

**CELINA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025
HIGH SCHOOL LECTURE HALL
6:00 p.m.**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education, in public, for the purpose of conducting the School District's business, and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

The Celina City Board of Education met in regular session on February 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Lecture Hall. President Adam Schleucher called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Clouse, Mr. Schleucher and Mrs. Sommer answered the roll call. Mr. Huber and Mr. Huelsman were absent.

- 25-17** On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer, the Board added Resolution #3 with Attachment VIII in the Treasurer's Report section and set the remainder of the agenda as presented.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

REPORTS

1. Cheri Hall/Tressie Sigmond – CEA Co-Presidents -- absent
2. Joni Minnich – OAPSE President -- absent
3. Facilities -- Phil Metz addressed a question that came from the Elementary open house which regarded signage in the new building. There will be a review of the signage, such as directional and safety type signs in the Elementary building to ensure the quantity is sufficient. The old CES building demo is in progress and will be completed soon, maybe two more weeks and it will be all cleaned up. At the 7-12 building site, the crew continues to work on steel and underground plumbing.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Theresa Howick – Mrs. Howick was questioning the size of the new PK-6 building thinking there were an additional eight rooms added. Mr. Metz said the new building plus the renovated CIS space was designed to accommodate the ADM of the PK-6 classes. Mrs. Howick attended the open house at the new Elementary building and wondered why teachers were not in attendance. Superintendent Gessler stated the teachers' union contract did not require them to attend, but those that did attend were very much appreciated. Mrs. Howick also made the comment that the district collected \$16.5 million in 2021, \$16.7 million in 2022 and then \$20.2 in 2023 in property taxes, which is a lot of money, and we seem to be spending more than we should be. She also stated 76% of her property taxes go to the school. Where will the building maintenance personnel that are located under the stadium be housed? Mr. Metz said it hasn't been decided yet.

Tim Homan - Mr. Homan voiced his concern regarding the survey. Some of the questions he expressed concern about included questions 5, 6, 14 and 15. He said question #6 did not include atmosphere as a choice and that is exactly why he is doing this. You would have to write it in and that is the #1 thing he is fighting for. Additionally, there was no mention of the fieldhouse in the survey. It's just a generic survey. He asked if the results were going to be made public, and the response was yes. Mr. Homan stated that he hoped the board members really have an open mind. Lastly, he stated he thought the survey is a starting point.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mrs. Michelle Mawer

A. Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Michelle Mawer

1. Approve the minutes of the January 13, 2025 organizational and regular meetings and January 30, 2025 special meeting.
2. Approve the January 2025 Cash Summary Report showing revenues of \$8,817,774.08 and expenditures of \$6,169,209.10.
3. Approve the Bank Reconciliation Report for January 2025. The balance as of January 31, 2025, is \$77,574,839.81 of which \$57,212,143.93 is for the building project.
4. Approve the checks written for January 2025 of \$5,962,391.59.
5. Approve the amendments to the FY25 Permanent Appropriations as presented.
6. Accept the following donations:
 - \$5,000 from Mercer County Civic Foundation – Celina Eagles to Celina High School Spirit Squad's Toy Drive
 - \$3,585 from Ohio Clerk of Courts Association to Celina High School Spirit Squad's Toy Drive
7. Approve the following "then and now certificate." It is hereby certified that both at the time of the making of this order and at the date of the execution of this certificate the amount required to pay this order has been appropriated for the purpose of the order and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of the fund, free from any previous encumbrance. I recommend that the following invoice \$3,000 and over be authorized for payment by the Celina City Board of Education:

Peterson Construction PAY-0025 Dated 12/30/2024 \$392,516.52

Resolutions

1. Approve the Change Order Request #837-012 for alternates #4 & #13 and Change Order Request #837-015 for alternates #8 & #9 pertaining to the 7-12 building project as presented:

	DESCRIPTION	NOT TO EXCEED
* *	Alternate #4 – Preferred Volleyball Standard Manufacturer	\$21,677.36
	Alternate #13 – Video Display in Varsity Gym	\$67,896.58
	Alternate #8 – Additional Stage Lineset Rigging	\$9,290.30
	Alternate #9 – Additional Loose Performance Lighting Fixtures	\$54,761.13

* Boosters Athletic donation

2. Authorize Phil Metz to approve OFCC project expenditures up to \$75,000 to align with OFCC approved authorization limits.
3. Approve the LFI MOU Summary as presented that includes the approved alternates for the 7-12 building.

25-18

On a motion by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Clouse to approve the Treasurer's Report.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye, Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mrs. Brooke Gessler

A. Personnel

- 25-19** On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer to approve the presented personnel items, pending proper certification and paperwork.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

B. Stipend Payments

- 25-20** On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer to approve a stipend payment of \$300 to Kathryn Dobmeyer and \$200 to David VanTilburg for being the accompanists at Solo and Ensemble Contest. The stipend is to be paid from the Senior High Band Student Activity Fund (200-9212).

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

C. Other Business

- 25-21** On a motion by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Clouse to authorize Celina City Schools 2025-2026 membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, to approve an overnight field trip for FBLA to attend State Conference in Newark, Ohio on February 27-28, 2025, and to approve a contract agreement with Allerton Hill Communications at the agreed upon monthly fee of \$5,000/month for a period of 12 months.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

D. Policy

- 25-22** On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer to adopt Revised Special Education Policy 2460 to align with current Special Education Model Policies and Procedures, per attached.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

E. Administrative Salary Schedule

- 25-23** On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer to adopt salary schedule and benefits package for the following administrative positions: Food Service Coordinator, Business Operations Manager.

Food Service Coordinator, 205 Day Contract, Salary Range \$45,000-\$65,000
Business Operations Manager, 260 Day Contract, Salary Range \$95,000-\$120,000

And to approve Revised Administrative Salary Schedule 2024-2027 to remove Food Service Coordinator and Business Manager from Part II – Responsibility Factors.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

F. Head Start Report

25-24 On a motion by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Clouse to approve Head Start report, per attached.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

G. Tri Star

25-25 On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer to approve Articulation Agreement between University of Northwestern Ohio and Tri Star, per attached.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

EXECUTIVE SESSION – O.R.C. §121.22(G)

25-26 On a motion by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Clouse, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of the quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

To consider one or more, as applicable, of the **check marked** items with respect to a public employee or official:

1. ☐ Appointment.
2. ☒ Employment.
3. ☐ Dismissal.
4. ☐ Discipline.
5. ☐ Promotion.
6. ☐ Demotion.
7. ☒ Compensation.
8. ☐ Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Celina City School District Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on item(s) listed above.

And the roll being called on its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye Approved

Thereupon, the President declared the resolution adopted.

At 6:43 p.m., the Board went into executive session.

The President declared the meeting back into regular session at 7:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

25-27 With no other business, a motion was made by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Clouse, to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Aye, Mr. Huber: Absent, Mr. Huelsman: Absent, Mr. Schleucher: Aye,
Mrs. Sommer: Aye. Approved

Board President

Treasurer