

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF CALHOUN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #40
OF CALHOUN AND GREENE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS**

A regular meeting, of the Board of Education in Calhoun Community Unit School District #40, consisting of Calhoun and portions of Greene Counties, Illinois was called to order by Board President Luke Fraley, Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 5:42 p.m. in the Calhoun CUSD #40 District Office.

Upon roll being called the following board members were present: Jackie Baalman, Luke Fraley, Amanda Gress, Janine Hagen, Hannah Nelson, and Nate Sagez. Laura Longnecker was absent.

Others in attendance were: Andrea Lee, LeaAnn Klaas, Cheri Burris, and Christie Lorsbach.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education approves the agenda inclusive of:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Recognition of Visitors, Guests & Public Comments
- V. Consent Items
 - a. Adoption of Consent Agenda
 - b. Previous Board Minutes
 - i. Regular Minutes – April 28, 2021
 - ii. Reorganizational Minutes – April 28, 2021
 - c. Expenditures and Receipts
 - d. Financial Reports
 - e. Activity Accounts Report
 - f. Food Service Report
 - g. Extracurricular Report
- VI. Committee and Administrative Reports
 - a. Committee – Personnel and Negotiations
 - b. Calhoun Elementary School
 - c. Calhoun High School
 - d. District
- VII. Action Items Prior to Executive Session
 - a. Approve Illinois Electric Cooperative Fiber Internet Agreement
 - b. Approve to Move June 22 School Board Meeting to June 28
 - c. Approve 2021-2022 Athletic and Registration Fees
 - d. MissVic Intergovernmental Agreement
 - e. Approve Bid Notice
 - f. Approve to Advertise the Annual Notice of Non-discrimination & Prevailing Wage Statement
- VIII. Executive Session – For the purpose of discussion regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s); legal counsel, collective negotiating matters or deliberations; board vacancies; evidence or testimony presented in a hearing where authorized by law; purchase or lease of real property; sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts; security procedures; student disciplinary cases or any matter involving an individual student; litigation; self-evaluation, practices and procedures, or professional ethics; minutes of meetings lawfully closed; internal control weaknesses, potential fraud risk areas; establishment of reserves, settlement or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the District. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)
- IX. Action Items Following Executive Session

- a. Consider Approving Resignation of
 - i. 7/8 Girls Basketball Coach
 - ii. CJHS Cheer Coach
 - iii. CHS Softball Coach
- b. Consider Approving Hiring of
 - i. PE Teacher
 - ii. Special Education Teacher
 - iii. First Grade Teacher
- x. Other Business
- xI. Communication and Announcements
 - a. 8th Grade Promotion – May 20, 2021
 - b. CHS Graduation – May 21, 2021
 - c. Last Day of School – May 21, 2021
 - d. School Board Meeting – June 28, 2021
- xII. Adjourn

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Hannah Nelson that the Board of Education approves items on the consent agenda which includes:

- xIII. Consent Items
 - a. Adoption of Consent Agenda
 - b. Previous Board Minutes
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 - d. Financial Reports
 - e. Activity Accounts Report
 - f. Food Service Report
 - g. Extracurricular Report

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

Reception of Visitors / Public Comment: N/A

Communications:

Board Committee Reports:

Personnel – Conducted interviews for Special Ed., PE and Elementary positions. More interviews will be held May 26.

Negotiations – Met with Union reps. who shared their interests.

Superintendents Report:

There have been no quarantines since April and no positive COVID cases since March. Gov. Pritzker has lifted the mask mandate to those who are vaccinated. Per CDC report masks must still be worn in school due to low vaccination rate of younger students. The Strategic Planning Committee met on May 17. Mission, Vision Statement and Focus Groups were created. This will be a living document that envisions our goals as a district. A staff cook out and activity day was held on May 14 and it turned out great.

Principals Report:

Christie Lorsbach presented Capturing Kids Hearts program to the board. Board members will create a social contract in June.

Calhoun High School Principal Cheri Burris Report

We have Summer Power Learning Sessions scheduled for July and August this summer in both Math and English with Mrs. Maupin and Mrs. Heberling.

The Senior Trip was a great success with the class attending Top Golf.

We had a “be like Mike” contest on Friday May, 14th to honor Mike Bick before his retirement. Students dressed up like Mike and the winner received a gift certificate to the gas station. Gracie Main was the winner. AP Exams were taken on May 7th and 14th by Chemistry and AP Biology.

