

**Claysburg-Kimmel School District
Minutes of October 4, 2023
Work Session**

The Board met in a work session at 7:09 pm on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, with the following present: Craig Burket, Roger Knisely, Dr. Eckley, Mandi Daugherty, Heidi Kennedy, Joseph Musselman, Jeremy Knott, Rich Gergely, Jerome Dodson, Matt Hall, Chuck Kassick, Brannon Raptosh, Stacey Claycomb, Rachel Foor (Altoona Mirror), Jennifer Dambeck (Beard Legal Group), Dena Burket and Brian Helsel.

Mr. Gergely noted that the Board met in executive session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel issues.

Dr. Helsel addressed the Board during his Superintendent report. He addressed Volunteer Clearances and Board Policy. A Volunteer Clearance Requirement document was presented. Jennifer Dambeck clarified what the law requires regarding volunteers clearances. He asked Jerome Dodson and Michelle Guyer to present the need for an Erate Consultant. He notified the Board that the District was approved to receive 5 FID days. He explained the extension of Act 91. Updated/new job descriptions were presented.

Mr. Hall addressed the Board during his Elementary Principal report. He informed the Board that the Reading Benchmarks were improved so much that he rewarded the staff with coffee and donuts and that the students will be rewarded with a visit from the Brain Freezer’s truck. He explained how data informed instruction is being implemented at the elementary school. He noted that there was recently a fire prevention assembly and safety assembly. He was happy to report that Senior Athletes, Cheerleaders and Band students visited the elementary school and welcomed elementary students as they got off the buses in the morning.

Mr. Kassick addressed the Board during his Secondary Principal report. He informed the Board of how well the homecoming festivities went. He also discussed Student Learning Objectives and getting ready to move towards Student Performance Measures with staff. He addressed test scores/PVAAS. He spoke about double periods of ELE, math and co-teaching for 7th and 8th grade and how this is improving testing scores. He spoke about some initiatives to get a hands-on approach with science programs. He addressed the Incentive Lounge and the soft opening that will be happening this month.

Dr. Helsel informed the Board of the following things that will be brought to the Board at the Official Meeting on October 11, 2023:

- New fee schedule
- Possible support staff substitutes
- Job Descriptions
- PTO volunteers

Mr. Knott gave the Board an Athletic Project update and discussed a walk through scheduled for October 11, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Dena Burket

Board Secretary