BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 5, 2016

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, December 5, 2016, in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Administration Office. President Doris Gernovich called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

The Board met in Executive Session today – Monday, December 5, 2016 – at 6:30 PM for personnel discussion.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Amy L. Allen, Michael E. Baker, Amanda J. Cox, Lonny T. Eastman, Joseph A. Frisina , Doris P. Gernovich, Linda L. Hajec, Christine A. Johnson, Deborah A. Wood

Also Present: William A. Nichols - Superintendent; Brenda L. Clabbatz – Business Manager; S. Kelly Cragg –High School Principal; Matthew Patterson – Director of Elementary Education; Bill West – Director of Secondary Education; Dan Daum – Intermediate School Principal; Teresa Pearce – Primary School Principal; Michele Miller – Assistant Middle-High School Principal; Lee Swartzfager – Assistant High School Principal; Gail Swank – Middle School Principal

Media: Erin Passinger – Corry Journal

Guests: Peg Gates, Ann Clark

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to approve the agenda for December 5, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES 11-7-16 11-21-16

MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 7, 2016; the Regular Meeting on November 21, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peg Gates expressed her appreciation for the great football season her grandson had this past fall. She wanted to let everyone know that she was at games and practices and thought Coach Chludzinski did a great job with the kids. Mrs. Gates also expressed concern over the school calendar in regards to the return date of January 2nd (the day after New Years). She said there are several people, including teachers, who would rather have school on December 23rd and return on January 3rd instead.

Mr. Nichols responded that the school calendar is finalized and Board approved in the Spring and that it would be difficult to make changes to the holiday schedule at this late date. He further responded that the calendar is reviewed by several Administrators as well as the Union before it is published and he has not received any calls or concerns with the holiday schedule.

STAFF COMMENT

None.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

No report.

APPROVED STUDENT EXPULSION

MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the expulsion of a High School student as recommended by the Board's Hearing Committee due to violations of District policies. A Hearing was held at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, November 22, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED STUDENT EXPULSION

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the expulsion of a High School student as recommended by the Board's Hearing Committee due to violations of District policies. A Hearing was held at 9:45 AM on Wednesday, November 22, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED STUDENT EXPULSION

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to approve the expulsion of a High School student as recommended by the Board's Hearing Committee due to violations of District policies. A Hearing was held at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, November 22, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the following Personnel Items:

1. To accept the resignation of Adam Walstrom as Head Football Coach effective immediately.
2. To accept the resignation of Nathan Bailey as Assistant Football Coach effective immediately.
3. To approve the following Category I Volunteers for the Student Support Team:

Blair Blakeslee	Robert Mineo
Pat Goodsel	Josh Dyne
Timothy Joncas	

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: Baker.

OTHER MATTERS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Nichols wished everyone Happy Holidays.

OTHER MATTERS BY THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Mrs. Clabbatz wished everyone Happy Holidays.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Director Hajec recently went to the Primary School to observe dismissal and said the entire process took 15 minutes. She doesn't feel it can be done more quickly than that and she did not see any issues.

Director Baker asked for some clarification regarding Homeless students in the District. Mr. Nichols stated that it falls under Federal Law, supervised by the State with very specific criteria. Dr. Miller, the District Homeless Liaison, places fliers in public places such as churches and Laundromats, as required by law. Recently she met with a local pastor who is working with Love, Inc. to help with community involvement. Many of our female students are referred to Safe Horizons in Union City and fortunately for our male students, there has been support by local families.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Frisina to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary