

Coal City Community Unit School District No. One
Board of Education Meeting
Meeting will begin in the Coal City Middle School Gym at 6:00 p.m.
500 S. Carbon Hill Road

Coal City CUSD #1 District Office Board Room, 550 S. Carbon Hill Road

April 3, 2024

Public Session - 6:30 p.m.

It Is The Mission Of The Coal City Community Unit School District #1 ...to prepare today's learners for tomorrow's challenges.

Coal City Middle School Gym

1. Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Notices and Communications

Introduction/acknowledgement of guest

The Board will recognize the following groups:

- HS IHSA State Wrestling Qualifiers
- MS IESA State Wrestling Qualifiers
- MS 7th Grade Volleyball Team

Motion: Discussion/Action to adjourn the meeting to the District Office to reconvene at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Move to Coal City District Office Boardroom

Motion: Discussion/Action to reconvene the Board Meeting at _____ p.m.

Roll Call

Communications from the Floor

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Meeting Minutes – Regular and Study Session

Closed Session Meeting Minutes – Regular and Study Session

Activity Fund Reports

Treasurer's Report

Monthly Manual Check Report

Payroll Report

Accounts Payable Report

Approval of Resignations

Approval of Employment

Approval of Employee Transfers

Approval of Leave Requests

Approval of Extra-Curricular Assignments

Approval of Facility Use Requests

4. Administrative/Committee Reports

A. Early Childhood Center Report

B. Elementary School Report

C. Intermediate School Report

D. Middle School Report

E. High School Report

F. Special Populations Report

G. Curriculum Report

H. Superintendent's Report

I. Grundy Area Vocational Center Report

J. [Athletic Director Report](#)

5. Communications from the Floor

6. Old Business

- A. [Discussion on](#) Facilities Improvement Plan
- B. [Discussion/Action](#) on Accepting the Lowest Responsible Bid for Concessions Building & Storage Building, and Maintenance Building Remodel Project
- C. [Discussion/Action](#) on Proposal for the Demolition of Former Unit Office Building
- D. [Discussion/Action](#) on FY25 Advertising and Sponsorship Guidelines
- E. [Discussion/Action](#) on Scoreboard Proposal from Daktronics
- F. [Discussion/Action](#) Support Staff Starting Salary
- G. [Discussion](#) on FY25 Certified Staff Openings

7. New Business

- A. [Discussion/Action](#) on Hazardous Bus Route Declaration
- B. [Discussion/Action](#) on Quarterly Drop Out Report
- C. [Discussion/Action](#) on IHSA Membership Renewal
- D. [Discussion/Action](#) Builder's Risk Policy
- E. [Discussion/Action](#) on Superintendent Employment Authorization
- F. [Discussion/Action](#) on Summer Camp Dates
- G. [First Reading on](#) Revised District Policies
- H. [Discussion/Action](#) on IESA Membership Renewal

8. Open for Items Not Known at Agenda Preparation Time

[Communications from the Floor](#)

9. [Closed Session](#) for the purpose of considering information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal of specific employees, and collective bargaining matters.

Action as a Result of Closed Session

Possible Approval of the Salary Increase for Support Staff for the 24 – 25 School Year

Adjournment

Section 1

MEETING WILL BEGIN IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM

CALL TO ORDER

President Miller called the regular meeting to order at _____ p.m. with the board members answering roll call present: Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, and Ken Miller.

Roll Call:

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Section 2

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Introduction/acknowledgement of guests.
2. High School Principal Art Stafford, and Wrestling Coach Mark Masters will be in attendance to recognize individual and team State Qualifiers for wrestling.

Middle School Principal Travis Johnson, and Wrestling Coach Joey Rivera will be in attendance to recognize individual State Wrestling Qualifiers.

Mr. Johnson, and Volleyball Coach Gina Horrie will be in attendance to recognize the 7th grade State Volleyball Qualifiers.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE TO RECONVENE AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

(Move to district office)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MOTION TO RECONVENE THE BOARD MEETING AT _____ P.M.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

1. In regard to agenda items
2. In general (Limited to 5 minutes per person.)

Section 3

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Are there any items that the Board would like to remove from the consent agenda?

To approve the consent agenda including the minutes and closed session minutes from the regular meeting of March 6, the February Activity Fund Reports; February Treasurer's Report, the March Monthly Manual Checks report; the March Payrolls, the April Accounts Payable, personnel items including approval of resignations, employments, employee transfers, leave requests, extra-curricular assignments, and to approve the following building usage requests as listed:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Date</u>
YMCA	IS	06/17/24 - 06/20/24
YMCA	IS	07/08/24 - 07/11/24
CYBL	IS	03/2024 – 06/2024
CYBL	MS	04/22/24 – 06/07/24
CC Soccer Club	HS	04/13/24 & 05/11/24
The Lovettes/Shake Baby Shake	PAC	04/13/24

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

Section 4

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS

A. EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER REPORT

Principal Davidson Reported:

Calendar of Events:

March 22nd - April 1st - Spring Break

April 2nd - School Resumes

April 2nd - Specials Team Meeting @ 2:55 p.m.

April 9th - 1st Grade Music Concert @ 6:30 p.m.

