

**COLUMBIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 13, 2024
COLUMBIA CENTRAL Jr/Sr HIGH SCHOOL
COMMUNITY ROOM
APPROVED MINUTES**

Members Present: Wahr, Downey, Steele, Schiel, Bamm, and Buter

Members Absent: Knapp

Admin. Present: Klink, Kubiak, Timmerman, Cushman, and Jackson

Admin. Absent: O'Neil

Vice President Wahr called the Regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge to the flag was recited.

Motion by Schiel, support by Bamm to adopt the meeting agenda. Member Wahr requested Action Item 28 be moved under Other Items from Board. Ayes All. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Bamm, support by Downey to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Member Buter requested that New Hires be removed from the consent agenda and be on their own agenda. Ayes All. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comment: Given

Administrators Reports: Given

Committee Reports: Facilities & Finance

Reports from Superintendent:

Report #23: Motion by Schiel, support by Bamm, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the bid to have the high school field house gymnasium floor refinished for \$12,538.72 with FCC (Floor Care Concepts). Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #25: Motion by Schiel, support by Steele, that the Columbia School District Board of Education adopt a Resolution of Appreciation for 2023/2024 Columbia School District Board of Education Student Representatives, Savannah Cushman and Austin Luppó and wish them the very best as they graduate from Columbia Central High School and move forward with their educational plans. Ayes All. Schiel, Bamm, Steele, Wahr, Buter, Downey. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #26: Motion by Bamm, support by Downey, that the Columbia School District Board of Education has received and reviewed the Jackson County Intermediate School District's 2024-2025 FY Proposed Budget in accordance with Section 624 of the Revised School Code as amended, and by the adoption of this resolution approves of the proposed budget that is set forth on Exhibit. The Columbia School District shall forward the resolution to JCISD on or before June 1, 2024. Ayes All. Wahr, Steele, Buter, Bamm, Downey, Schiel. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #27: Motion by Buter, support by Downey, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the phase one technology purchases totaling \$123,734.88. These purchases will be paid for with Sinking Fund monies. Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #28: Motion by Wahr, support by Steele following deliberations from the student expulsion reinstatement hearing that “Student B” be conditionally reinstated effective August 21, 2024. Ayes All. Bamm, Steele, Wahr, Downey, Schiel, Buter. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #29: Motion by Schiel, support by Downey, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the hiring of Rich Okoniewski as the Columbia Central Jr/Sr High School Principal, compensation \$106,000 annually with forty-five sick days and two personal days that do not accumulate or hold monetary value. Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #30: Motion by Steele, support by Bamm, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the hiring of Samantha Hubbard as the Columbia Upper Elementary School Secretary, compensation \$33,000 annually with forty-five sick days and two personal days that do not accumulate or hold monetary value. Ayes 4, Nays 2. Motion Carried 4-2.

Report #31: Motion by Schiel, support by Steele, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the hiring of Ken Gibbs as a Seasonal Grounds worker, compensation \$20.00 hourly, which is consistent with his experience. Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Report #32: Motion by Schiel, support by Downey, that the Columbia School District Board of Education approve the hiring of Ken Gibbs as a Seasonal Grounds worker, compensation \$20.00 hourly, which is consistent with his experience. Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Reports for Information: N/A

Recognition of Visitors/Public Comment: Given

Other items from Administration: Bullying Initiative, 1:1 Devices, Change Date for July Board Meeting, Environmental Study

Other Items from the Board: Motion by Schiel, support by Steele to move into closed session for student reinstatement hearing at 8:33 pm. Ayes All. Motion Carried 6-0.

Vice President Wahr motioned to move back into open session 9:21 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

- Lindsey Schiel – Board Secretary