

The Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District in the County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to the laws and rules of said Board at the City of Cedar Falls City Hall, 220 Clay Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the President and the roll being called there were present Lowell Stutzman in the chair, and the following named Directors: Nate Gruber, R.J. Meyer, Jeff Orvis, Jenny Stipe, and Bett Peterson. Others in attendance were: Dr. Andrew Pattee, Superintendent, Amber Youngblut, Executive Director of Human Resources, Denelle Gonnerman, Chief Financial Officer, and Janelle Darst, Director of Communications and Community Relations. Others in attendance: Linda May Fitzgerald, Jason Lang, Cathrine Crow, and James McCullagh

Item No. 1 – Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items:

Director Peterson moved and Director Meyer seconded the motion that the Board approves the following consent agenda items:

1. The agenda of the February 24, 2025 Board of Education
2. Approval of the February 10, 2025 Board of Education minutes
3. Approval of the bills as presented for payment as reviewed by Director Stutzman
4. Approval of Open Enrollment Report

**Open Enrollment**  
**February 24, 2025**  
**2024-25 School Year**

<p>Ky’ri Allen Evans            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>6<sup>th</sup> Grade            Waterloo            Cedar Falls            2024-2025 – C</p>
<p>Ky’Rel Anthani Evans            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>5<sup>th</sup> Grade            Waterloo            Cedar Falls            2024-2025 – C</p>
<p>Justuce Dakota Baldwin-Gray            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>6<sup>th</sup> Grade            Cedar Falls            Clayton Ridge – IA Virtual Academy            2024-2025</p>
<p>Patience Gail Baldwin-Wilson            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade            Cedar Falls            Clayton Ridge – IA Virtual Academy            2024-2025</p>
<p>Ayden Shane Broten            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>6<sup>th</sup> Grade            Cedar Falls            Dike-New Hartford            2024-2025 – C</p>
<p>Oscar Brian Carr            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>5<sup>th</sup> Grade            Cedar Falls            Clayton Ridge – IA Virtual Academy            2024-2025</p>
<p>Scarlett Knox            Current Resident District:            District Requested:            Effective Date:</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade            Cedar Falls            Clayton Ridge – IA Virtual Academy            2024-2025</p>

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Gruber, Stipe, Meyer, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 2 – Public Comment

No comments.

Item No. 3 – Appointment of Board Member

President Stutzman reviewed the process for the replacement of Megan Witt open directors' seat on the Board of Education. President Stutzman reported there were no petitions requiring an election and has recommended previous board member Joyce Coil for the open position until the next regular or special election. Director Meyer moved and Director Gruber seconded the motion that the Cedar Falls Community School District Board of Education per Iowa Code 279.6 appoint Joyce Coil to fill the open directors' seat of Megan Witt until the next special or regular election. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Gruber, Meyer, Stipe, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Those voting "no" none. Motion carried. Mrs. Gonnerman then administered the oath of office upon Mrs. Coil for the office of Director of the Cedar Falls Schools Board of Education. The oath was answered in the affirmative by Mrs. Coil.

Item No. 4 – Communications

Student Board Liaison Natalie Schmadeke reported on the following:

- Petals for Purpose
- Bake Sale fundraiser for Dance Marathon
- Blood Drive
- Read across America
- Appreciation Breakfast planning

Janelle Darst reported on the following District news activities:

- State Swimming
- Congratulations to DECA students
- Iowa Science Bowl
- Math Counts
- State Men's Wrestling
- Waterloo Warriors Hockey Team
- Men's Bowling
- CFHS Band Cookie Concert
- State Girls and Boys Basketball
- Rocket Club
- SpongeBob Musical

Item No. 5 – Set Public Hearing for 2025-2026 School Year Calendar

Dr. Pattee reviewed the proposed 2025-2026 school year calendar. The first day of school, allowed by Iowa Code, is scheduled for August 25, 2025. There are no snow or make-up days scheduled within the calendar. All make-up days will be added on to the end of the year. Director Gruber moved and Director Orvis seconded the motion the Cedar Falls Community School Board approve March 10, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at the Cedar Falls City Hall at 220 Clay Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa as the date and time to hold a public hearing for the 2025-2026 school year calendar. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Gruber, Coil, Stipe, Meyer, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 6 – Approval of Final Acceptance & Completion for New High School Bid Packages 14-1 and 22-1

Director Orvis moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion that the Cedar Falls Community School District Board of Education accept, as complete, the following bid packages for the construction of the new high school, 2701 W 27<sup>th</sup> St. for the following contractors and bid packages: 14-1 and 22-1. All claims for materials furnished, labor performed and/or services provided for these contracts must be filed per Iowa Code. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Gruber, Coil, Meyer, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Director Stipe abstained. Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 7 – Approval of Final Acceptance & Completion for Natatorium Phase I Bid Packages 22-1P and 26-1P

Director Peterson moved and Director Meyer seconded the motion that the Cedar Falls Community School District Board of Education accept, as complete, the following bid packages for the construction of the Natatorium, 2701 W 27<sup>th</sup> St. for the following contractors and bid packages: 22-1P and 26-1P. All claims for materials furnished, labor performed and/or services provided for these contracts must be filed per Iowa Code. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Gruber, Coil, Meyer, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Director Stipe abstained. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 8 – Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Pattee reported on the following:

- March 10, 2025 next Board meeting
- April 14, 2025 Board meeting – Budget Hearing
- Legislation is in full swing with minimal movement

Item No. 9 – Questions, Comments, and Concerns from Board Members

Director Orvis reported the Advocacy for Education will be holding a Legislative forum at the Van Meter Education Center on March 7, 2025 at 4:30p.m.

Item No. 10 – Adjournment

Director Meyer moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to adjourn. Directors voting in favor of the motion, Gruber, Coil, Stipe Meyer, Orvis, Peterson, and Stutzman. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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Secretary

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President