

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 Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Bldg., 400 South Elm St., Centralia, IL 62801.

Members Present: Ron Johnson, Derek Harlan, Greg Dodson and Sue Williams

Members Absent: Lyle Gross, Jeremy Martin, and Renae Bauer

Also Present: Supt. Craig E. Clark, Bo Raus, Steven Stilt, and Benjamin Watson

Board President Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

MOTION #1:

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

Adjourned to closed session at 6:02 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 7:01 p.m.

MOTION #2:

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

1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.
2. Approval of bills in the amount of \$614,051.88.
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.
6. Approval of moving the November 8, 2022 school board meeting to November 9, 2022 due to November 8<sup>th</sup> being a holiday.

Motion Carried.

MOTION #3:

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

RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC

1. The Glass and Shuffett Audit Report – The auditor noted that the district should be proud of its financial status and its reporting methods. The district received a total profile score of 3.45.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

## CURRICULUM REPORT

1. Mrs. Christina Becker reported that faculty and staff participated in in-service activities on October 7<sup>th</sup> related to balanced literacy, de-escalation strategies, and the power of positive leadership for teachers. She also shared iReady test results which serve as a baseline for the year and give direction as to where to direct support.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### MOTION #4:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Harlan to accept the Galss and Shuffett audit. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

### MOTION #5:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Harlan to accept the employee in-district travel allowances. Motion carried.

### MOTION #6:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to employ Thomas Cox as Schiller Special Education Teacher. Motion carried.

### MOTION #7:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to employ Cortini Yarbrough as Girls' Seventh Grade Basketball Coach. Motion carried.

### MOTION #8:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to employ Walter Gardner as Centralia Junior High School Individual Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

### MOTION #9:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to employ Karly Schwalm as Schiller Early Childhood Individual Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

### MOTION #10:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to employ Joe Stedelin as District Custodian. Motion carried.

### MOTION #11:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to accept the resignation of Michelle Garrison as Central Middle School Mental Health Support. Motion carried.

MOTION #12:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to accept the resignation of Brittany Kohlmeier as Individual Paraprofessional at Centralia Junior High. Motion carried.

MOTION #13:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Dodson to accept the resignation of Lee Bowen as Individual Paraprofessional at Central Middle School. Motion carried.

MOTION #14:

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Dodson to accept the Intent to Retire Letter from Gloria Hardy. Motion carried.

MOTION #15:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Harlan to approve appointing building principals to serve as a liaison to facilitate enrollment and transfer of records for students in custody of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) under Public Act 102-0199. Motion carried.

MOTION #16:

It was moved by Dodson and seconded by Harlan to approve the Bus Driver and Bus Monitor Employee Handbook. Motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. Clark reported on the following:

1. Building Celebrations.
2. Other

**Schiller:**

- Schiller PTO had a very successful Krispy Kreme fundraiser, selling more than 863 dozen donuts! Money raised will help pay for field trips and assemblies throughout the year.
- Students completed their first fire drill and did a great job exiting the building quickly and orderly. This week we will continue with another fire drill with the fire department and enjoy a visit from Patches the fire safety dog.
- Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Bernard hosted the Room Parent's Tea where parents discussed plans for classroom parties for the school year.
- Staff took part in the flu clinic held at Schiller School with Byrd Watson. Staff was offered the flu shot, COVID-19 vaccines, and COVID-19 home tests.

- Students participated in their first field trip to the pumpkin patch. Country Kids hosted our students as they rotated stations throughout the day and finished by picking out their very own pumpkins to bring home. Students are doing a book report and decorating their pumpkins like their favorite character. Pumpkins are displayed down the hallways for everyone to enjoy.
- Students have enjoyed their Fun Fridays with their teachers. Each Friday students who have earned their way to Fun Friday get to participate in a special activity with their teacher.
- Student Class Dojo points are racking up! Students receive dojo points for good behavior. After they have saved them, they get a chance to shop the school store for lots of goodies.
- Students will begin their first testing for F&P reading levels to see how much growth they have made thus far. Guided reading has started in all classrooms and the teachers and students are doing great! We can't wait to see the growth they are making!

## **Jordan**

- Our teachers have been working hard to prepare for our balanced literacy rotations in their classrooms. All aspects of balanced literacy: guided reading, shared reading, independent reading, interactive read aloud, and “Year of the Writer” are now being implemented in our classrooms.
- Students with good behavior were treated to a 30-minute Good Conduct Extra Play on Monday, September 19th. Students who had 85% or higher-Class Dojo positive points qualified to attend. A Good Conduct Halloween-Themed Movie will take place at City Hope Church on Tuesday, October 25th, for those students who qualify.
- Faculty, staff, and students participated in a required active shooter training and drill on Monday, September 26th.
- All students participated in required bus evacuation drills on Thursday, September 22nd.
- 2nd grade classes are currently participating in the “Ag in the Classroom” program offered through the University of Illinois Extension. These lessons are taught by Mrs. Meggan Heistand.
- 3rd grade classes are currently participating in the “Great Garden Detective” program offered through the University of Illinois Extension. These lessons are taught by Mrs. Krystal Pruden.
- Mrs. Tammy Guidish recently visited 3rd grade classrooms to discuss the 4H program and to encourage students to participate.
- All classrooms began receiving monthly SEL lessons presented by our Mental Health Support staff. This month’s lesson focused on organization. Each month will focus around a different topic.

