

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

A reorganizational 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, April 19, 2022 at 5:33 p.m. in the Calhoun CUSD #40 District Office.

Upon roll being called the following board members were present: Jackie Baalman, Amanda Gress, Janine Hagen, Laura Longnecker, Hannah Nelson and Nate Sagez arriving at 5:38 p.m.

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

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

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approve Agenda
  
- V. **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)
  
- VI. **Action Items**
  1. Consider Employment of Coaching and Extracurricular Positions
  2. Set Dates, Times, and Location for Regular Board Meetings
  3. Approval of Depository
  4. Appointment of Recording Secretary
  5. Committee Assignments (Personnel, Negotiations, Finance, Insurance, Consultation)

A. Continued Action Items (if any from executive session)

- I. Adjournment and Continue to Regular Board Meeting

Board polled:

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

Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

A motion was made at 5:34 p.m. by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Amanda Gress 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 – yes
Fraleley – yes	Nelson – yes
Gress – yes	Sagez – absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carries.

A motion was made at 6:00 p.m. by Amanda Gress, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education returns to Open Session to continue meeting and take any appropriate action.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
Fraleley – 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 the employment of the following coaching and extracurricular positions for the 2022-23 school year.

**Athletic Director**

**7/8 Girls Basketball** – Cassidy Klocke

**7/8 Boys Basketball** – Rod Hart

**5/6 Girls Basketball**

**5/6 Boys Basketball**

**CJHS Baseball** – Riley Caselton

**CJHS Volleyball**

**CJHS Cheer** – Kim Klaas

**Vol. CJHS Scholastic Bowl** – Michelle Krysl

**CJHS Softball** – Jeff Kamp

**Vol. CJHS Trap Shooting** – Charles Gilman

**Elem. Tech. Administrator**

**Elem. Concession Stand Coordinator** -  
Jeannette Johnson

**Football** – Aaron Elmore

**(3) Asst. Football** – Casey Longnecker,  
Eric Weber and Dylan Ringhausen

**CHS Boys Basketball**

**Asst. CHS Boys Basketball**

**CHS Girls Basketball** – Mark Hillen

**Asst. CHS Girls Basketball** – Eric Hagen

**CHS Baseball**

**Asst. CHS Baseball**

**CHS Volleyball** – Melissa Zipprich

**Asst. CHS Volleyball** – Ann Gilman

**CHS Track**

**CHS Cheer**

**Vol. CHS Trap Shooting** – Charles Gilman

**FFA** – Heidi Doyle

**CHS Yearbook** – Rachel Maupin

**NHS** – Ann Gilman

**Student Council**

**CHS Scholastic Bowl** – Heather Reed

**CHS Tech Administrator** – Ann Gilman

**(2) Senior Class of '23** –

Madeleine Heberling & Tina Jones

**(2) Junior Class of '24**

**Sophomore Class of '25** – Wanda Deffenbaugh

**Freshman Class of '26**

**Tutoring** – Tina Jones

**Head Cook** – Mandy Sprong

**CHS Concession Stand Coordinator** -  
Jeannette Johnson

**Website Coordinator** – Nathan Bloodworth

**CHS Softball**

**Asst. CHS Softball**

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Nate Sagez, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves the schedule of meetings as follows:

May 17, 2022

June 28, 2022

July 19, 2022

August 16, 2022

September 20, 2022

October 18, 2022

November 15, 2022

December 20, 2022

January 17, 2023

February 21, 2023

March 21, 2023

April 18, 2023 (Reorganizational Meeting 5:30, Budget Hearing, and Regular Meeting Immediately Following)

May 16, 2023

Meetings to be held at the time of 5:30 p.m. in the District Office unless otherwise stated as scheduled.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education approves the Bank of Calhoun as the Calhoun CUSD #40 depository.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education appoints LeaAnn Klaas as the recording secretary.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

The motion to appoint the following members to the following committees was tabled.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Janine Hagen, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education adjourns the reorganizational meeting and continues to regular meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

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, April 19, 2022 at 6:04 p.m. in the Calhoun CUSD #40 District Office.

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

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

A motion was made by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Nate Sagez that the Board of Education approves the agenda inclusive of:

- vii. Call to Order
- viii. Roll Call
- ix. Pledge of Allegiance
- x. Approve Agenda
- xi. Recognition of Visitors, Guests & Public Comments
  - *To preserve sufficient time for the Board to conduct its business, it is our public policy that each individual may speak for a maximum of 5 minutes unless prior arrangements have been made to speak longer.*
    - a. Kim Klaas – JFL Cheer Program
    - b. Take a walkthrough of the Press box during the meeting.
    - c. GRP
- xii. Consent Items
  - a. Adoption of Consent Agenda
  - b. Previous Board Minutes
    - i. Regular Meeting – March 22, 2022
  - c. Expenditures and Receipts
  - d. Financial Reports
  - e. Activity Accounts Report
  - f. Food Service Report
  - g. Transportation Report
  - h. Extracurricular Report
- xiii. Committee and Administrative Reports
  - a. Calhoun Elementary School
  - b. Calhoun High School
  - c. District
- xiv. Action Items Prior to Executive Session

- a. Consider Approval of
  - i. School Treasurer Bond
  - ii. Designation of Superintendent to Build FY23 Budget
  - iii. Authorization to Spend during FY23 Year Prior to Budget Adoption
  - iv. Establish an Activity Fund Account for Warrior Fan Club at CJHS

xv. **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)

xvi. **Action Items Following Executive Session**

- a. Consider Approving Hiring of
  - i. Director of District Services
  - ii. Physical Education Teacher
  - iii. Physical Education/Athletic Director
  
- b. Consider Approving the Resignation of
  - i. Middle School ELA Teacher
  - ii. High School Mathematics Teacher
  - iii. 5/6 Boys Basketball Coach
  - iv. CHS Girls Basketball Asst. Coach
  
- c. Consider Posting
  - i. CHS Boys Basketball Coach
  
- d. Consider Approving
  - i. Scope Change #3 from GRP
  
- e. Personnel

xvii. **Other Business**

xviii. **Communication and Announcements**

- a. April 24 – Spring Band Concert
- b. April 26 – CTE Night at CHS
- c. April 30 – Prom
- d. May 1 – FFA Banquet
- e. May 5 – CES/CJHS Family Fun Night
- f. May 10 - Senior Banquet
- g. May 13 – CHS Farm Day
- h. May 17 – School Board Meeting
- i. Correspondence

xix. **Adjourn**

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes

Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

**Reception of Visitors / Public Comment:**

Kim Klaas was unable to attend but sent an email to Mrs. Lee to present. Kim Klaas would like to start up a JFL Cheer Squad. The cheer squad will use the same insurance as the JFL Football team and use Calhoun CUSD 40 grounds for practice.

A walkthrough of the press box did not take place. Cost for the project has increased and will be put on hold.

GRP presented to the board during closed session.

Casey Longnecker was present regarding the CHS Boys Basketball coaching position and program.

**Communications:**

**Board Committee Reports: N/A**

**Superintendents Report:**

An amendment will be made to the budget in June.

Enrollment is at 493.

Andrea Lee and Meghan Klunk attended a MISVIC meeting. The initial change in insurance rates was predicted to be an increase of 1% with no changes in the current plan.

Governor Pritzker signed the budget. There will be an increase in the evidence based formula, transportation and special education.

Between 2019-22 a contractor for ISBE made a coding error in the implementation of the EBF formula.

Calhoun CUSD 40 will be receiving \$50,265 that is owed from the error.

House Bill 1167 has been signed into law. Summary of the law: When E-Learning days are taken, non-certified employees are to be paid, repay doc days due to COVID and any sick days used by fully vaccinated employees used for COVID will be given back.

There has been an increase in Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax. We had budgeted for \$35,556 this year and have received \$78,289.

There will be not be an early registration this year due to switching our systems to Skyward.

Calhoun and Brussels Admin. met regarding the sports co-op. They discussed eligibility, matching up the district's early dismissal day, practice regarding snow days and tutoring.

**Principals Report:**

**Calhoun High School Principal Cheri Burris Report**

Kayden Johnes was nominated as Student of the Month for April for Perseverance.

We have completed SAT testing and ISA testing!

Mr. Borton's Civics students presented their recycling idea to the town board on April 13th. Mr. Hurley asked them some questions in relation to the recycling program idea. Students are to continue some research and then find a place where they could place recycling containers.

The Sophomore class will be hosting a Kids Night this Friday, April 22nd at CHS from 6-8 pm. Cost is \$5 per child, K-4th grade.

CHS will be hosting a CTE Night for incoming Freshmen and their parents on April 26th from 5:30-7pm.

Students will be able to see a variety of activities and tools that they can use in the CTE courses. They will also get to try a few short activities.

