

June 8, 2009

A regular meeting of the Coloma Board of Education was held at the Coloma Junior High School Media Center, in the district, on June 8, 2009. Bill Stowers called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

The following members were present:

Scott Garrod
Bob Hirsch
Heidi Ishmael

Doug LeClear
Bill Stowers
Apryl Watson

David Vollrath was absent.

The following school administrators were present:

Terry Boguth
John Brown
William Dygert
Rita Moore
Peter Olsen

Daryl Ost
Scott Pauley
Fred Paulsen
Ken Schmaltz

It was moved by Mr. Garrod and supported by Mr. LeClear to adopt the agenda of June 8, 2009.

Ayes: Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Garrod and supported by Mr. Hirsch to go into closed session for a student disciplinary hearing.

Ayes: Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into closed session at 6:35 and returned to open session at 7:35 p.m.

David Vollrath entered the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Garrod and supported by Mrs. Watson to expel the student from Coloma Community Schools.

Ayes: Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Abstention: David Vollrath

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mrs. Ishmael to adopt the consent agenda of June 8, 2009.

- A. Minutes of the special meeting held May 5, 2009
- B. Minutes of the closed meeting held May 5, 2009
- C. Minutes of the regular meeting held on May 11, 2009
- D. Minutes of the closed meeting held on May 11, 2009
- E. Approval of the bills.

Ayes: Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Tracy Gierada announced that the North Berrien Historical Society offers free summer education programs.

Lois Jordan expressed concern regarding graduation: wheelchair seating, hearing/impaired seating and visibility was blocked by the activity going on.

Cheryl Thomas requested funding for marching band uniforms.

Debbie Bachman is the seamstress for band uniforms and their distress level.

The Superintendent's report included:

- Girls Soccer program – Jim Hogue, Amber Gorzynski, Captain
- QZAB Update
- JAG Update
- Date of Budget Hearing
- Principals "2008-09 School Year Review"

- Board Retreat
- Monthly Financial Report
- Other: Kitchen equipment grant – Stimulus money
- Youth Wellness grant

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. LeClear to set June 29, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. for the budget hearing to include proposed property tax millage rate.

Ayes: Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Garrod and supported by Mrs. Ishmael to approve the membership resolution with the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Hirsch and supported by Mr. LeClear to enter into a contract with Tech@Work, llc for services rendered by Ed Irvin for the 2009-2010 school year at a cost not to exceed \$37,500.

Ayes: Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. Hirsch to grant the following individuals supplemental contracts for the 2009-2010 school year as per the negotiated contract:

Terry Sheehan	Audio Visual Repair Person	\$1,500.00
Mark Allen	Varsity Baseball Coach	\$5,243.40
Wendy Goodline	Varsity Softball Coach	\$5,243.40
Bruce Dings	Girls Track Coach	\$5,243.40

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Marge Urness	Girls Tennis Coach	\$4,369.50
Patrick Veine	Varsity Golf Coach	\$4,048.06
Kevin VanPetaghem	Asst. Varsity Baseball Coach	\$3,058.65
David Ehlers	Asst. Varsity Softball Coach	\$2,946.25
Rebecca Allen	Junior Varsity Softball Coach	\$2,946.25
Jarrett Burgess	Asst. Boys Track Coach	\$2,833.46
Jennifer Ickes	Asst. Girls Track Coach	\$3,058.65
Stan Watts	Junior Varsity Golf Coach	\$2,608.93
Mike Churchill	Head Junior High Track Coach	\$2,721.25
Eula Henderson	Asst. 7 th & 8 th Grade Track Coach	hourly up to \$2,621.70
Jack Goodrick	Junior Varsity Baseball Coach	hourly up to \$3,058.65

Ayes: Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. Garrod that due to financial constraints and a reduction in student enrollment, the administration has determined that a reduction in staff is necessary for the 2010 school year and recommends that the following personnel be laid off effective at the end of the day May 29, 2009.

David Bischoff

Ayes: Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Ishmael and supported by Mr. Garrod to approve the application of Denise Dunleavy for family medical leave effective the first day of school through November 27, 2009.

Ayes: Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mrs. Watson approve the appointments of Kristi Craft and Nicole Harris to the Berrien RESA Parent Advisory Council, each for two year terms from September 2009 through August 2011.

Ayes: Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Lori Jarvis asked if the Trimester concept has been evaluated; wondered if it is working.

It was moved by Mr. Garrod and supported by Mr. LeClear to go into closed session for the evaluation of the Superintendent.

Ayes: Dave Vollrath, Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into closed session at 8:35 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:50 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. Hirsch to extend the Superintendent's contract until 2012. A letter of support was provided to the Superintendent commending her performance.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Scott Garrod, Bob Hirsch, Heidi Ishmael, Doug LeClear, Bill Stowers, Dave Vollrath

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Garrod
Secretary, Board of Education