April 10th - Early Dismissal
April 10th - 24/25 Kindergarten Registration
April 15th - Beans-and-Bites
April 15th - SPED team meeting @ 2:55 p.m.
April 16th - Kindergarten Team Meeting @ 11:15 a.m.
April 16th - 1st Grade Team Meeting @ 12:15 p.m.
April 17th - PreK Team Meeting @ 10:45 a.m.
April 23rd - Building Committee Meeting Date - 2:55 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
April 23rd - A Team Meeting @ 2:55 p.m.

Current Enrollment:

PreK: 190

Kindergarten: 148

1st Grade: 135

Total: 473 (in PowerSchool as of March 20th, 2024)

Completed Required Safety Drills for 2023-2024:

- August 29th - Fire Drill (with Fire Department present)
- September 5th - Shelter-in-Place Drill
- September 6th - Bus Evacuation Drill
- September 18th - Armed Intruder Drill (with Coal City Police Department present)
- September 28th - Fire Drill

Month-in-Review:

- Read Across America week was celebrated March 5th-8th. Students enjoyed themed days and Dr. Seuss stories and crafts.
- Family Reading Night was held at Coal City Early Childhood Center on Wednesday, March 20th. The night was a huge success! Students enjoyed listening to stories, making crafts, playing BINGO and enjoying snacks.
- The Kindergarten class (Class of 2036) presented “Food Jam” on Thursday, March 21st. The music concert/art show was a huge success! Student self-portraits were on display in the event entry foyer to be purchased for a donation of any amount. Congratulations to Mrs. Kodat and Mrs. Brncich on a fabulous evening of the Arts.
- Thursday, March 21st was World Down Syndrome Day. Students “rocked their socks” and wore crazy socks.
- March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness month. On Friday, March 22nd, students enjoyed a hat day with a \$1 donation for Beans-and-Bites. Beans-and-Bites provides the ECC staff with coffee and pastries once a month.

Recognition:

- Congratulations to Mrs. Kodat and Mrs. Brncich on a fabulous evening of the arts!
- Thank you to Kristen Strunga, Katie Ludes, and Tracy Schmitz for the amazing work put in to make Family Reading Night a success!

B. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

Principal Trotter reported:

Calendar of Events:

- April 2nd: School Resumes
- April 9th: Spring Pictures
- April 10th: Early Dismissal
- April 18th: 2nd Grade Concert
- April 18th: 3rd Grade Field trip
- April 23rd: 3rd Grade Concert

ES Enrollment:

1st Grade (SpEd) 3 students

2nd Grade: 146 students

3rd Grade: 150 students

4th Grade (SpEd) 5 students

Total: 304 (enrolled as of 3/22/2024)

CCES Happenings and Recognitions:

- March was another busy month at the Elementary School. We started the month with Read Across America Week. The students participated in some great spirit days - Pajama Day, Wacky Dress Day (the students dressed like the teachers and staff dressed like the students), Dr. Seuss Day and Crazy Sock Day.
- Our Third Graders participated in their first Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Test the week of March 18th. I'm proud of the hard work our students put into preparing for the test and our Second Graders were a big help by being extra quiet and respectful in the hallways the week of March 18th.
- A huge shout out to Katie Ludes and her team for all their time and effort into organizing another widely successful Family Reading Night.
- Finally, thanks to the entire CCES Staff. They have really worked hard this year to collaborate and develop new ideas for helping our students find success. I truly have an amazing team!

C. INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL REPORT

Principal Carlson reported:

Calendar of Events:

4/2 - School Resumes

4/3 - A Team Meeting 3:00 p.m.

4/4 - CPI Team Meeting 3:00 p.m.

4/8 - SpEd Team Meeting 3:00 p.m.

4/9 - TALC Meeting 3:00 p.m.

4/10 - Student Council Meeting 7:30 a.m.

4/10 - Spring Pictures and Homeroom Pictures

4/10 - 11:35 a.m. Dismissal

4/11 - 4th Grade Rehearsal 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. at CCHS

4/11 - Support Staff Meeting 3:00 p.m.

4/11 - 4th Grade Concert 7:00 p.m. at CCHS

4/14 - Family Bags/Corn Hole Tournament 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

4/15 - SAP Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/16 - PBS Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/17 - Assessment Reviews 3:00 p.m.
 4/18 - 5th Grade Donuts with My Grown-ups 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
 4/19 - 4th Grade Donuts with My Grown-ups 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
 4/22 - SpEd Team Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/23 - 4/25 IL Science Assessment, 5th Grade
 4/23 - TALC Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/24 - Student Council Meeting 7:30 a.m.
 4/24 - Team Meetings 3:00 p.m.
 4/25 - 5th Grade Rehearsal 11:30 a.m. -2:30 at CCHS
 4/25 - Young Author Celebration 12:30 at Grand Bear Lodge in Utica
 4/25 - Custodian Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/25 - 5th Grade Music & Band Concert 7:00 p.m. at CCHS
 4/29 - SAP Meeting 3:00 p.m.
 4/30 - PBS Meeting 3:00 p.m.

Current Enrollment:

4th Grade - 132

5th Grade - 133

Total 265 This includes six 4th grade students and one 5th grade student who are enrolled in other special education programs outside of CCIS.

