

Minutes for July 21, 2021 Central Decatur Board of Education Meeting

The Central Decatur Community School Board of Education met in regular session in the High School Library and via Google Meet on Wednesday, July 21, 2021.

Board members present: Amber Swartz, Cayle Buckingham, Cassy Allen, and Andrew Sullivan.

Board members absent: Jolene Petty

Others in attendance in person or electronically were: Chris Coffelt, Becky Broich, and three guests.

Board President Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

CONSENSUS ITEMS AND REPORTS:

The following consent items were approved:

- The agenda for July 21, 2021.
- Minutes of the previous meetings on June 26 & 23, 2021.
- Financial reports for the following funds for June: General, Management, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Activity, Scholarship, and Lunch.
Summary list of bills for July:
General Fund \$289,824.24; Activity Fund \$23,323.83; Lunch Fund \$10,129.73; PPEL Fund \$6,348.57; Capital Projects Fund \$62,791.41; Management Fund: \$96.12.
- Funds in the amount of \$2,250.76 will be transferred from the general fund to the lunch fund. This transfer provides the lunch fund with a portion of the federal COVID-19 funding (Education Stabilization Fund-Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II – ESSER II) for COVID-19 expenses incurred.
- Open enrollment applications were approved for two students to attend CD beginning the 2021-22 school year. The application met criteria to qualify for approval.
- The following fundraising requests were approved: Volleyball – Serving chicken dinners with Cater 2 U; Football – Serving chicken dinners with Cater 2 U and selling football apparel; and Football Cheerleading – Yeti Cooler Raffle

Motion to approve all items listed in Consensus Items and Reports by Allen, second by Buckingham.

ACTION ITEMS:

- The Board approved the following 2021-2022 Nutrition Services items.
 - Renewal of contracts through the Central Buying Consortium (CBC) with the following vendors: Large Market Basket: Martin Brothers; Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Market Basket: Loffredo; and, Dish Chemicals: Martin Brothers.
 - The bid for bread from Hy-Vee, Leon. This was the only bid received.
 - The bid for milk and related products from Anderson Erickson. This was the only bid received.

Motion by Buckingham, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.

- The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 fee schedule including: Activity admissions/passes, Driver's Ed, book rental, laptop deposit, band rental, class dues, and meals. All fees remained the same except the following:
 - Adult breakfast will increase to \$2.25 and adult lunches to \$4.25.

Motion by Allen, second by Sullivan to approve the fee schedule as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- The Board approved the following handbooks for 2021-22022: Employee, Elementary, Secondary, and Coaching/Advisor. **Motion** by Sullivan, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.
- The Board selected the following top four priorities for the District to submit to IASB for the upcoming 2022 Legislative session:

- Supplemental State Aid: At a rate that sufficiently supports local districts' efforts and by January 29, 2021.
- Mental Health: Establish comprehensive community mental health systems to offer preventative and treatment services and comprehensive school mental health programs.
- Teacher Recruitment and Licensure: Supports additional tools to attract individuals to the teaching profession.
- School Funding Policy: Supports a school foundation formula that provides sufficient and timely funding to meet education goals and equalizes per pupil funding.

Motion by Sullivan, second by Buckingham. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS cont'd:

- District Facility Projects:
 - The Board approved the purchase of custodial equipment including vacuums and auto floor scrubbers from Hillyard, contingent upon DE approval for single items that exceed \$5,000 utilizing ESSER II funds. **Motion** by Allen, second by Buckingham. Motion carried unanimously.
 - After discussion with Technology Director, Mark Huppert, the Board approved the purchase of four hundred laptop bags w/CD logo embroidery for grades seven-twelve laptops.
 - A work session to review facility project funding options with Matt Gillaspie of Piper Sandler is planned for Thursday, August 26, 2021.
- Personnel:
 - The Board accepted Zach Clark's resignation as Assistant Junior High Baseball Coach. **Motion** by Allen, second by Buckingham. Motion carried unanimously.
 - The following hires were approved: Steve Gilbert, Assistant High School Football Coach; Damon Helgevold, Assistant Junior High Football Coach; Larry Johnson, Secondary Business Teacher and FBLA Sponsor; and Mark West, Junior High Science Teacher. **Motion** by Allen, second by Buckingham. Motion carried, with Sullivan abstaining.
 - The Board was informed of the hire of Brent Muller as custodian at South Elementary.
- Transportation:
 - The Board awarded the bids for sale of busses to the following: Linda Eriksen – Bus 12, 2004 Thomas Freightliner for \$2,800 and Bus 15, 2005 Thomas Freightliner for \$2,800 and Stewart Everman – Bus 2, 2008 Thomas Freightliner for \$931. **Motion** by Allen, second by Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously
 - After review, Sullivan motioned to approve the purchase to replace the driver's education vehicle. Motion died for lack of a second.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Board Directors continued discussion for development of the 2021-2022 District, Board, and Superintendent goals, actions, and measures.
- Superintendent Coffelt highlighted some of the changes from the 2021 Legislative Session including Equity, Inclusion and Free Speech, Open Enrollment, Athletic Eligibility, and House File 847.
- Superintendent Coffelt highlighted the latest ESSER III requirements and guidance for school districts to prepare for the upcoming school year.
- Upcoming Dates:
 - a. Back to School Breakfast: Friday, August 20, 2021 at 8:00 am – Middle/High School Commons.
 - b. Work Session: Thursday, August 26, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. – High School Library/Google Meet.
 - c. Regular Meeting: Thursday, August 26, 2021 – 7:30 p.m. – High School Library/Google Meet.

Buckingham moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Second by Allen.

Amber Swartz, President

Becky Broich, Board Secretary