

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #3
FULTON COUNTY**

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

September 17, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #3, Fulton County, met in regular session on September 17, 2018, in the Cuba Elementary Library, 652 East Main Street, Cuba. President Sue McCance called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Mance, Mrs. McCance and Mr. Wallace.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. McCance during the Budget Hearing, prior to the Regular Meeting.

4. RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

None.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

Under communications, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser shared attendance reports from both buildings and a thank you card from Cole Miller's family for the planter and support received during their loss.

Elliott Craig was present to talk about the North Fulton Co-op football program. Due to lack of numbers for 11-man football, the co-op is looking into other options. Mr. Craig attended a meeting September 12 regarding 8-man football. Eight schools were present including Peoria Heights. The deadline for joining the 8-man Football Association is January 20, 2019. Teams would sign for a minimum of two years and pay \$250 per year to be a part of this association. Each team would play eight games with four being home games. Also discussed was the possibility of North Fulton co-oping with Lewistown.

Mrs. McCance shared the Code of Conduct and discussed responsibilities of being a School Board member. Elections for School Board members will be held in April 2019 and petitions to run for School Board may be picked up at the School District or County Court House on or after September 18.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Deakin, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to approve the agenda as presented. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

7. MINUTES:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

8. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

Under Principals' reports, Mr. Braun announced Caitlin Patterson as September Senior of the Month and the following students for Homecoming Royalty: Addy Williams and Nick Gilpin, Queen and King; Madison Draughan and Ethan Yaste, 1st Senior Attendants; Makayla Gilpin and Sam Decker, 2nd Senior Attendants; Ariel Schnarr and Taylor Lester, Junior Attendants; Miranda Viano and Ethan Martindale, Sophomore Attendants; Madison Gandy and Hayden Thum, Freshman Attendants. The Varsity volleyball team has a record of 7-3 and placed 2nd in the Fulton County tournament, with Addy Williams being selected to the All-Tournament team. Audrey Tarchione and Caitlyn Collier were selected to the All-Tournament team for the North Fulton Fresh/Soph Invitational Tournament on September 8. The Varsity football team has a record of 2-2. There are 20 total girls out for Middle School basketball. The 7th and 8th grade teams each have a record of 1-0. Mr. Braun presented the Edgenuity program which is currently being used for Math curriculum and instruction this year. Courses are for seniors only, and only for those who have completed their Math graduation requirements. These online classes are supervised by a High School classroom teacher, provide a foundation for college and careers, and should reduce the chances of needing remedial coursework in college. Mr. Braun asked Mrs. Clark to explain the SquareUp POS system for FFA sales. This computer program is designed to help manage small businesses by tracking sales, inventory and credit card processing. The Board would need to approve a new bank account for FFA funds to be deposited into.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced the first day of school went well in all areas. Muffins with Moms/Donuts with Dads was held in the cafeteria, hosted by the PTO. It was well attended and the Fall Informational meeting for Title I took place as well. Beginning of the year building procedures are being taught in all settings. The first incentive was held with all students in attendance. Meet the Teacher/Back to School Night was very well attended. The fundraiser representative served food, the building looked very nice and students were extremely proud to bring their families to the event. Fifth graders had the opportunity to try different instruments before choosing one to play for band. Students brought their parents to meet Mr. Stauffer and the representative from the music store. The Elementary staff is using Class Dojo to communicate with parents and guardians again this year. This system has been very well received by the families. Professional development occurred throughout the first two weeks during early dismissals. Topics covered were:

staff evaluation, Safe School Plan, PBIS, Trauma Informed Care, Speed Resource Review, MAP data, DIBELS data, Mandated Topics, technology updates, and instructional grouping. Beginning benchmark scores were established in DIBELS/Math CBM for students in grades K-5, in NWEA/MAP for participating students in grades 2-5, STAR Reader in grades 1-5. All students in grades K-5 were given classroom based assessments as well.

