

**Coal City Community Unit School District #1  
Board of Education Board Study Session of the Whole Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 22, 2023**

**Call to Order**

**Roll Call.**

President Miller called the Study Session meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. in the Coal City Community Unit School District #1 Boardroom. In attendance were Board members Robert Bianchetta, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Chuck Lander, Steve Rogers, and Ken Miller. Also, in attendance were Superintendent Christopher Spencer, CSBO Jason Smith, Director of Special Populations Luke Krippel, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Tammy Elledge, and Board Secretary LaWanda Gagliardo. Board member Quint Harmon was absent, and Board member Shawn Hamilton attended via conference call. President Miller led the Board and others present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Discussion on the Easement Request from Braceville**

CSBO Jason Smith informed the Board of the waste water easement request from Braceville. The Village of Braceville is trying to determine the most cost-effective approach to managing their waste water system, and requested an easement in Diamond on the westside of Berta Rd. This request has only been a verbal one at this time. They will need to submit the details in writing for the district's legal team to review before moving forward. This was informational for the Board at this time until documentation is received. There will be more to come on this request.

**Discussion on the FY23 Facilities Improvement Plan**

Superintendent Christopher Spencer provided the Board of Education with an update on the FY23 Facilities Improvement Plan. Mr. Spencer plans to have another committee meeting to discuss priorities and timelines. Mr. Spencer and Mr. Smith discussed the renovation of the fitness center at the high school, the middle and high school parking lots, and possible remodeling of restrooms at the high school. Mr. Spencer will keep the FY23 Facilities Improvement Plan on the Board books to keep the Board updated in a timely manner.

**Discussion on Renewing the Intergovernmental Agreement between CCCUSD#1 and Reed Custer School District**

At the September 7 Board meeting the Coal City Community Unit School District #1(CCCUSD#1) entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Reed Custer School District, which allows a Coal City high school Math Teacher to teach a math course for Reed Custer. Superintendent Christopher Spencer discussed possibly renewing that Intergovernmental Agreement. The teacher agreed to continue this agreement. If the Board agrees, administration will adjust the teacher's schedule next school. This agreement will be added to the March Board meeting for possible approval.

**Finance Reports**

The bank statements, monthly revenue, expenditure summary reports, check reconciliation report, and cleared check report for January were enclosed for review. Detailed reports were available in the Business Office for review prior to the meeting. The Treasurer's report, investment report, and lunch report for January were also enclosed for review.

**Open**

a) Items not known at agenda preparation time

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Mr. Spencer discussed having the FY24 School Calendar finalized and ready for Board approval at the March Board meeting.

Mr. Spencer discussed that there are 14 weight classes and Coal City has 14 that qualified for State, which is a record for Coal City. Mr. Spencer and the Board are very proud of the students, and the coaching staff. There was a letter received from someone who attended the meet, and they praised Coal City students' behavior.

Coal City had 2 students qualify for State Speech. Mr. Spencer and the Board would like to recognize all the students at the March Board meeting.

b) Sharing Ideas / Information – none.

**Closed Session**

At 6:33 p.m. a motion made by Mr. Lander and seconded by Mrs. Gill to go into closed session for the purpose of considering information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal of specific employees, and collective bargaining matters.

**Roll Call.**

Ayes: Chuck Lander, Mary Gill, Robert Bianchetta, Shawn Hamilton, Steve Rogers, Ken Miller

Nays:

Absent: Quint Harmon

Motion: Carried.

Mr. Rogers moved and Mr. Lander seconded to return to open session at 6:37 p.m.

**Roll Call.**

Ayes: Steve Rogers, Chuck Lander, Robert Bianchetta, Mary Gill, Shawn Hamilton, Ken Miller

Nays:

Absent: Quint Harmon

Motion: Carried.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Lander moved and Mr. Rogers seconded to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. the Board Study Session of the Whole meeting.

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Kenneth P. Miller, President

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Mary Gill, Secretary