

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 June 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Bldg., 400 South Elm St., Centralia, IL 62801.

Members Present: Ron Johnson, Jeremy Martin, Renae Bauer, Derek Harlan, and Sue Williams

Members Absent: Blake Griffin and Lyle Gross

Also Present: Supt. Craig E. Clark, Asst. Supt. Chris Becker, Kim Emrick, Tyler Perkins, Mike Middleton, Michael Morris, Susan Baumgartner, Yvonne Straeter, Debi Herrell, Machel Stone, Marcia Stinde, Stephanie Obermeier, Pat Patten, Donna Casseday, Judy Truitt, and Brittany Misencik

Board President Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

A Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 Amended Budget was held.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

MOTION #1:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to adjourn to closed session to discuss employment, compensation of specific personnel, negotiations, a semi-annual review of minutes along with verbatim tapes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried.

Adjourned to closed session at 6:16 p.m. Reconvened to open session at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION #2:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Martin to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021.
2. Approval of bills in the amount of \$519,465.65.
3. Approval of June payroll.
4. Renewal of the flexible benefit plan option for employees as allowed by Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code and endorsed by Egyptian Area Schools Employee Benefit Trust and administered by American Fidelity Assurance Company.
5. Approval of destruction of closed session verbatim tapes from meetings held during and before December 2019 and keep closed minutes closed.
6. Designation of Peoples National Bank and the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund as official depositories of school funds for FY 2022.
7. Approval of the Commercial Insurance Renewal for 2021-2022.
8. Approval of the final 2020-2021 School Calendar to reflect June 1st as the last day for students and June 2nd as the last day for teachers.
9. Approval to adopt a resolution declaring surplus property and destruction of such.

Motion carried.

MOTION #3:

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

RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC

1. Retirement Recognition – the following retirees were acknowledged:

Michael Morris	C.J.H.S. Teacher	7 years
Stephanie Obermeier	Central Middle School Teacher	31 years
Patricia Patten	Schiller School Teacher	24 years
Elizabeth Rademacher	Jordan School Teacher	35 years
Machelle Stone	Schiller School Teacher	16 years
Yvonne Straeter	Schiller School Teacher	34 years
Dale Therrien	C.J.H.S. Teacher	9 years
Susan Baumgartner	Food Service Director	10 years
Donna Casseday	Paraprofessional	22 years
Martha Gray	Jordan School Cook	7 years
Debra Herrell	Paraprofessional	8 years
Susan Kracht	Jordan School Secretary	13 years
Nancy Langenfeld	Paraprofessional	25 years
Tom Woelfel	District Treasurer	57 years

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

CURRICULUM REPORT

- 1.Asst. Supt. Becker reported on the latest Urban Learning and Leadership Center visit which included training on CHAMPS and Zones of Regulation. Final i-Ready diagnostic assessments completed in May showed student growth in both math and reading.
- 2.Principal Mrs. Emrick shared information about Centralia Junior High School. She reviewed student achievement goals, detailing many innovative programs at the school.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #4:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Martin to accept the contractual agreement between the Board of Education and Superintendent Craig Clark. Motion carried.

MOTION #5:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to accept the contractual agreement between the Board of Education and C.J.H.S. Assistant Principal Jordan Queen. Motion carried.

MOTION #6:

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Martin to approve pay schedules for bus drivers and bus monitors. Motion carried.

MOTION #7:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to adopt the 2020-2021 Amended Budget. Motion carried.

MOTION #8:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve the transfer of Teresa Burdin from Sixth Grade Language Arts Teacher to Instructional Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #9:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to approve the transfer of Laurie Miller from Third Grade Teacher to Instructional Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #10:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to approve the transfer of Kyle Kohlmeier from Kindergarten Teacher to Schiller Instructional Support Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #11:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to approve the transfer of Krystal Hutton from Fifth Grade Teacher to Central Middle School Instruction Support Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #12:

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Harlan to approve the transfer of Shaina Hocking from Centralia Junior High School Title I Teacher to Centralia Junior High School Special Education Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #13:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Bauer to employ Kara Welch as Special Education Supervisor. Motion carried.

MOTION #14:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to employ Mia Debernardi as Jordan School Instructional Support Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #15:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Bauer to employ Amber Winchester as Centralia Junior High School Instructional Support Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #16:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to employ Mikayla Meyer as Schiller School Kindergarten Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #17:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to accept the resignation of Maggie Purcell as 7th Grade Math Teacher. Motion carried.

MOTION #18:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to accept the resignation of Terry Herrell as 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #19:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to accept the resignation of Ryan White as 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #20:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to approve a maternity leave for employee #1498. Motion carried.

