

## Minutes for August 9, 2022 Central Decatur Board of Education Meeting

The Central Decatur Community School Board of Education met in regular session in the High School Library on Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

Board members present: Cassy Allen, Amber Swartz, Sean Saxton and Andy Sullivan.

Board members absent: Nick Tharp

Others in attendance: Chris Coffelt, Becky Broich, Amy Whittington, Dan Johnson, and one guest.

Board President Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

### CONSENSUS ITEMS AND REPORTS:

The following consent items were approved:

- The agenda for August 9, 2022.
- Minutes of the previous meeting on July 19, 2022.
- Financial reports for the following funds for July 2022: General, Management, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Partial-Self Insurance Fund, Activity, Scholarship, and Lunch.  
Summary list of bills for August:  
General Fund \$83,807.21; Activity Fund \$21,586.20; Lunch Fund \$1,180.72; PPEL Fund \$1,393.00; Capital Projects Fund \$245,043.99.
- Funds in the amount of \$22,000 will be transferred from the general fund to the capital projects fund and \$18,160.82 from capital projects to the general fund. This transfer reallocates the grant revenue and expenses to the capital projects fund for Ag classes livestock facility and fruit orchard.
- There were no open enrollment applications.
- The following fundraising request was approved: Flag Corps – Sell tattoos, CD mini-footballs, and beads.  
**Motion** to approve all items listed in Consensus Items and Reports listed above by Allen, second by Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously.

### LEARNING LINK:

Nutrition Services Director Joy Evertsen talked about the celebrations and challenges in the nutrition services program. Increasing costs and shortages have continued to be huge challenges the past year. The nutrition services program has been able to serve local pork and produce made possible by animal class students farrowing pigs and plant science students planting raised garden beds and the greenhouse. Other than the daily meals, the Cardinal Café Staff are always busy providing snacks for the Cardinal Muscle Program, fresh produce snack to grades PK-6<sup>th</sup> made possible from the Fresh Fruit and Veggie Grant, prepping several food items for concessions, catered prom and other banquets, and fixed meals for some of the sports teams for away games, to name a few. On average, over 317 breakfasts and over 497 lunches are prepared and served every day during the school year.

### ACTION ITEMS:

- Superintendent Coffelt informed the Board that redoing the roofs at South Elementary, North Elementary, and North Elementary gym has been completed with a total project cost of \$205,502. The Board approved the purchase of a 2022 Thomas 77 passenger bus and to complete the EPA Clean School Bus Rebate Program application. This program will replace 2010 edition or older diesel-powered buses with electric buses and includes paying for the electric panels and charging infrastructure units.
- 2022-2023 Agreements Approved:
  - The annual rental agreement with SCIT in the amount of \$3,000 was approved. This agreement supports the performance and practices for fall/spring plays. **Motion** by Allen, second by Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously.
  - An agreement with Imagine Learning which will provide an online teacher for seventh grade science and high school biology. **Motion** by Sullivan, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.
- The District is required to appoint a Level 1 and Level 2 Investigator. Brian Carson will serve as District Level 1 Investigator, with Kerry Welch to serve as the alternate at the elementary and Kim Elsberry serving as the alternate for the secondary. The Decatur County Sheriff's Department will serve as the Level 2 Investigative Agency. The District Equity Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator are identified as the District Human Resources Director – Becca Crouch. The board approved the Level 1 and 2 Investigators and the District Equity and Title IX Coordinator as referenced above. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously.

#### ACTION ITEMS CONT'D:

- Personnel:
  - The Board approved the hire of Cody Ferguson as Assistant High School Baseball Coach. **Motion** by Allen, second by Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Coby Bates has been hired as a custodian.
- The Board approved the first reading of the following board policies: 800 Series – Buildings & Sites, 900 Series – Community Relations, and 105 – Assistance Animals. **Motion** by Saxton, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Recognitions: The following organizations have recently awarded grants to the District:
  - Decatur County Community Foundation/SCICF: \$8,000 for softball batting cage improvements.
  - DEKKO \$4,763 + Decatur County Community Foundation/SCICF \$5,000 for Studio 50144, which will provide a sound/recording studio in the music room at the Middle/High School.
  - GRM Networks \$10,000 + Decatur County Community Foundation/SCICF \$5,000 + ROCCS \$7,000 for the CD Ag classes livestock facility and fruit orchard. A number of local contractors also provided support for this project including: Keeney Fencing, DCLI, Porter Electric, and Ideal Ready Mix.Board Directors expressed appreciation for the investments each of the individuals, businesses, and agencies has made to Central Decatur.
- Upcoming Dates:
  - a. Back to School Breakfast: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 8:00 a.m. – High School Commons
  - b. Regular Meeting: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 7:15 p.m. - High School Library.

The board entered into closed session at 8:54 p.m. per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) - To Evaluate the Professional Competency of an Individual for the Superintendent evaluation. **Motion** by Saxton, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: Ayes: Allen, Sullivan, Swartz, and Saxton. Nays: None.

The board resumed open session at 9:14 p.m. Allen moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:14 p.m. Second by Saxton.

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Amber Swartz, President

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Becky Broich, Board Secretary