Emergency/Crisis Drills Completed:

Evacuation/Fire	8/23/23; 10/27/23; 3/7/24
Shelter-in-Place/Storm	8/24/23; 11/15/23; 1/19/24; 2/16/24
Lockdown	8/25/23; 12/19/23
Bus Evacuation	8/30/23
Armed Intruder	9/18/23

Previous Month in Review:

- On February 28 and 29 we held our Girls and Boys Candyland Dance Parties, formally known as our Daddy/Daughter and Mother/Son Dances.
- We celebrated Read Across America Week 3/5-3/8.
 Tuesday - Pajama Day for Dr. Seuss' *Sleep Book*
 Wednesday - Dress Wacky or Dress Like a Teacher for Dr. Seuss' *Wacky Wednesday*
 Thursday - Dr. Seuss Shirt and/or Hat Day for Dr. Seuss' *The Cat in the Hat*
 Friday - Crazy/Silly Socks Day for Dr. Seuss' *Fox in Socks*
- We practiced another Evacuation Drill on March 7.
- On March 9th 23 staff members did the Polar Plunge to raise money for Special Olympics Illinois.
- From 3/11-3/15 CCIS collected donations for Help for Hope during our annual "Let's Make a Difference Week".

Munchie Monday ~ Snacks and nonperishable food items

Toiletry Tuesday ~ Toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, tissue

Washup Wednesday ~ Soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, loofas

It's Thursday, Baby ~ Diapers, wipes, formula, pacifiers, baby food

Floss Friday ~ Toothpaste, toothbrush, floss, mouthwash

- CCIS celebrated Pi (3.14) Day on 3/14 with a contest to see who had memorized the most digits of the infinite number. Students who participated were given a piece of candy. The top winners were given a small pie and a certificate. These students are noted below in the Student Recognition section.
- On March 14 we walked to CCHS for a preview of *Mary Poppins*.
- Youth Art Night was held on March 14 at the Coal City Public Library from 5:00-7:00.
- CCIS took the state IAR (IL Assessment of Readiness) tests 3/18-3/20. To keep the students motivated throughout the testing week, we gave them special test-taking messages along with small treats, and our student council provided gum and mints.
 - *Stay **M**otivated & **M**agnificent.....M&M's*
 - *A Burst of Star Power so you Shine on the Test....Starburst and a Good Luck Token*
 - *Stay Sharp and Think Smart.....Color-changing Pencil and Smarties*
- Family Reading Night was held on March 20 at the ECC from 5:30-7:15.
- We “rocked our socks” in honor of World Down Syndrome Day on March 21. Globally, people wear bright, mismatched, or extra socks on 3/21 because Down Syndrome happens when the 21st chromosome is tripled.
- On March 22 we had a PBS Family Feud Game Show/Assembly for students who had positive behavior at least 80% of school days in January, February, and March. We also had a raffle, which students could enter using their Coaler Cash, for a chance to spin our huge wheel to win a pizza party, popsicles, special drink or more Coaler Cash.
- March was Extraordinary Effort and Perseverance month at CCIS. Our teachers and staff nominated 1 student each week throughout the month. Nominated students (noted in the Student Recognition section) were recognized and given a piece of candy. Their names were also entered into a raffle for a chance to win 1 of 4 grand prizes.
- We currently have 26 students in ASAP (After School Assistance Program); 10 in 4th grade and 16 in 5th grade. Recommended students receive homework help from 3:00-4:00 three days a week from Mrs. Cowherd, Mrs. Rink, or Mrs. Drinkwine.
- We held the following “Theme Thursday” spirit days this past month: Bandana Day, Basketball Shirt/Jersey Day, and Silly Socks Day.
- Every Friday was Coalers Spirit Day at CCIS!

Student Recognition:

- Congratulations to following Students of the Week:
 - Week of 3/5: Mitchell Bordewyk, Olivia Mierzwa, Leah Alexander, Liam Hollis
 - Week of 3/11: Grace Reyelts, Slater Hill, Kamden Martino and Amelia Hicks
 - Week of 3/18: Ryder Riley, Skylar Crist, Raelyn Aldridge, Rylan Davy
- Congratulations to our March extraordinary Effort and Perseverance nominees:
 - Jack Connor, Ainsley Viano, Camryn Farrell, Lorelei Miotk, Bryce O’Brien, Madilynn Williams, Lily Connor-Mikos, Brynn Manering, Zoiey Jones, Allisson Nova, Olivia Beach, Liam Parker, Logan Seranella, Reese Brown, Abi Donnelly, Isaac Riggs, Hunter Shawarko, Freddie Breen, Mason Wren, Collin Ness, Rosaria Mugnolo, Sadie Jones, Mortisha Rutherford, Jacklyn Reszel, Duncan Alcala, Seth Langer, Brayden Brncich, Liam Barrus, Bryce O’Brien, Reagan Jeschke, Carly Chapman, Liana Bakiu, Kenley Dearth, Ayden Magana, Vivian Hannon, Zoiey Jones, Kylee Looper, Gray Wetenkamp, Callie Lehnus, Kahlan Cooley, and Kam Gabehart.
- Congratulations to our Pi Day Contest winners!

4th Grade: Harper Neal recited 40 digits, Grace Medina-Flores 51, **Elliott Erhard 71**

5th Grade: Reagan Jeschke recited 51 digits, Lilly Harney 100, **Hailey Fisher 109**

Staff Recognition:

- I want to thank Mrs. Schmitz for all her work preparing for Family Reading Night.
- I want to thank Mr. McCleary and Miss Thelo for running our PBS Family Feud assembly, and I want to thank Mr. Leve, Mr. Rivera, Miss Jacobs, and Miss Connelly for helping.
- I want to thank Mrs. Bajt for helping with Youth Art Night at the public library.
- I want to thank the following staff for volunteering for the CCIS dances: Ali Scrogham, Tanya Miller, Tricia Hall, Jenn Rink, Andy Leve, Amy Gaffigan, Nikki Boresi, Betsy Cowherd, Amy Gernenz, Sonja Minnick, Cherie Sieger, Joey Rivera, Savannah Jacobs, and Steph Barkley.
- I want to thank our custodians, Tommy Onsen, Reilly Radomski, and Denise Esparza, for helping with set-up and clean-up for our two CCIS dances.
- I want to recognize the following staff members who received the weekly CCIS Kudos:
 - Mrs. Scrogham for all the work she did helping with the CCIS dances
 - Miss Minnick for organizing our Coal City team for Special Olympics Illinois' Polar Plunge
 - Mrs. Bajt for painting the art room nice and calming

D. MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

Principal Johnson reported:

Calendar of Events:

March 23 - April 1	NO SCHOOL Spring Break
April 2	School Resumes
April 3	Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
April 10	12:00 p.m. EARLY DISMISSAL – Staff Development Day
April 16	Music Honor Society Induction – 7:00 p.m. - CCPAC
April 17	Track and Field Pictures
April 24	Board Study Session – 6:00 p.m. – Unit Office
April 30	MS Chorus Concert – 7:00 p.m. – CCPAC

CCMS Attendance:

6th Grade 164

7th Grade 159

8th Grade 165

Total 488

Month in Review:

Coal City Schools observed Casimir Pulaski's birthday on March 4.

CCMS 8th grade students were fitted for their 8th grade promotion gowns on March 6.

Thanks to Ryan Bunton, Kerry Yedinak, and Mercedes Neal for their help with the students.

CCMS 7th GRADE VOLLEYBALL FINISH SECOND IN STATE

The 7th Grade Volleyball team, coached by Gina Horrie, took second place in the IESA 4A Volleyball State Championship on March 9. The Lady Coalers began play on Friday and defeated Chatham Glenwood in two sets-25-19 and 25-12. The win advanced them to the Final Four on Saturday, March 10. In the second round, the Coalers played great and defeated St. Jacob Triad in two sets-25-23 and 25-19. The Coalers were defeated by Frankfort Hickory Creek in the championship match and gave it their all in the final match. The Coalers lost in two sets-25-12 and 25-11 to the undefeated state champions. Congratulations to Ms. Horrie, Mrs. McMurtrey and Mrs. Painter and the girls for their fantastic season and second place finish.

CCMS WRESTLING at IESA STATE FINALS

Congratulations to Coach Joey Rivera and the CCMS Wrestling Coalers who competed in the IESA State Championship at Northern IL University. The Coalers qualified eight wrestlers to the State final with four of the wrestlers earning medals at the state meet.

CCMS State Placers:

Brantley Brooks – 75 pounds – 5th Place

Ryder Gill – 80 pounds – 5th Place

Jacob Piatak – 90 Pounds – 6th Place

Phoenix Senodenos – 100 Pounds – 5th Place

Other IESA State Wrestlers were:

Gavin Roudis – 100 pounds

Max Christensen – 126 pounds

Ryker Long – 126 pounds

Gabe “Fuzzy” Hamilton – 175 pounds

Congratulations to all of our CCMS wrestlers and coaches on another outstanding season. Best of luck to our 8 wrestlers who are moving onto high school.

IVC CONFERENCE SPELLING BEE

The IVC Conference Spelling Bee took place on March 11 at Morris Grade School. Coal City had three representatives: Landyn Pierard, Max Christensen and Xander Baer. Brady Pierson, and Delanie Winke. The students representing Coal City did a great job at the IVC Conference Spelling Bee. Max Christensen took first place for 7th grade representatives. Thanks to sponsors Jen Munsterman and Tara Sweeney for their work and help on the Spelling Bee.

- The CCMS Coaler Character Trait for the month focused on Character. Character is defined as a set of qualities or values, that shape our thoughts, actions, reactions, and feelings. People with good character show compassion, are honest and fair and are good citizens.

Students recognized for displaying high character in their classes were:

Sixth grade—Riley Peters and Mitchell Jessen

Seventh grade—Olivia Ferrari and Troy Larson

Eighth grade—Sophia Holzinger and Alexander Nicola

Encore—Patrick Doerfler and Morgan Schnuckel

Each of the students received a certificate and McDonalds gift card for their excellent work at school. Confidence and self-worth are the next area of focus for next month.

- Coal City Schools held a Staff Development Day on March 13. CCMS teachers continued their spring professional development activities. CCMS teachers also meet with their content departments to discuss end of the year activities and the upcoming summer curriculum and assessment work.
- March 15 marked the end of the third quarter of the school year.
- CCMS Student Council sponsored their second dance of the school year on March 15. The dance had a St. Patrick's Day theme. We had a good turnout of students at the dance at the dance. Thanks to Pam McMurtrey and Jen Munsterman and the CCMS Student Council for their planning and work on the dance.
- CCMS students participated in the IL Assessment of Readiness (IAR). Testing beginning on March 22 with 8th grade CCMS students taking tests in the areas of science. CCMS Students will be taking the IAR English Language Arts and Mathematics assessments on April 9, 12 and 21 when we return to school from spring break.
- CCMS 8th grade Parent Night was held on March 20. 8th grade students and families were able to visit Coal City High School and meet with their counselors and see the various clubs and activities available. Thanks to Art Stafford, Corey Mikula, Brad Boresi, Erin Dransfeldt, and Keith Kiper for their work in getting this event planned for the incoming freshmen.
- CCMS students were on Spring Break from March 23 – April 1.

E. HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Principal Stafford reported:

Calendar of Events:

- April 1 - NO SCHOOL
- April 10 - Early Dismissal
- April 17 - SAT (No senior attendance)
- April 27 - Prom

Month in Review:

- Eighth Grade Parent Night - On the 13th, CCHS hosted its 8th grade parent night. The night started with a presentation on course options, basic information for incoming freshmen and post-secondary information. After the presentation, students and parents had the opportunity to tour the school and meet with people from each of the high school clubs and activities. Course selection was completed for all returning students for the 2024-25 school year. Counselors met with each student individually to select class and to ensure appropriate placement in accordance to the advanced placement act.
- Former Major League Baseball player Scott Spezio came to speak with students earlier this month. His message was one of courage, perseverance and finding inner strength to pull you through difficult times. He also spoke about his own personal struggles and how he asked for help and leaned on his faith, family, and true friends.

Recognition:

- At the induction ceremony on March 19th, 33 CCHS students were inducted into the Pete DiPaolo Chapter of the National Honors Society. Each student chose an influential teacher or coach to introduce them. The following students are this year's inductees.

Anthony Aultz, Corinna Barkley, Emily Bergmark, Ayalianna Castle, Korbyn Crist, Mackenzie Croxton, Austin Davy, Lilly Feisley, Mia Ferrias, Alysia Fite, Peyton Gibson, Zannah Harvey, Maxwell Hone, Alyssa Hray, William Johnke, Melody Kinder, Kylee Kennell, Owen Kent, Deborah Lynch, Mackenzie Messina, Ava Meyer, Mason Natyshok, Hunter Nettles, Alyssa Parks, Mady Petersen, Chloe Plugger, Katherine Promis, Molly Ramsden, Jadyn Shaw, Abby Stiles, Calleigh VandeWerken, Wyatt Wickiser, Dylan Young.

Current Enrollment:

Freshman: 165

Sophomore: 180

Junior: 139

Senior: 135

Total Enrollment: 619

Discipline Report:

Inappropriate Behavior/Comments - 2

Vaping - 7

Leaving School - 1

Dress Code Violation - 1

Destruction of School Property - 2

F. SPECIAL POPULATIONS REPORT

Director Krippel reported:

December 1st Child Count Data:

Each year, the Illinois State Board of Education requires districts to submit and verify their special education "child count" numbers on December 1st. This information is very important as these numbers are used as part of the district's evidence-based funding calculation. In other words, this data determines the amount of special education funding we receive from the state. According to this report, the district's number of students receiving special education services has increased by 44 from the 2021-2022 school year to the 2022-2023 school year. However, from 2022-2023 to 2023-2024, the number of students receiving special education services increased by 5. A further breakdown of the district's numbers can be viewed using the link below.

District Name	2021 - 2022 Counts	2022 - 2023 Counts	2023 - 2024 Counts	Difference
Coal City CUSD 1	324	368	373	5

[23-24 Dec 1 Child Count.pdf](#)

Previous Special Education Data:**According to Illinois State Report Cards*

School Year	District Enrollment	Low-Income Rate	Percent Disability	Number of IEPs
2006	2018	15.8	NA	NA
2007	2144	15.1	NA	NA
2008	2149	13	NA	NA
2009	2141	14.5	NA	NA
2010	2134	17.2	NA	NA
2011	2142	21.3	12.3%	263
2012	2081	21.8	11.1%	230
2013	2126	28.5	11.3%	240
2014	2124	30.6	12.5%	265
2015	2127	31.2	12.8%	272
2016	2199	28.7	12.6%	277
2017	2206	29.1	13.8%	304
2018	2230	27	13.6%	303
2019	2185	27.7	14.1%	308
2020	2175	29.1	15.6%	339
2022	2106	27	17.0%	358
Current	2141	34.8	17.7%	381

Current Special Populations Data

<i>Coal City Schools IEP Data</i>					
<i>ECC</i>	<i>ES</i>	<i>IS</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>HS</i>	<i>District</i>
<i>158</i>	<i>52</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>371</i>
<i>-2</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>+1</i>		<i>-5</i>

<i>Coal City Schools 504 Data</i>					
<i>ECC</i>	<i>ES</i>	<i>IS</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>HS</i>	<i>Total</i>

6	8	21	37	62	134
	+1	+3			+4

<i>Coaler Academy Data</i>					
<i>Full Time</i>	<i>Hybrid</i>	<i>Hybrid/ELL</i>	<i>Intervention</i>	<i>Total Students</i>	<i>Pending Referrals</i>
5	5	2	1	13	0

<i>Out of District Placements</i>					
<i>Elim</i>	<i>Morris HS (ELL)</i>	<i>Oswego SD308</i>	<i>High Road</i>	<i>Thompson Instructional</i>	<i>Total Students</i>
1	1	1	6	1	10

<i>Miscellaneous Student Data</i>	
<i>ELL</i>	<i>Homeless</i>
26	12

<i>Preschool for All Grant (PFA)</i>	
<i>Current Students</i>	<i>Open Spots</i>
57	3

<i>Overall Preschool Numbers</i>			
<i>Current Students</i>	<i>IEP Openings</i>	<i>At-Risk Openings</i>	<i>Waitlist</i>
193/210	6	11	17

G. CURRICULUM REPORT

Director Kenney reported:

Department News:

The teachers, under the guidance of their department leaders, are narrowing down the resources for the Social Studies adoption cycle. In the coming month or two, the materials will be available for review by the board before they are purchased in the next fiscal year. World Language will be the next resource adoption cycle for the 2024-2025 school year.

Professional Development:

We began the process of planning professional development for the 2024-2025 school year with brainstorming sessions. The ECC brainstorming sessions were completed on Monday,

March 18th from 7:10-7:55 am and 2:45-3:30 pm. Teachers were given the opportunity to meet with Mrs. Kenney and Mrs. Davidson to brainstorm ideas for the upcoming school year. It was great to see so many teachers expressing what they want to learn for the upcoming school year. Once all the buildings have completed their brainstorming sessions, Mrs. Kenney will lead a PD Committee to create a long-term plan for staff development.

We will continue with the following sessions:

ES - Wednesday, April 3rd

Session 1 - 7:25-8:10 am

Session 2 - 3:00-3:45 pm

IS - Thursday, April 11th

Session 1 - 7:15-8:00 am

Session 2 - 2:50-3:55 pm

MS - Thursday, April 4th

Session 1 - 7:45-8:30 am

Session 2 - 3:20-4:05 pm

HS - Monday, April 8th

Session 1 - 7:35-8:20 am

Session 2 - 3:10-3:55 pm

Standardized Testing/Accountability:

Testing is underway on the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) and the ISA (Illinois Science Assessment) in our schools. The Elementary School and Intermediate School kicked off testing on March 18th. The High School completed their ISA testing the week of March 11th. We should expect to see tentative results in June for the IAR and SAT.

Testing will continue after spring break and will conclude by the end of April.

High School-

ISA - week of March 11

SAT - April 17

Middle School-

IAR - April 9, 11, 12

ISA - March 21

Intermediate School-

IAR - March 18- March 20

ISA - April 23 - April 25

Elementary School-

IAR - March 18 - March 22

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Spencer reported:

1. Monthly student enrollment figures

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 25 – April 1 – Spring Break – No School

April 2 – Classes Resume

April 3 – GAVC Health Occupation/CMA/EKG pinning ceremony @ 5:00 p.m.

April 9 – ES Spring Pictures

April 9 – 1st Grade Concert @ 6:30 p.m.

April 10 – Early Dismissal

April 10 – Kindergarten Round-up @ the Early Childhood Center

April 10 – IS Spring Pictures

April 11 – 4th Grade Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

April 14 – Jazz Night

April 16 – Music Honor Society Induction @ 7:00 p.m.

April 17 – Middle School Track Pictures

April 18 – 2nd Grade Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

April 23 – 3rd Grade Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

April 24 – Board Study Session of the Whole @ 6:00 pm.

April 25 – 5th Grade Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

April 27 - Prom

April 30 – Middle School Choral Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

I. GRUNDY AREA VOCATIONAL CENTER REPORT

Mr. Engelhardt reported:

1. Assistant Director Gierke provided the Board of Control an update on enrollment for Advanced Welding and Building Trades.
2. Assistant Director Gierke informed the Board of Control of the 17 GAVC SkillsUSA qualifiers.
3. Assistant Director Gierke informed the Board of Control about the upcoming parent meetings for Cosmetology and Health Occupations.
4. Assistant Director Gierke informed the Board of Control that the GAVC scholarship window is closed and the recipients will be announced on May 1, 2024.
5. Director Copes updated the Board of Control on the April calendar.
6. Director Copes provided the Board of Control an update on the Building Trades Project House 27.
7. Director Copes and Mrs. Gierke discussed the current enrollment and master schedule.
8. Director Copes provided the Board of Control an update on the Summer Internship program.
9. Director Copes updated the board regarding the new evidence-based funding formula for CTE.
10. Director Copes discussed the need to replace maintenance vehicles for GAVC.
11. Approved the closed session minutes from February 2023 through May 2023 to Open Session for Public Inspection.

12. Approved the destruction of closed session audio recordings from February 2022 to March 2022.
13. Approved the Master Schedule for FY25.
14. Approved the re-employment of instructional faculty as presented.

J. ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT

Athletic Director Hutchings reported:

Calendar of Events:

Feb 26 - Spring Sports practice started (Baseball, Softball, Track & Field, Boys Tennis, Girls Soccer)

March 11 – Middle School Track and Field

Middle School Athletics:

7th Grade volleyball IESA 4A Runner-up

Wrestling - IESA State Qualifiers

5th place

Phoenix Senodenos

Max Christensen

Ryker Long

Gabrielle Hamilton

Ryder Gill

Brantley Brooks

6th place

Jason Piatak

Gavin Roudis

Registered for IESA Athletics for the 2024-25 School year. Invoice submitted for payment (\$1275.00)

IHSA renewal form included to be signed by the Board President

Arrangements have been made with Reed-Custer and Wilmington for use of their track and field facilities by the track program.

