BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 7, 2020

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area School District Board of School Directors was held on Monday, December 7, 2020, in the Middle-High School Cafeteria. President Doris Gernovich called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Amy L. Allen, Joel A. Cook, Amanda J. Cox, Joseph A. Frisina, Doris P. Gernovich, Jason Halfast, L. Jon Maker, William A. Nichols, Deborah A. Wood (via phone)

Excused: None.

Also Present: Sheri L. Yetzer - Superintendent; Brenda Clabbatz – Business Manager; William West – Director of Secondary Education; Andy Passinger – Assistant High School Principal; Teresa Pearce – Primary School Principal; Susan Bogert – Supervisor of Vocational Education; Kelly Cragg – High School Principal; Mike Munsee – Director of Buildings & Grounds

Media: Jordan Schrecengost (Corry Journal)

Guests: Rob Elchynski, Susan Johnston

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA & ADDENDUM

MOTION by Director Nichols and seconded by Director Wood to approve the agenda and addendum for December 7, 2020.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES OF 11/9/2020 & 11/23/2020

MOTION by Director Cox and seconded by Director Maker to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 9, 2020 and the Regular Meeting on November 23, 2020.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

STAFF COMMENT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVED DECEMBER CHECK RUN

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Wood to approve December 2020 check run(s) to be reviewed by the Treasurer.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

MOTION by Director Nichols and seconded by Director Maker to approve the following Personnel items:

1. The request for Leave of Absence from Heather Cline – Elementary Teacher – beginning March 4, 2021 through June 4, 2021 (anticipated 61 days).
2. The request for Leave of Absence from Debora Mead – Grade II Paraprofessional – beginning December 9, 2020 through March 2, 2021 (anticipated 54 days).
3. The addition of Maya S. Weis to the Substitute List for the 2020/21 school year.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED SALE OF PARCEL

MOTION by Director Cook and seconded by Director Wood to approve the request from Erie County Tax Claim Bureau to approve the sale of property commonly known as and identified in the assessment records of Erie County as Index Number 07-026-078.0-008.00, 244 Franklin St 37 X 199.72. Offer is made by Erie County Land Bank for the sum of $250.00.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Director Cox continues to review the 300 Section of the Board Policy Manual and is ready to discuss that section when we have time.

OTHER MATTERS BY BUSINESS MANAGER

Mrs. Clabbatz distributed preliminary budget information for the Board to review. Much of the funding information needed to complete the budget is not yet available (basic ed, special ed, transportation). Mrs. Clabbatz recommends that the Board pass the resolution not to exceed the State Index. That resolution would need to be considered no later than the second meeting in January.

Director Nichols suggested passing that resolution immediately to enable Administration to move forward with the planning process.

APPROVED BUDGET RESOLUTION

MOTION by Director Nichols and seconded by Director Cook to approve the 2021-2022 Budget Resolution not to exceed the State Index of 4.5% for any local tax rates.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Yetzer asked Mrs. Bogert to give the Board an update on the return of the CTC students. The students will return beginning December 8th on a hybrid schedule with half of the students attending Tuesday/Thursday and the other half, Wednesday/Friday, all dependent upon the COVID/building size matrix discussed at the Committee of the Whole. The students will be screened daily upon arrival, similar to the way the athletes are. The Little Beavers program is also reopening December 8th on Tuesdays and Thursdays. As far as required hours for the CTC programs, Mrs. Bogert is confident that the students will be able to catch up moving forward.

Mrs. Yetzer reviewed a document released by the Erie County Department of Health which outlines their support of ending COVID-19 quarantine on day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring. The document also stated that local testing resources are NOT adequate to accommodate a surge in testing requests for person without symptoms (this speaks to an earlier recommendation by Director Cox that we look into doing rapid testing on all coaches and athletes).

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Cox and seconded by Director Cook to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:28 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Halfast, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary