

Red Oak Community School District  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Meeting Location: Red Oak Inman Elementary/ Phone/Internet  
Red Oak Inman Elementary Campus  
October 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Red Oak Community School District was called to order by President Bryce Johnson at 7:00 p.m. at the Red Oak Inman Elementary School Media Center.

**Present**

Directors: Bret Blackman, Roger Carlson, Jackie DeVries, Bryce Johnson, Kathy Walker  
Superintendent Ron Lorenz, Business Manager Deb Drey

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Director Blackman, second by Director Walker to approve the agenda with the order of agenda items at the discretion of the meeting chair. Motion carried unanimously.

**Good News from Red Oak Schools**

The FFA Reporter's Chapter Scrapbook completed by Ashley Henneman was chosen as the State FFA Champion by the Iowa FFA Association.

The FFA Chapter fed over 80 individuals as part of its annual Harvest Appreciation "Feed our Farmers."

Clear Touch Interactive Flat Panel training, which was postponed due to COVID-19, is be offered on Wednesday, October 14, 2020.

Work has begun on the parking lot south of the Red Oak Early Childhood Center. This project is being coordinated and funded by the Montgomery County Child Development Association.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion by Director Blackman, second by Director DeVries to approve the consent agenda as presented including meeting minutes, open enrollments, personnel considerations, and special education contracts with East Mills Community School District. Motion carried unanimously.

**Return to Learn Plan Revisions**

Motion by Director Walker, second by Director Carlson to revise the Return to Learn Plan to limit the remote learning options to students with verified medical rationale or other extenuating circumstances. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Director Walker, second by Director Blackman to revise the Return to Learn Plan to require students and staff to wear face coverings throughout the school day except during lunch. Motion carried unanimously.

**District Level Investigator**

Motion by Director Carlson, second by Director Walker to appoint Justin Williams as the district's Level 1 Investigator and Debbie Graber as the district's alternate Level 1 Investigator. Motion carried unanimously.

**School Beyond School Field Trip**

Motion by Director DeVries, second by Director Walker to approve the School Beyond School fieldtrip to the Bellevue Berry Farm on October 17, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

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### **Early Graduation Request**

Motion by Director Walker, second by Director DeVries to approve the early graduation request of Jade Loftness. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Administrative Reports**

Jane Chaillie reported that elementary pictures will be tomorrow. FAST testing is completed with 94% of the students taking the assessment. Fifty-three percent of the elementary students are proficient in the benchmark for literacy. The buildings are still having connectivity issues. Substitutes for teachers and para professionals are a struggle to find.

Nate Perrien reported that the Junior/Senior High School students have completed bench mark screenings. The scores were not as low as they were expected to be considering the COVID-19 closure. Parents of students with failing grades each week are receiving an email regarding the issue.

Ron Lorenz asked for a board member to be the delegate to the Iowa Association of School Boards Delegate Assembly. Kathy Walker volunteered to be Red Oak's delegate. The District will have a new web site with school board information which will include board member bios and photographs. Mr. Lorenz will have a photographer come to an upcoming board meeting to take the photos. Effective October 15,2020, restrictions will be relaxed at activities. Attention will no longer be limited but all attendees will be required to wear masks and no food or drink will be allowed in the gym.

### **Closed Session**

Motion by Director Carlson, second by Director Walker to enter closed session at 7:39 p.m. per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) and (i) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for that governmental body's possession or continued receipt of federal funds; and to evaluation the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Exited closed session at 7:59 p.m.

### **Contract Release**

Motion by Director Blackman, second by Director Walker to release Donald Weed from his contract effective October 12, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Director Carlson, second by Director Walker to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, October 26, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.  
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Red Oak CSD Inman Elementary Campus