

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Centralia City Schools Board of Education, District No. 135, Marion, Clinton, Jefferson and Washington Counties, Illinois, held on April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Building, 400 South Elm Street, Centralia, Illinois 62801.

Members Present: Ron Johnson, Greg Dodson, Lyle Gross, Derek Harlan, and Sue Williams (left meeting 7:10 p.m.)

Members Absent: Blake Griffin (entered meeting 6:35 p.m.), Renae Bauer

Also Present: Supt. Craig E. Clark, Tom Woelfel, Vernell Burris, Ken Easley, Jr., Laban Roth, Tammy Heinrichsmeyer, Mike Middleton, Josh Johnson, and Steven Stilt

Board President Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

MOTION #1:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel matters relating to appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodge against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity and a student disciplinary case. Motion carried.

Adjourned to closed session at 6:01 p.m.

Board Member Griffin arrived at 6:35 p.m.

Board Member Williams left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 7:16 p.m.

MOTION #2:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018.
2. Approval of bills in the amount of \$377,930.75.
3. Approval of April payroll.
4. Approval of minutes of special board retreat meeting held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

5.

Approval of the Superintendent of Schools to prepare an amended School District Budget for 2017-2018 fiscal year with Hearing for said budget to be set for the Board meeting on June 12, 2018 if necessary.

6.

Approval of out of district field trips

for:

a.

SIU Touch of Nature trip in Carbondale, Illinois for Centralia Junior High School Self-Contained and Life Skills classes on April 27, 2018.

b.

Field Kindergarten to Fun Blaster in Mt. Vernon, Illinois on May 11, 2018.

c.

Field Kindergarten to Kaskaskia College to see the play “Tales of the Witch, the Wolf, and the Bridge Troll” on April 18, 2018.

d.

Centralia Junior High School’s Honor Club to Sky Zone in Fairview Heights on May 4, 2018.

e.

Centralia Junior High School Fifth Grade to Forbes State Park on May 2, 2018.

MOTION #3:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Griffin to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC

Vernell Burris commented on switching pension costs to local districts and concerns with closing Lincoln School.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Negotiating Committee met and discussed confidential contractual issues.

CURRICULUM REPORT

An update was given from the Board / Administration Retreat held on April 3rd.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #4:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to accept the letter of intent to retire effective August 3, 2018 from Brenda Davis, Schiller Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

MOTION #5:

It was moved by Griffin and seconded by Dodson to accept the resignation of Penny Angeli, C.J.H.S Assistant Principal. Motion carried.

MOTION #6:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Amy Schilling, C.J.H.S. Math Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #7:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Sara Kuper, C.J.H.S. Math Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #8:

It was moved by Griffin and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Kyle Walker, Jordan Classroom Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

MOTION #9:

It was moved by Griffin and seconded by Dodson to employ Josh Johnson as Assistant Principal at Centralia Junior High School for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried.

MOTION #10:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to employ Jesse Hernandez as custodian starting immediately. Motion carried.

MOTION #11:

It was moved by Griffin and seconded by Dodson to reject all transportation bids and direct the Superintendent to look at other options. Motion carried.

MOTION #12:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Griffin to accept the Centralia City Schools building renovation project bid and three alternate bids from Shores Builders, Inc. Motion carried.

MOTION #13:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Gross to accept the base Asbestos Abatement bid from Sprehe Services and reject the alternate bids. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Supt. Clark reported on the following:

1. Reach for the Stars Award – Graduate Recognition Committee will meet on Thursday, April 19, 2018, to select the 2018 recipient(s) of this award.
2. Online Registration – will open in late April and run through May.
3. C.J.H.S. Graduation – is schedule for Tuesday, May 15th, at 7:00 p.m.
4. Building Celebrations-

Field Kindergarten Center

- Mrs. Jourdan wrote a grant through Donors Choose and received funding for a “Sit and Smile” project. The class will be receiving the following:
 1. Soprano Recorder Bundle 25-pack - value \$69.95
 2. Best-Buy Standard Crayons – value \$59.99
 3. Flex-Space Balance Ball Seat Bundle – value \$113.94The seats will be arranged in a library setting for the students to use while they read. The music instruments will assist in transition to other activities.
- On Thursday, April 12th, Field will host the “Mad Science” show. There will be demonstrations, bubbling potions and chemical reactions geared toward Kindergarten age students.
- On Wednesday, April 18th, Field Kindergarten will attend the play “Tales of the Witch, the Wolf, and the Bridge Troll” at Kaskaskia College.
- We will be conducting iReady testing the week of April 23rd.
- Eighty-one students have read their required Kindergarten Sight Words. Seventy-one students are now reading their Trophy List Words. These words are above the required Kindergarten Sight Words.
- Our end of the year “Celebration” will be held on May 17th at 12:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. This is a time we invite parents and family members to join in celebrating the accomplishments their child has made this past school year.

