

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 October 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Bldg., 400 South Elm St., Centralia, IL 62801.

Members Present: Ron Johnson, Renae Bauer, Derek Harlan, Lyle Gross, and Sue Williams

Members Absent: Jeremy Martin and Greg Dodson

Also Present: Supt. Craig E. Clark, Asst. Supt. Chris Becker, Austin Williams, Bo Thomas, and Rob Wielt

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

The regular meeting was reconvened.

MOTION #1:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

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

Reconvened to open session at 7:09 p.m.

MOTION #2:

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

1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021.
2. Approval of bills in the amount of \$471,027.38.
3. Approval of October payroll.
4. Approval of returning annual income of Centralia City Schools Endowment Fund to the Centralia City Schools Endowment Fund.
5. Approval of the Library Grant.

Motion carried.

MOTION #3:

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

RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC

1. The Audit Report was presented by Glass and Shuffett representative Bo Thomas, who noted the district's Financial Profile Score increased to 3.90 from 3.70 last year. No deficiencies in financial reporting were found.
2. Rob Wielt of Affordable Gas and Electric approached the Board about locking in natural gas rates for the winter to avoid a spike like was experienced last winter. Various options were presented for different length contracts.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

(none)

CURRICULUM REPORT

1. Mrs. Becker reported that a meeting with the ISBE IL-Empower Coordinator took place in September. ULLC Coaches visited all buildings during a recent half-day in-service and have also modeled effective techniques in the classrooms. Professional development has been provided on utilizing the I-Ready program. District instructional coaches have been providing support to new teachers as well as more experienced teachers. A new literacy program has been purchased for grades 6-8 which will be fully implemented during the next school year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION #4

It was moved by Gross and seconded by Bauer to accept the Glass and Shuffett audit. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #5:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Gross to approve the employee in-district travel allowance. Motion carried.

A second reading of Policy 4:60 update was held. This policy update allows superintendent expenditures that don't exceed \$10,000 without board approval.

MOTION #6:

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Bauer to adopt Policy 4:60 update as read. Motion carried.

MOTION #7:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to approve AGE's natural gas rate proposal for 48 months at a rate of \$0.513. Motion carried.

MOTION #8:

It was moved by Gross and seconded by Harlan to employ April Snow as Homebound Instructor. Motion carried.

MOTION #9:

It was moved by Gross and seconded by Bauer to employ Chris Meyer as Classroom Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

MOTION #10:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Gross to employ Allee Clifton as Individual Paraprofessional at Schiller. Motion carried.

MOTION #11:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer not to employ Heather Wehking as Individual Paraprofessional at CJHS per her request. Motion carried.

MOTION #12:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Gross to approve the intent to retire letter from Stephanie Sachtleben effective immediately. Motion carried.

MOTION #13:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to accept the resignation of Kristen Rollie, Early Childhood Teacher at Schiller. Motion carried.

MOTION #14:

It was moved by Gross and seconded by Harlan to accept the resignation of Barbara Weidner, bus monitor. Motion carried.

MOTION #15:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of April Snow as Girls' Cross Country Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #16:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to approve the After School Program handbook. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. Clark reported on the following:

1. Building Celebrations:

Schiller:

Jordan:

- Students participated in a Krispy Kreme fundraiser sponsored by the Jordan PTO. Students sold over 1,200 items! A special thank you to Mr. Paul Almy who drove his box trailer to Marion to help to pick up doughnuts!
- Diana Strohecker and Diane Chalberg, literacy coaches from ULLC, visited classrooms and demonstrated shared reading for our teachers. Shared reading is one component of the new balanced literacy program that we will implement next school year.
- In honor of "School Custodian Day", faculty and staff presented Mr. Isaiah and Mr. Boettcher with Walmart gift cards.