- The Jordan PTO recently met and planned for upcoming events and fundraisers for our school. A successful Krispy Kreme Doughnut fundraiser recently took place, and students sold a total of 775 items.
- SAFE visited our classrooms on Wednesday, October 5th, and Thursday, October 6th, and presented lessons on consent. Presenters will return on Wednesday, November 2nd, and Thursday, November 3rd, to present lessons on body safety.
- On Friday, October 7th, teachers and classroom paraprofessionals attended a Literacy Conference at Jordan Elementary School presented by ULLC. Sessions were presented relating to balanced literacy.
- We will celebrate Fire Prevention Week during the week of October 9<sup>th</sup> through the 15th. The Centralia Fire Department will present their “Patches the Fire Dog” program to 2nd grade students and will bring their “Fire Safety House” for 3rd grade students to tour. Students will also participate in a fire drill with the fire department.
- We will host our annual Title I Halloween Spooktacular on Thursday, October 20th, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. Families and organizations are encouraged to attend and distribute treats to our students.
- We will celebrate “Red Ribbon Week” during the week of October 24th through the 27th. Monday is “Give Drugs the Boot/Red Day, Tuesday is “Being Drug Free Is No Sweat Day”, Wednesday is “Drugs Are Scary Day”, and Thursday is “Sock It to Drugs Day”.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 27th and Friday, October 28th.
- We are in the process of planning for our After School Program. Ten students in 2nd and 3rd grades will be selected each month to participate. The program will focus on reading and math interventions.

## **Central**

### **I-Ready Diagnostic #1, September 12th, 2022**

- CMS students completed their first I-ready diagnostic test. This will enable teachers to identify students who may be struggling in reading and math. Also, teachers are able to assign lessons to students based upon their identified educational needs.

### **Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15th-October 15th, 2022**

- Each morning CMS students are invited to hear a biography of an important person of Hispanic origin that has contributed to the growth and development of America.

### **PBIS Midquarter Celebration, September 16th, 2022**

- CMS students who earned the PBIS celebration were invited to an outdoor party of sorts involving games, treats, and fun.

### **Picture Day September 21st, 2022**

- CMS students had picture day on September 21st, 2022.

### **Active Shooter Drill, September 28th, 2022**

- CMS students participated in an Active Shooter/Intruder Drill. Students received glowing remarks from the SRO Hinkel on their ability to comply with the drill expectations.

### **Cubs of the Month: September 28th, 2022**

- **4th grade**
  - K'Lynn Schulte
  - Miles Scanlon
  - Wyatt Mullenix
  - Claire Bundy
  - Luke Marcum
  - Hadley Lyons
- **5th grade**
  - Payton Offill
  - Bella Johnson
  - Hattie Blair
  - Caylee Beazley
  - Lilah Jarvis
  - Brooklyn Stebbins

Each cub was treated to a pizza meal, dessert and drink luncheon. Each Cub was permitted to invite a friend to the luncheon. This month's sponsor was Silver Age Collectibles.

### **September Cafeteria Winners, September 30th, 2022**

- Congratulations to Ms. Reid's 4th grade class on being named the contest winner for exhibiting excellent cafeteria behavior for the month of September.
- Congratulations to Ms. Thomason's 5th grade class on being named the contest winner for exhibiting excellent cafeteria behavior for the month of September.

### **CMS I-ready Winners**

- CMS has continued to recognize those students who are meeting and exceeding on I-ready lessons. Weekly drawings are used to encourage five 4th graders and five 5th graders who have achieved 75%-100% on I-ready lessons.

### **STEAM and KC Volunteers**

Ms. Stacy has joined our team as the STEAM teacher. She has jumped into this new role and has continued to create, develop, and implement exciting activities for our students. In addition, Ms. Stacy has partnered with Kaskaskia College and CMS students have had the opportunity to work alongside some of KC's college students

## **CJHS**

- We had an all-school assembly to honor our Tigers of the Month with their families in attendance. It has been several years since we have been able to do that due to Covid. The students celebrated with a pizza party that Silver Age Collectibles sponsored.
  - Baseball and Softball finished their seasons. The Tigers lost in the first round to Salem. The Tigerettes advanced to the second round of regionals after beating Wesclin but lost game two to Salem.
  - 7th grade Science classes had a non-traditional quiz on biological organization and were able to build models to put them in order.
  - 8th grade Social Studies students created dioramas for their Westward Expansion Unit.
- 8th graders participated in the Career Day at KC. Students were able to pick careers that interested them, and were able to listen to professionals in these fields.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The negotiating committee will be meeting soon.
2. A retirement dinner for district bookkeeper Rita Carpenter will be held on November 15 at 6 p.m.

## MOTION #17:

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

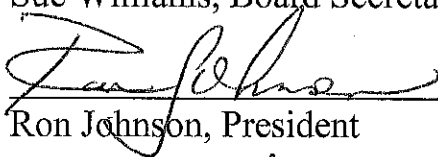
Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
Sue Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED:

  
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Ron Johnson, President

  
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Sue Williams, Board Secretary