**Creston Community School District**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**October 18, 2021 -- Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

**Boardroom, 801 N. Elm, Creston, IA**

**AGENDA**

***The vision of the Creston Community School District is to provide the foundation for students***

***to become lifelong learners and positive, confident and compassionate citizens.***

In accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.4(1)(b) the school board shall meet and conduct the regular board meeting electronically when it is impossible or impractical. Please call this toll free number 1-312-626-6799 to access the board meeting to participate in the public hearing. Please click on this [link](https://is.gd/vmnZsQ) or visit this address <https://is.gd/vmnZsQ>to access the board meeting.

1. **Due to limited space in the boardroom, guests are asked to attend remotely to help mitigate the spread of COVID and comply with social distancing. Remote access information is provided above.**
2. **To help facilitate Public Forum, participants must contact the Board Secretary by noon the day of the board meeting.** 
   1. **Participants shall provide their name and address**
   2. **Participants shall indicate the topic of they wish to address**
   3. **Participants are asked to limit their time to three minutes**
   4. **The practice of the district is for board members to listen to participants and direct administration to follow up with the participant(s)**
3. **Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. If you have any questions, please contact Board Secretary Billie Jo Greene at 641-782-7028** [**bgreene@crestonschools.org**](mailto:bgreene@crestonschools.org)

Meeting number (access code): 874 4594 6574

Meeting Password: Creston

​Join by phone:

1-312-626-6799

**Creston CSD Board meeting will be recorded.**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The president will ask the members and audience to face the flag for the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Call to Order. Roll Call by President Zumbach at 6:00 p.m.**

The President will call the meeting to order using the gavel if necessary. The President will request those with communication devices to either turn them off or place them on silent mode. This may be a good time to introduce any special guests.

A binder labeled Public Copy of Board Materials and containing board meeting materials is available for public review at the table at the side of the room.

Meeting agendas are available for the public at the table at the side of the room.

Meeting agendas, materials and minutes are also available on the district web page.

\_\_\_ Terry Freeman X Dr. Brad James X Sharon Snodgrass X Don Gee

X Galen Zumbach \_\_\_ Callie Anderson \_\_\_ Brad Baker \_\_\_ Scott Driskell

X Julie Plant X Billie Jo Greene X Deron Stender X Bill Messerole

1. **Approval of Agenda**

**Motion by: Gee Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

1. **Public Forum**

The President will ask the audience if they have any comments on the items on the agenda. This gives the public the opportunity to comment on agenda items prior to Board decisions/actions. The Board will listen to public comments and in accordance with district [policy 221](http://crestoncsd.isfis.net/content/221-public-participation-board-meetings), will direct questions to the Superintendent or the appropriate staff.

1. **Consent Items**

The President will ask for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or amended. With a motion and a second, the President will call for the vote.

* 1. Minutes of [September, 20, 2021](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zFd3UbCD_Lb4hyJbidJlVrtg9r0PB5oTekpMJmdZS34/edit?usp=sharing)
  2. Financial Reports
     1. [General, Management, Capital Projects, and Other Funds](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EDXHeTkJFpz2nQbXxImwfzd4UHdhNsJU/view?usp=sharing)
     2. [Activities](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Dsr6jR-vz-0u1Jzt7a5YEYAJ3jQ2Ah3q/view?usp=sharing)
     3. [Nutrition](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EF2A-U_akrR83MUJSdekcr5FOTu3fpMh/view?usp=sharing)
  3. Bills
     1. [All funds report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EiYG3-XtoofUJ8HD_mdXV3mQxGbAvNcc/view?usp=sharing) (updated 10/15/21)
  4. Agreements & Contracts
     1. [Contracts and Resignations](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1o3Xh3UMIS-39EupfME5MuW_s8HtuRs2N6aK9GGd_Ai0/edit?usp=sharing)
  5. [Volunteers](https://docs.google.com/document/d/19afrjB9grdGXO_q7g_TtK0ngLXJutupzDtSQWfQJu2w/edit?usp=sharing)