High School Spring Sports Numbers

Baseball	Girls Soccer	Girls Track	Boys Track	Softball	Boys Tennis
12 Freshmen	10 Freshmen	9 Freshmen	13 Freshmen	7 Freshmen	9 Freshmen
9 Soph.	5 Soph.	10 Soph.	14 Soph.	9 Soph.	7 Soph.
5 Juniors	12 Juniors	1 Juniors	3 Juniors	8 Juniors	7 Juniors
11 Seniors	6 Seniors	1 Seniors	5 Seniors	6 Seniors	4 Seniors

Section 5

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

1. In regard to agenda items
2. In general (Limited to 5 minutes per person.)

Section 6

OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION ON FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Superintendent Christopher Spencer will update the Board of Education on the progress of the Facilities Improvement Plan.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ACCEPTING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID FOR CONCESSIONS BUILDING & STORAGE BUILDING, MAINTENANCE BUILDING REMODELS PROJECTS

Sealed bids for the concessions building & storage building at the middle school; high school, and intermediate school maintenance building remodel, and demolition of former district office projects were opened March 21, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. A bid notice was published in the Coal City Courant on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. CSBO Jason Smith will update the Board regarding the results of the bid opening process.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve base bids 1 & 2, with alternates #2, #3, and #4 from RL Sohol, and to reject alternates #1 and #5, for a final project cost of \$2,089,000, as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON PROPOSAL FOR THE DEMOLITION OF FORMER UNIT OFFICE BUILDING

CSBO Jason Smith will update the Board regarding the demolition of the former Unit Office Building.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To accept the proposal from Trotter Enterprises for the demolition of the former Unit Office building, at a total cost of \$34,485.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON FY25 ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP GUIDELINES

At the February 28, Board Study Session meeting, Superintendent Christopher Spencer discussed advertising and sponsorship guidelines for the district. Mr. Spencer will provide the Board with an update from that meeting.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the advertising and sponsorship guidelines as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

E. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON SCOREBOARD PROPOSAL FROM DAKTRONICS

Superintendent Christopher Spencer will discuss the proposal from Daktronics for athletic scoreboards within the district.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the proposal from Daktronics in the amount of \$740,868, for district scoreboards as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON SUPPORT STAFF STARTING SALARY

Superintendent Christopher Spencer and discuss the starting salary for support staff.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the starting support salary, as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

G. DISCUSSION ON FY25 CERTIFIED STAFF OPENINGS

Superintendent Christopher Spencer will provide the Board with an update on certified staff openings for the FY25 school year within the district.

Section 7

NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON HAZARDOUS BUS ROUTE DECLARATION

The State Board of Education requires that school boards annually review the conditions of the hazardous bus areas and certify to the state whether the hazardous conditions remain unchanged. Areas that have been designated as hazardous will remain unchanged for the 2024-2025 school year.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the status of the existing Hazardous Busing Areas as presented and submit the certification to the State Board of Education and Illinois Department of Transportation.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON QUARTERLY DROP OUT REPORT

The Quarterly Drop Out Report for the quarter ending March 13, 2024, has been prepared and is ready for Board approval. The approval of the Quarterly Drop Out Report is a State requirement, which ensures that the School Board is informed of students leaving our school system.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve filing the Quarterly Drop Out Report with the Regional Office of Education for the quarter ending March 13, 2024.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON IHSA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Athletic Director Dan Hutchings is recommending membership renewal with the Illinois High School Association. Board action must be taken to certify that the Board has voted to adopt and abide by the terms and conditions of the association for the 2024 - 2025 school term.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the membership renewal in the Illinois High School Association, and to adopt and abide by the Constitution, By-laws, Terms and Conditions, Administrative Procedures, Guidelines, and Policies of the IHSA.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON BUILDER’S RISK POLICY

CSBO Jason Smith will discuss the option for builder’s risk policy for the capital projects that will take place over the summer.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the builder’s risk policy in the amount of \$9,200, as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

E. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON SUPERINTENDENT EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION

Due to the current candidate shortage in certain employment areas, it has been a challenge for the school district to attract and hire candidates. To secure employment contracts in a timely manner, the Superintendent is requesting the authority to offer such contracts after consultation with the School Board President and Vice President. This authority would sunset on July 2, 2024.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

Due to the current labor shortage in certain employment areas, the Superintendent, following consultation with the Board President and Vice President, is authorized to offer employment contracts for any such shortage positions until July 2, 2024.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON SUMMER CAMP DATES

Superintendent Christopher Spencer will present the Board with the summer camp dates for FY25.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the dates for the FY25 summer camp, as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

H. FIRST READING ON REVISED DISTRICT POLICIES

The following District Policies have been revised and submitted for review.