MOTION #21:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to accept the Intent to Retire Letter from Raphael Rush, effective June 2022.

MOTION #22:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve the HLS/ESSER II project for CJHS floor replacement by Shores Builders. Motion carried.

MOTION #23:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Bauer to approve the HLS/ESSER II project for CJHS fire panel replacement by Security Alarm. Motion carried.

MOTION #24:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to approve the HLS/ESSER II project for the Administration Building door replacement by Marion Glass. Motion carried.

MOTION #25:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to approve the HLS/ESSER II project for the C.J.H.S. (commons and emergency exit) door replacement by Marion Glass. Motion carried.

MOTION #26:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve the HLS/ESSER II project for air handler replacement at Schiller School by Industrial Mechanical. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. Clark reported on the following:

1. End of Year enrollment Report – final enrollment was 1106. Some students who were home schooled this year are expected to return in the fall.
2. Building Celebrations:

Schiller

- Schiller School employees enjoyed finally meeting our ULLC coach, Kathy Kubic, in person. She spent three days in Centralia visiting our schools, observing

classrooms, and providing p.d. to our staff. We look forward to working with her more in person and implementing our new strategies next school year.

- Our summer school team worked hard to finalize plans for summer school and to make it fun for the students. They can't wait to build the student's up and make them stronger readers.
- Mrs. Marshall and the ULLC coach met with ISBE for the final quarter report. ISBE commended the Schiller team for doing so well this school year and reported having no worries at all in the success of the path we are on.
- Reading Specialist, Diane Chaulburg, came to visit Schiller School and demonstrated shared reading in the classroom with students. Classroom teachers were able to see what a model lesson looks like and had a chance to ask questions.
- Students had a chance to shop for the final time in the school store with their behavior bucks they had earned with good behavior.
- Students enjoyed wonderful weather on the last day of school as they had Play Day. Students had a blast with bubbles, races, and games at school for half of the day with the other half at Fairview Park.
- A big thank you to Macz Funeral Home for setting up a canopy for our students and staff on Play Day so we could enjoy a little shade. It was appreciated.
- Students enjoyed their final Good Conduct Party by creating their own ice cream sundaes and enjoying free time outside.
- Mrs. Patten was presented an award for her years of participation with the American Heart Association and fundraising.
- Staff celebrated our retirees this year: Mrs. Yvonne Straeter, Mrs. Pat Patten and Ms. Mabelle Stone. We are so thankful for their years of service and will miss them dearly but we are excited for them to move on to their next journey work free.

Jordan

- Our "ZYX Countdown" ended on the last day of school. Each day used a letter of the alphabet that was incorporated into a themed day!
- Our school cooks, Martha Gray, Donna McMillan, and Diane Whitelow, were celebrated for their hard work and delicious food on May 6th.
- Teacher Appreciation Week was observed during the week of May 3rd-7th, culminating with a luncheon compliments of the Jordan P.T.O.
- Our school nurse, Trisha Niepoetter, was celebrated on May 12th as part of School Nurse Day.
- On Wednesday, May 12th, Kathy Kubic from ULLC visited our school. This was the first in-person visit. During her visit, she observed various classrooms and interacted with students by asking them a variety of questions regarding the routines and topics that our staff has been implementing throughout the school year. At the end of the school day, she presented an overview of our school improvement plan.

- Students participated in a school-wide baseball thematic unit during the weeks of May 10th - 14th and May 17th - 21st. The theme of baseball was incorporated into various subject areas throughout these two weeks.
- Our speech pathologist, Victoria Ruggeri, was celebrated on May 18th for National Speech Pathologist Day.
- Second grade students participated in “Camp Read A Lot” on Monday, May 24th. Classrooms were transformed into campsites, and student desks became tents. Students participated in camping themed activities throughout the school day.
- An end-of-the-school-year Field Day took place on Thursday, May 27th. It was organized by Mr. Krutsinger and Mrs. Langenfeld. Students were able to spend most of the school day outside and participated in numerous events. Students enjoyed popsicles compliments of the Jordan P.T.O.
- Faculty and staff participated in an in-service with Kathy Kubic from ULLC on Friday, May 28th. This in-service focused on the Zones of Regulation that will teach students how to regulate their emotions.
- A reception was held on Friday, May 28th for our four retiring employees: Mrs. Martha Gray, cook; Mrs. Susan Kracht, secretary; Mrs. Nancy Langenfeld, paraprofessional; and Mrs. Beth Rademacher, 3rd grade teacher.
- A “Last Day Luau” event ended our school year on June 2nd. This event was organized as part of the social/moral component of our school improvement plan that we are presently creating with ULLC. Faculty and staff dressed in their finest Hawaiian attire and a potluck lunch took place.
- Planning is still taking place for summer school. Students in grades K-3 will attend summer school at Jordan Elementary School. The program will focus on the specific skills that students are lacking.
- A special thank you to everyone who helped to navigate through this past school year. Our “Team Jordan” proved that “teamwork makes the dream work”!