- We celebrated Fire Prevention Week during the week of October 4th through the 8th. Students participated in a required fire drill assisted by the Centralia Fire Department. The Centralia Fire Department presented their “Patches the Fire Dog” program to 2nd-grade students and 3rd-grade students toured their “Fire Safety House”.
- Kathy Kubic, from ULLC, met with teachers to train them on “The Year of the Writer”. She highlighted specific writing goals for 2nd and 3rd-grade students.
- We will celebrate “Red Ribbon Week” during the week of October 25th through the 29th. Monday is “Red”y to Live A Drug Free Life” (Red Day), Tuesday is “Oh, The Places You Will Go If You Don’t Do Drugs”, Wednesday is “I’m Too “Bright” for Drugs”, and Thursday is “Sock It to Drugs”.
- Staff and students participated in our required ALICE training and active shooter drill on Tuesday, October 12th. Students participated in video trainings prior the drill.

Central:

BLT

- Met to discuss and present ideas about the new after school program and how students will be recommended for the program.
- Established how the P/T conferences will be run this year. A virtual option will be provided for families.

ULLC

- On September 16th, the sweep team participated in a professional development that was geared to prepare the CMS teachers for the shared reading demonstrations that were set to take place later in the month.
- On September 30th and October 1st, all fourth and fifth grade teachers were introduced to a modeled lesson of shared reading which is a component of our new balanced literacy program. The sampling was engaging and will help to prepare the teachers for rolling out Shared Reading at CMS.

Mid-term PBIS

- All fourth and fifth grade students who earned the PBIS celebration were provided with popsicles and playground time.

Fun Fridays

- All CMS cubs who have managed to get through the week without any behavior issues and are all caught up on work, enjoy extra play time on the playground each Friday. Most students have been earning this weekly reward.

Hispanic Heritage Month

- In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15th through October 15th, daily biographies about Hispanic contributors to American culture have been shared over the morning announcements. Periodically, the entire school participates in a random recall of one of the highlighted individuals. The winning class is awarded a lunchtime treat.

Cub Cash Treats

- Students continue to earn Cub Cash that they are able to drop in the prize box for random drawings of treats each Friday. Students can earn Cub Cash by performing a variety of Cub trait tasks that demonstrate readiness, responsibility, and respect.

Tiger Cubs of the Month

- Payton Offill and Hattie Blair (4th grade)
- Delaney Snow and Kynlee Rye (5th grade)

I-ready Winners

- To date, CMS has awarded 48 I-ready winners. However, there have been 400 plus entrants in the drawing over the past month. Each week 4 Lucky 4th and 4 Lucky 5th graders are awarded for doing an outstanding job on I-ready lessons

Running Records

- Ms. Hutton has been working non-stop to level all of our 4th and 5th grade students in reading. The benefit of assessing students in this manner is that they must all read passages of text until their accuracy rate is established. 90%-94% accuracy indicates a child's instructional level. If they are below 90%, this indicates that the reading material is too difficult. If they are above 95%, this indicates that the reading material is far too easy. In addition to establishing the reading level, students experience a series of comprehension questions that will determine their ability to understand what they read.

CJHS:

2. Other

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, October 18, is a district in-service day. Gerry Brooks will be speaking to the faculty and staff.

MOTION #17:

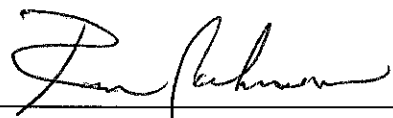
It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Bauer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

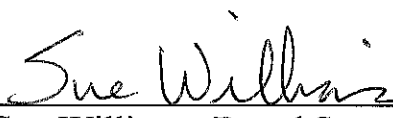
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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JOHNSON.....	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
HARLAN	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
MARTIN													
DODSON													
GROSS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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JOHNSON.....	Y	Y	Y	Y								
WILLIAMS...	Y	Y	Y	Y								
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y								
BAUER	Y	Y	Y	Y								
MARTIN												
DODSON												
GROSS	Y	Y	Y	Y								

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
 Sue Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED: 
 Ron Johnson, President


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