for Girls Basketball and 13 for Boys Basketball. Mrs. Burgess took the Juniors and Seniors to the Armory in Kearney for Project Exploration. The National Honor Society held a Food Drive with 1,300 items being collected between the elementary and high school.

Superintendent Hof reported that he has been notified that it will be necessary to move the Bulk Fuel Tanks for Safety Reasons.

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

Armstrong moved to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2022 board meeting as presented. Peterson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve the General Fund and Special Building Fund claims. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

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

Under Committee Reports, Mr. Armstrong reported that the Negotiations Team has met with the teachers by phone and in person. The Board team met prior to the regular board meeting this evening and will meet with the teachers next week. Mr. Hof reported that the Stamped Plans for the Athletic Building have been received and that the windows for the high school and elementary continue to be worked on.

Armstrong moved to Congratulate the Red Cloud High School Football Team and Coaches on an outstanding season and for making it to the second round of the State 6-Man Football Playoffs with the team placing 3rd in the state for Six-Man Football. VanWey seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Peterson moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Board Policy, Section 600, Instruction and 700, Business Operations and adopt said policies. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Armstrong moved to approve the 1st Reading of Board Policy, Section 800, Support Services and Section 900, Building & Sites. VanWey seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve the 2021-22 School Audit as presented by Romans, Wiemer & Associates. Mahin seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Armstrong moved to approve a calendar change for 2nd semester Parent-Teacher Conferences. The Conferences will be moved to January 26th beginning at 2:00 p.m. with school in session until 1:00 p.m. that day and no school on January 27th. School will be in session on both February 9th and 10th. Horne seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve the use of COVID Funds to install card access for classrooms and restrooms at the high school and the elementary buildings. Mahin seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

VanWey moved to approve the purchase of a 2011 F250 Pickup with Snow Blade for \$22,000. Peterson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Mahin moved to authorize the sale of the red pickup on the Tri-City Auction. Armstrong seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Armstrong moved to approve the purchase of a new hot water heater at the high school. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Under discussion, Mrs. Mahin asked about the possibility of adding Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) to our extra-curricular activities. Mr. Heldt said he would look into the possibility.

The next regular monthly board meeting has been scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library at Red Cloud Elementary. There being no further business, Mr. Armstrong declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Cathy Ostrander
Recording Secretary

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