Central Middle School

- BLT developed a list of items that will remain in effect for the upcoming school year: Breakfast in the classrooms with teachers. Create partner teachers for bus duty at the end of the day. Continue with implementation of community building circles and CHAMPS. Continue the parent pick up process. PACING of lessons to ensure that every grade level student is receiving the same activities and content in subject areas.
- CMS participated in a Science PD on May 4th to prepare for the use of the new Science Curriculum that will be implemented in the 21-22 school year.
- On May 5th (Cinco de Mayo), Dr. Hill and Ms. Reid collaborated during the morning announcements. Announcements were read in both English and Spanish in their entirety. Teachers discussed the events of May 5th in Social Studies.
- CMS also partnered in a successful Bus Evacuation Drill that had to be redeveloped to accommodate the existing COVID-19 Protocols.

- For Teacher Appreciation Week, CMS teachers were appreciated for their hard work this year by receiving a surprise gift on their desk each morning (May 3-7). Teachers also got to ‘walk the red carpet’ and photos were posted to the CMS Facebook page. They also enjoyed a meal provided by Mid-Western Barbecue.
- On May 7th, CMS recognized its lunch heroes (Stephanie Daniels and Beverly Braun) and all that they have done to keep our students fed and meals packaged and delivered throughout this school year. In addition, Mrs. Braun has worked tirelessly with Food Director, Mrs. Baumgartner to implement our new meal accountability and reporting for the upcoming school year.
- National School Nurses’ Day was on May 12th, CMS teachers celebrated Nurse Schmidt for all she has done to keep us healthy and safe all year long by presenting her with several gifts.
- On May 13th, teachers had an opportunity to visit with our Learning Partner (ULLC) in person. She toured the school with Dr. Hill and visited a few classrooms. She interviewed the students in Ms. Reid’s classroom and surveyed them about their thoughts on learning at CMS.
- Teachers participated in a professional development opportunity entitled ‘Zones of Regulation’ on May 28th. The goal of the PD is to encourage students to regulate their own behaviors by recognizing what zone (blue, red, yellow, or green) they are in and developing the skills to independently move through the zones and regulate their own behaviors.
- On May 24th, CMS students participated in their EOY class photo over zoom. Teachers sent class photos to the Social Charter project manager, Ashleigh Lacey (4th grade resource teacher) and this will be posted to the CMS Facebook once they have been compiled.
- As an EOY celebration, the entire CMS had a Luau celebration on June 1st. Each team member received an award for their hard work that was specific to their contribution over the past year.
- For National “Get Caught Reading” Month, four CMS students were awarded novels each week.
- Teachers have continued to focus intentional blocks of time on i-Ready math and reading lessons. The goal is to encourage students to take the lessons seriously and strive for excellence in completion.
- Thirty students were randomly selected from the entries and awarded weekly i-Ready prizes for their ability to pass math and reading i-Ready lessons.
- Ms. Hutton’s class won the school-wide Trivia question. The question is generally a recall of an important fact that has been discussed on the morning announcements. The class was treated to sundaes.

Centralia Junior High School

- Our students made great gains in i-Ready scores from the first diagnostic to the last. We feel implementing structured RtI lessons and incentivizing growth helped with this progress. We look forward to continuing this next year.
- Students have been working hard during RtI, they are able to earn i-Ready Bucks that are used for drawings. Twenty-six selected students were given gift cards.
- Graduation went extremely well. We had 104 students walk through the graduation ceremony. We appreciate Centralia High School allowing us to use their facilities to maintain social distancing and allow families to participate.
- We had the opportunity to celebrate our retirees at an end of year celebration. Mr. Queen grilled hamburgers and hot dogs and staff brought side dishes to wish them well in retirement. We celebrated Donna Casseday, Stephanie Obermeier, Mike Morris and Dale Therrien.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION #27:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

<u>MOTION #</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>
JOHNSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILLIAMS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BAUER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
MARTIN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
GRIFFIN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GROSS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

<u>MOTION #</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>
JOHNSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILLIAMS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BAUER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
MARTIN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
GRIFFIN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GROSS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Sue Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED: _____
Ron Johnson, President

Sue Williams, Board Secretary