

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, April 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Bldg., 400 South Elm St., Centralia, IL 62801.

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

Members Absent: Greg Dodson

Also Present: Supt. Craig E. Clark, Christina Becker, Jordan Queen, Steven Stilt, Jennifer Stilt

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

MOTION #1:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel matters relating to the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

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

Reconvened to open session at 7:08 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, March 14, 2023.
2. Approval of minutes of regular meeting held on Thursday, March 30, 2023.
3. Approval of bills in the amount of \$1,198,120.39.
4. Approval of April payroll.
5. Approval of the Superintendent of Schools to prepare an Amended School

District Budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year with the Hearing for said budget to be set for the Board Meeting on June 13, 2023 if necessary.

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

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

CURRICULUM REPORT

Mr. Jordan Queen presented an overview of this year at Centralia Junior High School. He showed various classroom activities , how positive office referrals work, how Tiger of the month nominees are recognized and Highlights from the holiday door decorating contest. Accomplishments of the school's athletic teams were also mentioned. The importance of PAC was discussed along with the PAWS program to create positivity around the school. Various means for recognizing the students were also shared.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #4:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Jennifer Woodside as Jordan Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

MOTION #5:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to accept the resignation of Iana Watson as Bus Monitor. Motion carried.

MOTION #6:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Mike Lambert as CJHS Baseball Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #7:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Gross to accept the resignation of Cami Wheelen Dorries as CJHS Softball Coach. Motion carried.

MOTION #8:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Bauer to approve the dismissal of Larry Kimmel as Custodian for medical reasons. Motion carried.

MOTION #9:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve the dismissal of Chris Ray as Bus Monitor. Motion carried.

MOTION #10:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Harlan to approve the dismissal of Cheryl Peterson as Bus Monitor. Motion carried.

MOTION #11:

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Martin to approve the transfer of Jamie Dudley from First Grade Teacher to Schiller Resource Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

MOTION #12:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to approve the transfer of Chris Meyer from classroom paraprofessional to grounds/custodian personnel. Motion carried.

MOTION #13:

It was moved by Bauer and seconded by Gross to approve the hiring of Tracy DeVore as individual paraprofessional at Jordan School. Motion carried.

MOTION #14:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve a maternity leave for employee #1493. Motion carried.

MOTION #15:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Bauer to approve the RAZ Plus Renewal (Reading A to Z online program) at a cost of \$19,062.68. Motion carried.

MOTION #16:

It was moved by Harlan and seconded by Martin to approve the Vocabulary A-Z Renewal at a cost of \$10,534.16. Motion carried.

MOTION #17:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Harlan to approve a three year contract with the Centralia City Schools Teachers Association. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Building Celebrations
2. Other

Schiller:

- Schiller School hosted our school carnival with lots of games, a jump house, and food. The students and their families came out for a night of fun to play games and win prizes. It was a great success with lots of fun had by all.
- Students have made great improvements with their F&P scores this quarter. It is so exciting seeing the light bulbs go off and students soaring levels in their reading!
- Students participated in the Honor Society Food Drive with CHS. Students brought food items to help the Honor Society stock food pantries.
- Fireside Nursing Home hosted a coloring contest at our school. Students did their best and were all awarded with a gift bag of goodies! We had six winners of bicycles and several easter baskets. We thank Fireside Nursing Home for hosting the contest and giving back to our school!

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Jordan:

- Our Pennies for Lincoln fundraiser was a big success! Students collected over \$900.00 in pennies to purchase supplies for our students and for our classrooms! There were two classes that collected the most pennies, Mrs. Stroud's 2nd-grade class, and Ms. Woods' 3rd-grade class. Both classes were treated to a pizza party compliments of Mr. Bland!
- 3rd grade students participated in the Picture Person Program sponsored by the Centralia Cultural Society on Tuesday, March 7th and Thursday, March 9th. They saw several of Van Gogh's paintings and learned about him through a picture book called, "Getting to Know the World's Famous Artists - Vincent Van Gogh". 2nd grade students will participate in the Picture Person Program during the month of April.
- During the week of March 13th through March 17th, students and their families participated in a food drive sponsored by the CHS National Honor Society. Mrs. Wangler's classroom collected the most food items and received a pizza party. The food drive was a big success!
- Students who met the bi-quarterly behavior criteria were treated to the movie, "Inside Out", shown on the big screen at City Hope Church on Thursday, March 16th. This SEL themed movie helped students connect their own personal experiences to the messages in the movie. Students were also treated to popcorn.
- Seven students received Macz Pursuit of Excellence Student Recognition Awards sponsored by Macz Funeral Home. Students were nominated by their teachers who wrote short explanations about why the students were worthy of this recognition. Students received a certificate and a coin to purchase ice cream at C-Town Twist. Recipients included Matthew Bone, Allison Hirsch, Bryar Kurwicki, Armida Martinez, Reeve Moore, Jayla Rogers, and Chelsea Timmons .