CHS Graduation is set for May 21 at 6pm on the Football field. Rain will move the graduation to the Elementary gym with a 6 guest limit per graduate.

Calhoun Elementary School Principal Christie Lorsbach Report

April WOW awards, Warrior of Wonder, were given to nominees based on the character trait of Courtesy. The recipients were: Jack R, Cale S, Janice V, Austin W, Mr. Strauch, Wyatt S, Lane E, Rodney J, Kiera S, Riley L, Tyler S, Grant K, Luke B, Anabel E, Layla J, Hannah K, Carly P, Emma R, Morgan K, Shailynn L, KayDence W, Marissa F, Karleigh M, Hudson R, Lucy B, Addison B, Stella G, Tamara O, Mia K, Claire G, Bella H, Lane E, John D, Axel C, Jackson S, Ross D, Ethan M, Gage K, Selby P, and Ryan B. All winners were given a certificate, candy bar and drink of choice.

The student/staff of the week that were recognized were: April 26-30 Charlie Friedel (3rd grade) and Mrs. Trish Swan, May 3-7 CJ Gerson (1st grade) and Mrs. Amber Follis, May 10-14 Khloe Ennis (3rd grade) and Hannah Klaas (7th grade), Mrs. Emily Theisen and Mrs. Brenda Camerer.

JFL teams won the WIVC Championships!!

CKH – Social Contract - presentation

Family engagement night – update at board meeting

Spring Testing: All finished, test scores should be available between June and August.

Fun Days – each wing has planned fun events for the students this last week of school

Attendance awards will be given the last week of school.

Students who made their AR goals all for quarters received a cook out lunch.

8th graders enjoyed a food truck lunch.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education accepts the Fiber Internet Agreement with Illinois Electric Cooperative as presented.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes

Longnecker – absent

Fraleay – yes

Nelson – yes

Gress – yes

Sagez – yes

Hagen – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves to move the June 22 school board meeting to June 28, 2021.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Nate Sagez that the Board of Education approves the athletic and registration fees as presented for the 2021-2022 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Amanda Gress, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education resolves to extend the term of the MissVIC Employee Benefits Intergovernmental Cooperative for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Hannah Nelson that the Board of Education approves to appoint Andrea Lee as the voting member and Meghan Klunk as the alternate to the Mississippi Valley Intergovernmental Cooperative Board of Directors beginning July 1, 2021 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Nate Sagez, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education approves to advertise and receive bids for: 2007 White Dodge Caravan, 105,250 miles and sets the minimum bids at \$500.00, to be advertised “as is” and allows Superintendent Andrea Lee to accept bids received.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes

Hagen – yes
Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education approves to advertise the annual notice of Non-discrimination and the prevailing wage statement, as available from the State of Illinois (through the ROE if available) for the 2021-2022 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

Executive Session:

A motion was made at 6:47 p.m. by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Hannah Nelson that the Board of Education enters into executive session.

For the purpose of discussion regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s); legal counsel, collective negotiating matters or deliberations; board vacancies; evidence or testimony presented in a hearing where authorized by law; purchase or lease of real property; sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts; security procedures; student disciplinary cases or any matter involving an individual student; litigation; self-evaluation, practices and procedures, or professional ethics; minutes of meetings lawfully closed; internal control weaknesses, potential fraud risk areas; establishment of reserves, settlement or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the District. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made at 7:50 p.m. by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education returns to Open Session to continue meeting and take any appropriate action.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mark Hillen as the 7/8 Girls Basketball Coach.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes

Hagen – yes
Motion carries.

A motion was made by Amanda Gress, seconded by Hannah Nelson that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Tonya Kasinger as CJHS Cheer Coach.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Duane Sievers as the CHS Softball Coach.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Kristin Reinhardt as a Special Education Teacher.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Nate Sagez, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Amanda Johnson as CHS Cheer Coach.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves to hire Adam Hickson as the PE Teacher for the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Amanda Gress, seconded by Nate Sagez that the Board of Education approves to hire Michelle Wyatt as the Special Education Teacher for the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Janine Hagen, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education approves to hire Macy Margherio as the First Grade Teacher for the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves to hire Bethany Owens as an Elementary School Teacher.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

Informational Items:

- a. 8th Grade Promotion – May 20, 2021
- b. CHS Graduation – May 21, 2021
- c. Last Day of School – May 21, 2021
- d. School Board Meeting – June 28, 2021

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Nate Sagez that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – absent
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education