Jordan School

- “Dr. Seuss Week” was celebrated a week late to coincide with the Centralia High School National Honor Society’s food drive activities. Monday, March 5th was “Crazy Hat Day”, Tuesday, March 6th was “Wacky Socks Day”, Thursday, March 8th was “Twin Day” and Friday, March 9th was “Pajama Day”. Students participated in a food drive during this week as well.
- National School Breakfast Week was celebrated during the week of March 5th - 9th. Students who ate a school breakfast were randomly selected by our cooks to receive gift cards from various area restaurants.

- Photos with the Easter Bunny took place on Wednesday, March 7th. This is a yearly fundraiser for our activity fund. First grade teacher, Mrs. Vadawn Stroud, serves as our photographer each year.
 - On Tuesday, March 13th, all students and staff attended a performance of “Laura Ingalls Wilder: Voice of the Prairie” presented by the Imaginary Theatre of St. Louis. It was at the Centralia Cultural Society and was part of the Cultural Society’s Arts in Education Program. Principal Craig Bland, Leila Crain and Sherry Sauer work to bring professional theatre productions each year for the area schools.
 - A "Don't Sweat the PARCC Day" was held on Thursday, March 15th and everyone was encouraged to wear “sweats” to school in support of our 3rd grade students during PARCC week! A PARCC Pep Rally was also held in the school gymnasium and was led by C.H.S. cheer coach, Jennifer Arning and the Centralia High School cheerleaders.
 - Third grade students successfully completed PARCC testing during the week of March 19th-23rd.
 - Auditions for our upcoming talent show were held at the end of March. Our annual Title I “Family Fine Arts Festival” will be held on Thursday, April 26th. During this event a “Jordan’s Got Talent” show will take place, and student artwork will be exhibited in galleries.
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- Students, who displayed good behavior during the month of March, were treated to a "Zoo” themed Good Conduct Party, coordinated by Title I teacher, Mrs. Andi Barnfield. Students and staff dressed as zoo keepers and zoo animals. The rewards party consisted of various stations including: Hungry, Hungry Hippo, Zoo Stem Activity, Zookeeper Round Up, Zoo Alphabet Scavenger Hunt, Zebra Snack/Story, and Animal Charades.
 - Third grade student, Zoe Coleman, was "Principal for the Day" on March 27th. As “Principal for the Day”, Zoe led the morning announcements, auditioned students for our upcoming talent show, supervised students during lunch, made various announcements throughout the day, and led the "Jordan Stars" assembly. She also had a McDonald's lunch compliments of Mr. Bland and received a plaque to commemorate this special day!
 - Mr. Brian Husk's 3rd grade classroom captured the "Bland Bucks Braggin' Rights" for the month of March. "Bland Bucks" are distributed to students by Mr. Bland when he sees students who are doing an excellent job. At the end of the month, "Bland Bucks" are counted in each classroom and the classroom with the most "Bland Bucks" receives a party from Mr. Bland.

- Girls on the Run, led by 3rd grade teacher, Mrs. Laurie Miller, continue to meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:45 p.m.
- The Boy Scout Pack 166 after school program continues to meet on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. It is led by Boy Scout leader, Diana Jackson, and is assisted by 2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Sandra Johnson.

Schiller School

- Schiller finished PARCC testing!!! Students worked hard to be at school on time and tried their best on their tests.
- Boy Scouts started an after school program on Mondays at Schiller School. The boys are really enjoying the planned activities and camaraderie.
- Students were taken to Centralia Cultural Society to watch a play about Laura Engels Wilder, "Voice of the Prairie."
- Students celebrated having good conduct by walking to AMC theaters to watch "Sherlock Gnomes" on opening day.

Lincoln School

- Family Fun Night on March 22 - Pizza, Book Fair, and the Mad Scientist (Fire and Ice)
- PARCC was completed the third week of March
- Dr. Suess Week was celebrated - Mrs. Reid led the effort.

Centralia Junior High School

- Eighth grade students participated in the Reality Store and the Career Conference at Kaskaskia College.
- Seventh grade students participated in the Rotary Spelling Bee. One of our students placed second.
- PARCC testing is finishing up this week.
- Officer Denton completed talks with all students on intruder safety, and a school-wide intruder drill took place.
- Easton True was recognized at the IPA breakfast.
- For the PBIS celebration for 3rd quarter, students went to the Centralia Recreation Center and had a great time.
- The C.J.H.S. Volleyball Team won the first regional in school history and competed at state.
- The "Real World Challenge" concluded with students presenting their projects to the businesses, and then to their classmates.
- Fifth and sixth grade students heard an anti-bullying presentation from SAFE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION #14:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Harlan to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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JOHNSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILLIAMS	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BAUER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GROSS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
GRIFFIN	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
DODSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Sue Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED: _____
Ron Johnson, President

Sue Williams, Board Secretary