

Red Cloud Community Schools
Board Minutes

The Red Cloud Community Schools Board of Education held their regular monthly board meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021 in the library at Red Cloud Elementary. President Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. with members Armstrong, Hobbs, Horne, Mahin, Peterson and VanWey answering roll.

Mrs. Dallman, Elementary Principal, informed the board that the Early Childhood Report has been completed as a part of Rule 11 to meet the standards; she and Mrs. Burgess attended training for the new MAPS-NSCAS testing, which we will begin using in December-January. Student growth will be checked three times throughout the school year. Mrs. Dallman also attended a webinar on SPED Targeted Improvement Plans. She noted that she had helped run a Manifestation Hearing for a student at the high school who had received a long term out of school suspension. Mrs. Dallman has met with Board members of The Valley Child Development Center regarding the Sixpence Grant and will be meeting again with a team on September 29th. Face to face Parent Teacher Conferences were held with an 87% attendance rate. The Special Education Review has been completed and we should receive the findings by the end of the month. Fire Prevention Week is this week with winners of the poster contest receiving rides to school on the Fire Truck. The firemen will also be bringing the Smokehouse when they visit this week. All certified staff and paras will be attending the Teaching & Learning Convention held at Adams Central.

Mr. Heldt, Secondary Principal, reported that Parent-Teacher Conferences were held at the high school with 55% of the parents in attendance, Mrs. Burgess recently held a Financial Aid Night for the Juniors & Seniors, Mrs. Steinkruger accompanied the Range Judging team. (Isabel McCutcheon, Josie Rust, Paiton Lewis and Olivia Ord) to Valentine for State Range Judging and also took students to District Land Judging and Husker Harvest Days. Homecoming was held the week of September 19-25 with activities being kicked off on Sunday evening and ending with the dance on Saturday with many athletic activities held during the week. National Honor Society induction was held with Brooks Armstrong and Marissa Hersh being inducted. Red Cloud hosted the TVC Cross Country Meet at the local Golf Course. William Rasser placed 2nd in junior high. Mrs. Burgess held Apply to College Day for the Seniors and took the Juniors & Seniors to UNK for a college visit. Parent & Senior Nights have been held for Volleyball, Cheer & Dance and Football. Junior High football, volleyball and cross country have completed their seasons, TVC volleyball was held on Saturday and the finals are this evening. The first quarter ended on October 14th. Football program status will have to be declared in November with the Nebraska School Activities Association for the next two years. Based on the number of male students, we will remain in the Six-Man Program.

Superintendent Hof informed the board that Renee Ayer turned in a resignation from her para position to take a teaching position at The Valley Child Development Center. The Server Room has been moved from the metal building into the high school where the old Coal Room was. He also noted that he would be attending a meeting at ESU #9 after the board meeting to complete the Title Application for the 2021-22 school year. He reported that he has applied for a grant from the NDE Child Nutrition Program for an outside Walk-In Freezer for the lunch program as we are low on freezer space for deliveries. The cost for a walk-in freezer is in the vicinity of \$20,000-\$30,000.

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

Mahin moved to approve the minutes from the Budget Hearing, Tax Request Hearing, American Civics Committee Meeting and the September 13, 2021 regular board meeting. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Horne moved to approve payment of District 2 claims. Hobbs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

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

Superintendent Hof reminded the Negotiations Committee that they need to meet with the Teachers Association to begin negotiations by November 1st. Mr. Hof also reported that the Beef Boosters have four beef being processed at the Kensington Locker.

Superintendent Hof and Mr. Brumbaugh presented schematics for building a health and fitness center on the site where the yellow metal building now sits. The metal building will be moved to the south end of the elementary parking lot to be used for a maintenance building. It was noted that plans are to involve the Construction Class in this building project and to correct the drainage problem in the high school parking lot. Mahin moved to approve Phase I funding in the amount of \$300,000 for the Health & Fitness Building. Peterson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

The next regular monthly board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 15, 2021 at 7:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at the High School. There being no further business, Mr. Armstrong declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 a.m.

Cathy Ostrander
Recording Secretary