The Silver Medallion Awards Banquet and the Jacksonville Rotary Scholar-Athlete Dinners are scheduled for April 28th. Kylee Angel and Shane Macauley are our Silver Medallion recipients while Maddie Buchanan is our Scholar-Athlete for the Jacksonville Rotary.

Prom is April 30th at Mt. Hope with Walk ins scheduled at 6pm at the elementary school.

The FFA banquet is scheduled for May 1st.

I would like to set the Graduation date for May 21st at 6pm. We will have it in the Calhoun Elementary Gymnasium.

CHS will be hosting both the softball and Baseball regional championships on May 21st as well.

### **Calhoun Elementary School Principal Christie Lorschach Report**

The March WOW character trait was Courage, Step Up. The WOW awards were awarded 2 weeks ago. There were 9 recipients for students/staff.

We have started doing Staff High Fives: Students fill out a slip to recognize what their teacher/staff member in the building does well. We share over the announcements on Friday.

The scholastic bowl team will host regionals at home on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

IAR state testing is almost finished, make up tests are being done this week and next week for those students who missed a testing session.

The family night committee has been working hard to host “Family Fun Night” on May 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30. Mark your calendars!

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade meal has been planned with “Pig on a Wing” food truck coming to CJHS on Friday, May 13. Please come join us if you are available.

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, the K-6 grades will be taking part in an Earth Day field trip to McCauley’s Heritage Project. This trip was made possible by a grant through the Health Department.

CHS Farm Day will be held on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Doyle is working hard.

CTE night @ CHS for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students/families April 26 (5:30pm – 7pm)

Warrior Fan Club informational notes have gone home with students and shared on the FB page.

Field trips will be taking place for the majority of students over the next 3 weeks.

PTO has agreed to help host end-of-the-year “fun days” for the wings.

The aluminum can drive is being held until April 22<sup>nd</sup>, please contact anyone you know who would be willing to donate cans. If they need them picked up, I would be happy to arrange it. The goal is \$4,000.

End of the year testing, for progress monitoring, will be conducted the first two weeks in May using the STAR/NWEA Map.

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

- I. Consent Items
  - a. Adoption of Consent Agenda
  - b. Previous Board Minutes
    - i. Regular Meeting – March 22, 2022
  - c. Expenditures and Receipts
  - d. Financial Reports
  - e. Activity Accounts Report
  - f. Food Service Report
  - g. Transportation Report
  - h. Extracurricular Report

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves the School Treasurer Bond as presented.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
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 the designation of Superintendent to build FY23 Budget.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
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 the authorization to spend during FY23 year prior to budget adoption.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education approves to establish an activity fund account for Warrior Fan Club at CJHS.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

### **Executive Session:**

A motion was made at 7:00 p.m. by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Nate Sagez 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 – yes
Fraley – yes	Nelson – yes



Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made at 8:47 p.m. by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education returns to Open Session to continue meeting and take any appropriate action.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes  
Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes  
Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Amanda Gress, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves to hire Lance Sibley as the Director of District Services for the 2022-23 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes  
Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes  
Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Nate Sagez that the Board of Education approves to hire Ben Bayless as the Physical Education Teacher for the 2022-23 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes  
Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes  
Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Jackie Baalman, seconded by Amanda Gress that the Board of Education approves to hire Brian Lee as the Physical Education/Athletic Director for the 2022-23 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes  
Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes  
Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Hannah Nelson, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Heather Gilman as a Middle School ELA Teacher at the end of the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes  
Fraley – yes  
Gress – yes  
Hagen – yes

Longnecker – yes  
Nelson – yes  
Sagez – yes

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Nate Sagez, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Eric Hagen as a High School Mathematics Teacher at the end of the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
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 Lance Titus as the 5/6 Boys Basketball Coach

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
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 accepts the resignation of Sean Nelson as the Assistant CHS Girls Basketball Coach.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
Fraley – yes	Nelson – abstain
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 Trisha Swan as a Cook at the end of the 2021-22 school year.

Board polled:

Baalman – yes	Longnecker – yes
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 post all vacant teaching and stipend positions.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Amanda Gress, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education approves Scope Change #3 from GRP as presented.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

**Informational Items:**

- a. April 24 – Spring Band Concert
- b. April 26 – CTE Night at CHS
- c. April 30 – Prom
- d. May 1 – FFA Banquet
- e. May 5 – CES/CJHS Family Fun Night
- f. May 10 - Senior Banquet
- g. May 13 – CHS Farm Day
- h. May 17 – School Board Meeting
- i. Correspondence

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Nate Sagez, seconded by Jackie Baalman that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Board polled:

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

Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education