## CELINA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 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 special session on March 25, 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. Huber, Mr. Huelsman, Mr. Schleucher and Mrs. Sommer answered the roll call.

On a motion by Mr. Clouse, seconded by Mrs. Sommer, the Board amended the motion from "button-up the Field House at an estimated cost of up to \$1.7 million" to "demolish the Field House as a part of the current master plan" and then set the agenda.

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

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Scott Miller: Mr. Miller stated he would like to see the school buildings finished then any remaining money should go to the arts and athletics. All the remining funds should not be allocated to sports only. There seems to be agreement to create a capital plans committee to privately raise funds for future endeavors, and there has been a small group that has started to meet. I believe we can find a common ground, come together and move forward.

<u>Theresa Howick</u>: Mrs. Howick asked the question who will make the decision whether or not the fieldhouse will be used to play sports or basketball? Superintendent Gessler stated it will be an internal decision, meaning the administration will make the decision with input from the board.

<u>Bill Sell</u>: Mr. Sell stated the court in the fieldhouse is too short and is dangerous for the players. He spoke to a friend who said he could mention his name and played in the fieldhouse. My friend, Curt Shellabarger, said it is time to move on. Mr. Sell feels we are going to have a new competition gym, and it is time to move on and use the new gym.

<u>Tim Homan</u>: Mr. Homan stated he is set on keeping the fieldhouse. It is such a unique place. I've done a lot of research, and I do not believe the school would need to put \$1.7M into the fieldhouse. I really believe it could cost less than that. He wished the board good luck.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

On a motion by Mr. Huelsman, seconded by Mr. Clouse to demolish the Field House as a part of the current master plan.

VOTE: Mr. Clouse: Nay, Mr. Huber: Nay, Mr. Huelsman: Aye, Mr. Schleucher: Nay, Mrs. Sommer: Nay. Rejected

25-37	ADJOURNMENT With no other business, a motion was made by Mrs. Sommer, seconded by Mr. Huber, to adjourn with all members responding with "aye". Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

**Board President** 

Treasurer