2:40	Board Member Qualifications
2:60	Board Member Removal from Office
2:140	Communications To and From the Board
2:140-E	Guidance for Board Member Communications, Including Email Use
2:150-AP	Superintendent Committees
2:170-AP	Qualification Based Selection
2:250-E1	Written Request for District Public Records
2:250-E2	Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records
2:260	Uniform Grievance Procedure
2:260-AP1	Guidelines for Investigating Complaints Filed Under Policy 2:260, Uniform Grievance Procedure, and Allegations of Misconduct
2:260-AP2	Nondiscrimination Coordinator and Complaint Manager
2:265	Title IX ~~Sexual Harassment~~ Grievance Procedure
2:265-AP1	Title IX ~~Sexual Harassment~~ Response
2:265-AP2	Formal Title IX ~~Sexual Harassment~~ Complaint Grievance Process
2:265-E	Title IX ~~Sexual Harassment~~ Glossary of Terms
2:270	Discrimination and Harassment on the Basis of Race, Color, and National Origin Prohibited
2:270-AP	Prevention and Response Program for Complaints of Discrimination and Harassment Based on Race, Color, and National Origin
4:20	Fund Balances
4:45-AP1	Insufficient Fund Checks
4:45-E1	Cover Page Documenting the Process to Seek Offset from the Illinois Office of the Comptroller
4:45-E2	Notice of Claim and Intent to Seek Debt Recovery; Challenge; and Response to Challenge
4:55-AP	Controls for the Use of District Credit and Procurement Cards
4:110-AP1	School Bus Post-Accident Checklist
4:110-AP3	School Bus Safety Rules
4:110-E	Emergency Medical Information for Students Having Special Needs or Medical Conditions Who Ride School Buses
4:165	Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors
4:170-AP2, E1	Letter to Parents/Guardians Regarding Student Safety
4:170-AP2, E2	Letter to Parents/Guardians Regarding the Dangers of Underage Drinking
4:170-AP2, E3	Letter to Parents/Guardians About Disruptive Social Media Apps; Dangers
4:170-AP2, E4	Letter to Parents/Guardians About Preventing and Reducing Incidences of Sexting
4:170-AP2, E6	Letter to Parents/Guardians About Safe Firearm Storage
4:170-AP6	Plan for Responding to a Medical Emergency at a Physical Fitness Facility with an AED
4:170-AP6, E2	Notification to Staff and Parents/Guardians of CPR and AED Video
4:170-AP8	Movable Soccer Goal Safety
4:175-AP1, E1	Informing Parents/Guardians About Offender Community Notification Laws

4:190	Targeted School Violence Prevention Program
4:190-AP1	Targeted School Violence Prevention Program
4:190-AP1, E1	Targeted School Violence Prevention Program Resources
4:190-AP2	Threat Assessment Team (TAT)
4:190-AP2, E1	Principles of Threat Assessment
4:190-AP2, E2	Threat Assessment Documentation
4:190-AP2, E3	Threat Assessment Key Areas and Questions; Examples
4:190-AP2, E4	Responding to Types of Threats
4:190-AP2, E5	Threat Assessment Case Management Strategies
4:190-AP2, E6	Targeted School Violence Prevention and Threat Assessment Education
5:10	Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
5:10-AP	Workplace Accommodations for Nursing Mothers
5:20	Workplace Harassment Prohibited
5:90-AP1	Coordination with Children's Advocacy Center
5:100	Staff Development Program
5:120	Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
5:300	Schedules and Employment Year
6:60	Curriculum Content
6:60-AP1	Comprehensive Health Education Program
6:120-AP1	Special Education Procedures Assuring the Implementation of Comprehensive Programming for Children with Disabilities
6:185	Remote Educational Program
7:10	Equal Educational Opportunities
7:10-AP1	Accommodating Transgender, Nonbinary, or Gender Nonconforming Students
7:10-E	Equal Educational Opportunities Within the School Community
7:20	Harassment of Students Prohibited
7:20-AP	Harassment of Students Prohibited
7:180	Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
7:180-AP1	Prevention, Identification, Investigation, and Response to Bullying
7:180-AP1, E1	Resource Guide for Bullying Prevention
7:180-AP, E5	Report Form for Bullying
7:180-AP1, E7	Response to Bullying
7:185	Teen Dating Violence
7:190-E2	Student Handbook Checklist

I. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON IESA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Athletic Director Dan Hutchings is recommending membership renewal with the Illinois Elementary School Association at a cost of \$1,225 for the 2024 - 2025 school year.

A SUGGESTED MOTION:

To approve the membership renewal in the Illinois Elementary School Association for the 24 – 25 school year as presented.

Roll Call.

Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

Section 8

OPEN FOR ITEMS NOT KNOWN AT AGENDA PREPARATION TIME

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

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Section 9

CLOSED SESSION

_____ moved and _____ seconded to go to closed session at _____ p.m. for the purpose of considering information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, and collective bargaining matters.

Roll Call.

Ayes: Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller
Nays:
Motion CARRIED DENIED

WHEN IN CLOSED SESSION

_____ moved and _____ seconded to return to open session at _____ p.m.

Roll Call.

Ayes: Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller
Nays:
Motion: CARRIED DENIED

When the Board returned to open session, President Miller called the regular meeting to order at _____ p.m. with the board members answering roll call present: Dan Engelhardt, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Quint Harmon, Cindy Klein, Steve Rogers, and Ken Miller.

**BOARD STUDY SESSION OF THE WHOLE DATE: APRIL 24, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
In Coal City CUSD #1 Administrative Center Boardroom**

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE: MAY 1, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
In Coal City CUSD #1 Administrative Center Boardroom**

ADJOURNMENT

_____ moved and _____ seconded to adjourn the meeting at _____ p.m. President Miller asked if there was any opposition to the motion, hearing none considers the motion approved.