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Under the Superintendent's report, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced she would be attending the Title I and IASA Superintendents' Conferences September 25-28 in Springfield. She presented the previous year's PARCC scores which were very good and stated a FOIA request from HBO had been answered followed up on. The District Leadership Committee met September 10 and made plans for a community event. Also discussed under the Superintendent's report were the 196 acres of tillable farm land used by the Ag Program. MSD has requested the School District reimburse them over \$12,000 for last year's real estate taxes and to petition for tax-exempt status on the 196 acres the Ag Department leases from them. The District's attorney has advised Mrs. Simmons-Kenser that the district is not responsible for said real estate taxes and he doesn't think it possible to apply for a tax exempt status. The current lease with MSD will expire February 28, 2019. The School Board advised Mrs. Clark to begin looking for around 60 acres of tillable farm land which could be used to replace the MSD property. Mrs. Simmons-Kenser mentioned new legislation which requires students to be present for an active shooter safety drill. This drill is required to take place during the first ninety days of school and the Administration would be given leeway as to which students would need to be present for that.

11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Board members discussed Co-op summer transportation costs, extracurricular drug testing, and the future of NFW football. The transportation costs were minimal and not a concern. The District has guidelines in place for drug testing so the Board does not see the need to have mandatory testing. As for the future of football, Board members would like feedback from the community as to their reaction to 8-man football.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to enter closed session at 9:56 P.M. to consider evaluation, resignation or employment of personnel, and collective bargaining. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. McCance, Mr. Mance, Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Deakin. Motion carried.

Mr. Wallace left the meeting at the end of closed session.

MOTION by Mr. Mance, seconded by Mrs. Davis to go out of closed session at 11:44 P.M. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Mance, Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. McCance. Motion carried.

ACTION TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

13. CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items approved were: minutes of the August 13, 2018, regular meeting and closed session meeting, District Cash Balance Report, \$1,534,019.11 (August); High School Activity Account, \$59,476.12 (August) and C.D. Account, \$23,423.64 (August); Payroll for August, \$233,989.24; August vendor bills, \$133,692.78; September vendor bills, \$35,417.35; Cuba Elementary Activity Account, \$3,839.02 (August), and Cuba Elementary Tom Wat Account, \$19,218.49 (August); adoption of Board policies (second reading) 4:80, 6:60, 7:50, 6.130, 6.135, 7.340 and 2.260; High School Band trip to Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois on October 12, 2018; FCCLA Ignite Conference September 30-October 1, 2018 in Springfield; fees in the amount of \$150.00 for six Board members to attend the Western Division dinner in Macomb; IGA with ROE 26 for the Edgenuity online curriculum program; Charity Adams as the IMRF authorized agent for CUSD #3. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance and Mr. Mance. Motion carried.

14. OLD BUSINESS:

14.1 **Approval of FY19 Budget.** MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mance to approve the 2018-2019 budget as presented. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Mance and Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

15. NEW BUSINESS:

15.1a1 **Resignations -**

15.1a1 MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to accept the resignation of Dawn Stambaugh as High School track coach. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

15.2 **Approval of Collective Bargaining.** MOTION by Mrs. Deakin, seconded by Mr. Mance to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Cuba Federation of Teachers and CUSD #3 Fulton County School District. Roll call "Yeas": Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Mance, Mr. Corsaw and Mrs. Davis. Motion carried.

15.3 **Mileage and Meal Reimbursement.** MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to approve the adjustment of mileage reimbursement and meal reimbursement rates to federal rates in Policy 5:60 annually. Roll

call "Yeas": Mrs. McCance, Mr. Mance, Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Deakin. Motion carried.

15.4 **New Bank Account.** MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to approve a new bank account for FFA sales management. Roll call "Yeas": Mr. Mance, Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. McCance. Motion carried.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
None.

17. ADJOURNMENT:
. MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to adjourn the meeting at 11:58 P.M. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

Sue McCance, Board President

Debora Deakin, Board Secretary