

CLIO AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Minutes – April 29, 2014

The Board of Education met for a Regular Meeting at the Administration Building.

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann Dipzinski at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education Members Present: Mary Ann Dipzinski, Henry Hatter, Steve Nordstrom, Jeff Drayton, Robert Gaffney, Eric Wood and Tim Ranville

Board of Education Members Absent: None

School Administrative Staff Present: Superintendent Dr. James Tenbusch, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Steve Keskes, Principal Mike Lytle, Neil Bedell, John Lanyi and John Darga, Assistant Principals Carrie Ammons and Lisa Taylor, Technology Director Bruce Richards, Director of Operations and Transportation Pat Jones and Alternative Education Director John Roark

Student Representatives Present: None

Others Present: Attorney's Sean Siebigeroth and James Delaney, Nate Jonker, Ann Holbin, Johnny Barrett and many other teachers and citizens

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Board President Mary Ann Dipzinski and Trustee Henry Hatter presented Treasurer Robert Gaffney with a Master School Board Member and Data Specialty Certificate.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Several citizens had concerns with bus issue, class averages, leadership crisis and tough Board decisions.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Nordstrom, supported by Wood that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education enter closed session for the purpose of a legal opinion.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

The Board of Education recessed at 7:18 p.m.  
The Board entered closed session at 7:20 p.m.

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn closed session.

The closed session adjourned at 8:17 p.m.  
The Board reconvened in open session at 8:18 p.m.



## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Wood, supported by Hatter that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education enter closed session for the purpose of employee issue.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

The Board of Education recessed at 8:19 p.m.

The Board entered closed session at 8:20 p.m.

Motion by Hatter, supported by Ranville that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn closed session.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

The closed session adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:31 p.m.

## **818: NON-RENEWAL OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE CONTRACT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education agree to a non-renewal contract of the Director of Finance, **April Jackson**, effective July 1, 2014.

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the resolution be adopted.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education enter closed session for the purpose of a legal opinion.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

The Board of Education recessed at 8:34 p.m.

The Board entered closed session at 8:35 p.m.

Motion by Hatter, supported by Nordstrom that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn the closed session.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay – 0. Motion carried.

The closed session adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:40 p.m.

## **819: PAID ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education places Superintendent **Dr. James Tenbusch** on paid administrative leave until further duties are assigned by the Board of Education.

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the resolution be adopted.

Vote: Yea – Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Ranville  
Nay – Drayton, Gaffney. Motion carried (majority vote).



## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Wood, supported by Hatter that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education enter closed session for the purpose of a legal opinion.

Vote: ~~Yea - Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_ Nay - 0. Motion carried.~~

~~The Board of Education recessed at 8:48 p.m.~~

~~The Board entered closed session at 8:49 p.m.~~

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn the closed session.

Vote: ~~Yea - Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_ Nay - 0. Motion carried.~~

~~The closed session adjourned at 10:12 p.m.~~

~~The Board reconvened in open session at 10:13 p.m.~~

## **820: APPOINT NEW SUPERINTENDENT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education appoints **Mr. Fletcher Spears III** as Superintendent of Clio Area Schools with parameters to be determined by the Board of Education.

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the resolution be adopted.

Vote: Yea - Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Ranville  
Nay - Drayton, Gaffney. Motion carried (majority vote).

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Wood, supported by Hatter that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education enter closed session for the purpose of negotiations update.

Vote: Yea - Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay - 0. Motion carried.

The Board of Education recessed at 8:48 p.m.

The Board entered closed session at 8:49 p.m.

Motion by Wood, supported by Ranville that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn the closed session.

Vote: Yea - Dipzinski, Wood, Hatter, Nordstrom, Drayton, Gaffney and Ranville  
Nay - 0. Motion carried.

The closed session adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:55 p.m.

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Wood, supported by Nordstrom that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda.

Vote: Yea 7 - Nay 0. Motion carried.

The Consent Agenda included the following:

- Payment of Bills



**ACTION ITEMS**

**821: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING-STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL TIME**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education approves the Clio Education Association Letter of Understanding dealing with the additional pupil instruction time (due to snow day closures) added to the start of each day for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion by Nordstrom, supported by Drayton that the resolution be adopted.

Vote: Yea 7 - Nay 0. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The Board of Education discussed the following:

- Strategic Planning

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Motion by Dipzinski, supported by Hatter that the Clio Area Schools Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Yea 7 - Nay 0. Motion carried.

President Mary Ann Dipzinski adjourned the meeting at 10:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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