

CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479

March 20th, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Crest Unified School District #479 was held at the Crest Board Office, Colony, on Monday, March 20th, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Travis Church.

Roll Call

Board Members Present –

Jason Beckmon, Nathan Beckmon, Seth Black, Travis Church, Kevin Nilges, and Laura Schmidt.

Others – Superintendent Shane Walter, Principal Travis Hermreck and Board Clerk Lynette Prasko.

Approval of Agenda –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to approve the agenda as presented.
Vote: 6-0

Approval of Consent Agenda –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the February 13th regular board meeting, bills in the amount of \$318,443.75, Enrollment Report and Budget Status Ledger report. Vote: 6-0

Information Items

ANW Special Education Minutes –

The minutes of the Feb 8th, 2023 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

Superintendent/Principal Report –

Mr. Walter updated the board on the new A/C/heat mini-split replacement units. On March 31st there will be a CTE Program Open House and Fish Fry/Silent Auction fundraiser. On April 4th the county and local EMS will be presenting a mock DUI and distracted driving simulation and the grades 6-12 Spring Music Concert will be April 10th (not April 4th).

Mr. Hermreck informed the board that the 8th Grade Promotion will be May 5th at 6:00 p.m. and High School Graduation will be May 6th at 10:00 a.m. He is also attempting to schedule more JV Baseball and Softball games but date conflicts with the participating schools is a challenge.

Items of Business

Technology Discussion (Jeremy DuPont) –

Mr. Walter introduced Crest IT Director, Jeremy DuPont to discuss the status of student Chromebooks and technology options. Mr. DuPont presented options to replace outdated Chromebooks with MacBook Air laptops for secondary students.

Preschool Discussion –

Mr. Walter presented the board with some options for expanding preschool to include an opportunity for 3-year-olds to attend. The additional costs and enrollment requirements were discussed with the board.

Curriculum Discussion –

Mr. Walter discussed some new curriculum being reviewed for elementary grades.

KESA –

Mr. Walter updated the board about the positive progress toward completing KESA accreditation. He reviewed the February 23rd KESA meeting and plans to improve absenteeism and assessment scores.

Lexia Renewal

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to approve the quote from Lexia Learning Systems LLC for Lexia subscription one-year renewal for the amount not to exceed \$8,360.00
Vote: 6-0

Board Policy Review –

Mr. Walter expressed to the board to continue review of new Board Policy Book provided on the USB drive and that final approval should occur in July.

Facility Improvements/Building Needs Assessment –

Mr. Walter updated the board about repairs to the school facilities and options for new facilities. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to accept the lowest price bid to replace flooring from the water line break from The Home Store in the amount of \$50,669.00 Vote: 6-0

Resignations –

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to accept the following resignations:

Debbie Wools as Teacher's Aide

Marilyn Thexton as Teacher's Aide

Kyle Huser as Music Teacher

Steve Bubna as Science Teacher

Vote: 6-0

At 8:49 p.m. Mrs. Laura Schmidt exited the meeting.

Negotiations – Executive Session –

It was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to enter into executive session to discuss board/teacher negotiation items pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, the open meeting was to resume in the board room at 9:05 p.m. and Mr. Walter and Mrs. Prasko were invited to attend. Vote: 5-0

At 8:51 p.m. Mrs. Laura Schmidt re-entered the executive session.

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 9:05 p.m.

Personnel – Executive Session –

It was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing district staffing. The reason for the session was the non-elected personnel exemption under KOMA. The meeting was to resume in the board room at 9:22 p.m. Mr. Walter and Mr. Hermreck were invited to attend. Vote: 6-0

At 9:22 p.m., the open meeting resumed in the board room and it was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to extend the personnel executive session until 9:27 p.m. Vote: 6-0
The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 9:27 p.m.

Adjournment –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 p.m.
Vote: 6-0

Board President

Board Clerk

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