- Students participated in a “Don’t Sweat the IAR Day” on Friday, March 17th. Everyone was encouraged to wear “sweats” to support our 3rd-grade students.
- An IAR Pep Rally was held at the end of the school day on Friday, March 17th, and featured the CHS cheerleaders. 3rd-grade students ran through the “tunnel of knowledge” at the end of the assembly to help to motivate them during testing.
- 3rd-grade students successfully completed IAR testing during the week of March 20th through the 24th.
- During IAR testing week, 2nd-grade teachers brought treats daily for the 3rd-grade teachers to show their support.
- On Friday, March 24th, 3rd-grade students were treated to an ice cream party to celebrate their successful completion of IAR testing.
- During the week of March 27th through March 31st, Mrs. Blair presented visual arts lessons to students. 2nd-grade students worked on Georgia O'Keeffe-inspired watercolor paintings, and 3rd-grade students worked on Piet Mondrian-inspired modern art paintings.
- On Monday, March 27th, 2nd-grade students in Mrs. Eversgerd's and Mrs. Miller's classrooms enjoyed a "Play Day " at the Centralia Recreation Complex to celebrate their last day of swim lessons! Students in Mrs. Stroud’s, Mrs. Witzel’s, and Ms. Wysocki’s 2nd-grade classes will begin our final leg of swim lessons in April.
- On Thursday, March 30th, the Easter Bunny (Mrs. Donoho) visited everyone at Jordan Elementary School! A fundraiser, featuring keepsake photos with the Easter Bunny, was held on this date.
- Girls on the Run continues to meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:45 PM.
- Our After School Program continues to meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. We now have two volunteers from Centralia Connected, Mrs. Glenna Bonner and Mrs. Barbara McCaskey, who are assisting with the program.
- Students will soon audition for our upcoming talent show, “Jordan’s Got Talent”. Those students who are selected by Mr. Bland will participate in a talent show on Thursday, April 27th at 6:00 PM. This show will be part of our Title I Family Fine Arts Festival spotlighting student artwork and talent. A Scholastic Book Fair will also be held during this week.
- Our paraprofessionals were celebrated by our staff on Paraprofessionals Day which was on Wednesday, April 5th.
- Students will take their third and final iReady diagnostic tests beginning on Monday, April 24th. This data will be analyzed to assist students in deficient areas and will be used to track overall student progress.

Central:

Black History Month Poster Winners

- CMS students created posters for Black History Month. The posters have been displayed in the hallway at CMS and faculty and staff voted on the posters.
 - First Place: Lily Nangle and Sydney Towns
 - Second Place: Haylea Shreve

After School program

- The after school program continues to meet with students on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students in the after school program colored a picture mural of Langston Hughes in celebration of black history month.
- Teachers have been focused on fluid movement throughout the balanced literacy block. Students have been showing growth in reading levels.

Women's History Month

- In March CMS celebrated Women's History Month. Each day, students were treated to an excerpt reading about a famous woman in history that contributed to the overall improvement of conditions for women throughout the world.

Picture Person (fourth grade)

- The representative from Picture Person came in to work on art projects with our fourth graders. Their artwork will be displayed for community viewing at the cultural society in May.

Weekly I-ready Winners

- CMS students have continued to work hard on their I-ready lessons and 10 students have been awarded prizes through a random drawing. 75% to 99% earns a chance to enter once. Any student who earns 100% is awarded the opportunity to enter the drawing twice. Each week, the box has been filled with potential winners.

Swimming

- CMS fifth grade has been attending swimming lessons at the Centralia Recreation Complex. They have also been learning about basic water safety in the classrooms once a week.

End Quarter PBIS celebration

- Those students who had earned the PBIS celebration were invited to participate in an ice cream bar with a variety of toppings and a movie. The students seemed to enjoy the treat and they continue to earn points toward the final two PBIS celebrations slated for mid-quarter and end of the year.

Cubs of the Month

- The cubs of the month enjoyed a luncheon and had their pictures posted on the school FB page. We are super proud of our Cubs and the way they display the Tiger Cub traits: ready, responsible, and respectful.
 - 4th grade: Ariel Melton, Trenton Miller, Alaina Rink, Carter Nielson, Claire Bundy, Peytyn Jones
 - 5th grade: Michael Stockton, Raylynn Smith, Brooklyn Stebbings, Nadalyn Whitelow, Misha Pierce, Kaydence Kendrick

CJHS:

- Volleyball finished their season by placing 2nd in the regional tourney.
- Scholar Bowl finished 2nd at the Raccoon JV tournament. Zeb M. was named MVP of the tournament.
- Scholar Bowl won 3rd place at the Marion County Tournament. Karley S. was named to the all-tournament team.
- CJHS celebrated National School Breakfast Week
- Track is now underway.
- Jaxson H. was honored at Greenville University for being selected as the Illinois Principal's Association student of the year for CJHS.
- Tigers of the month were honored at an assembly.
- Tigers of the month were treated to a pizza party.
- IAR testing went well, and now we are conducting makeup tests for students that were absent during testing.
- CJHS band performed along with the CHS and KC bands in the Sound Spectacular at CHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION #22:

It was moved by Martin and seconded by Gross to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.


Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

MOTION #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
JOHNSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILLIAMS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BAUER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
MARTIN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
DODSON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GROSS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

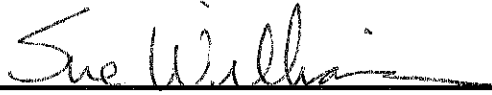
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JOHNSON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILLIAMS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
HARLAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BAUER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
MARTIN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
DODSON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GROSS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Sue Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED:



Ron Johnson, President



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