**Motion by: Gee Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

1. **Communications and Report**
   1. [Facilities Committee Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y_M-F8j_VNbprHoz9t11cSu5Ez_v64Wl/view?usp=sharing)
   2. Maintenance Director Report
   3. [Middle School Principal’s Report](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SAc1WpSeeOkZ2u7loS_exN1mZC2LKRxdbm9ynGSxGLk/edit?usp=sharing)
   4. [High School Principal’s Report](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KgBXuIAUZDGdIbDF4L0wuIw34hVSbjkyBkGSaAVUriU/edit?usp=sharing)
   5. [Business Manager’s Report](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U5zsnqIOipWU2nU_3qa8DAwQPqwknpbhmfSwdMwQJPc/edit?usp=sharing)
   6. [Superintendent’s Report](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SgfG62Vh_iAYsvUiihJYR7DOTGMSei1biZFq4NKF5Sw/edit?usp=sharing)
   7. [ESSER III Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EhDP2W7K-khROM1q94S4-mHwA4h55dBa/view?usp=sharing)
   8. Board Discussion
2. **New Business**
   1. **Consider Approving Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for** [**Special Education**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EdGkeBqImOUzwvOCUM90WzZuyiRhjWb8/view?usp=sharing)

**ACTION:** As a standard practice, administration asks the Board to consider approving the application for additional allowable growth and supplemental aid. In addition to the overall general operating fund budget, school districts monitor revenues and expenditures of special education and report annually to the Department of Education. Districts can spend more than they take in for special education, but the excess expense must be covered with general fund dollars. When the district reports a negative fund balance in special education, the state allows districts to recover the spending authority for those expenditures. The School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) will consider allowing recovery of the budget authority in December. Administration recommends approving the Request for Modified Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for FY21 Special Education deficit. The historical data is included in the Business Managers Report. Please contact Mr. Stender with any questions.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve request for Modified Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for FY21 special education deficit of $480,141.48.

**Motion by: Snodgrass Seconded by: Gee Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

* 1. **Consider Approving** [**Phase II of Facility Improvements**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fwoLSIJtYf3y9k_eMueHjXW7r1lTZy3N/view?usp=sharing)

**ACTION:** The district has submitted an EESER project application ($160,000) and the Department of Education has approved phase II facility improvements to provide safe space for guests and spectators at the outdoor activities complex. Final project planning was not done at the time of developing the agenda and I am asking for school board authorization to proceed with the project as stated in the application to the Department of Education. This allows for the work to proceed with little disruption and before the construction season is adversely impacted. Completing the project this fall saves a considerable amount of money as construction prices are expected to increase at the start of the new year. The school board president will sign any agreements prior to project initiation. Please contact Mr. Stender with any questions.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Phase II Facility Improvements.

**Motion by: Gee Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

* 1. **Consider closed session to conduct exempt employee negotiations in accordance with Iowa Chapter 20.17(3)**

**ACTION**: Under Iowa Chapter 20.17(3**)**, the school board is allowed to go into closed session for exempt employee negotiations. A roll call vote must be taken, and the minutes must reflect how each member voted on closing the session.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Move that we hold a closed session as provided in section 20.17(3**)** of the open meetings law to enter into closed session for exempt employee negotiations

In exempt session: 7:17 p.m.

**Motion by: Gee Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

Closed exempt session: 7:54 p.m.

**Motion by: Snodgrass Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

* 1. **Consider action item, if necessary, from 7.3**

**ACTION**: Pending 7.3

**RECOMMENDATION:** Pending 7.3

No action was taken.

**Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Those Voting: \_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_NAY**

1. **Adjournment: Time: 7:58 p.m.**

**Motion by: Gee Seconded by: James Those Voting: 4 AYE 0 NAY**

Future meetings in Creston boardroom at 801 N. Elm Street, Creston, unless otherwise noted:

* Monday, November 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting
* Monday, November 22, 2021, TBD board work session tentative date.
* IASB Annual Convention Nov. 17-18, 2021 at the Iowa Event Center