

## Minutes for July 19, 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 Wednesday, July 19, 2022.

Board members present: Cassy Allen, Amber Swartz, Sean Saxton and Andy Sullivan. Nick Tharp joined the Board after action item D.1. – Board Vacancy.

Board members absent: None

Others in attendance: Chris Coffelt, Becky Broich, and one guest.

Board President Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m.

### CONSENSUS ITEMS AND REPORTS:

The following consent items were approved:

- The agenda for July 19, 2022 was amended to move information item E.1 – Education and Healthcare Registered Apprenticeship Grants to action item D.10.
- Minutes of the previous meetings on June 15 and July 6, 2022.
- Financial reports for the following funds for June 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 July:  
General Fund \$366,547.15; Activity Fund \$20,884.59; Lunch Fund \$3,812.43; PPEL Fund \$11,610.47; Capital Projects Fund \$13,760.
- Funds in the amount of \$7,070.92 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.
- Funds in the amount of \$80,495 will be transferred from the general fund to the capital projects fund to allocate ESSER II funds for the approved purchase of a 2019 seventy-seven passenger Thomas bus.
- There were no open enrollment applications.
- The following fundraising requests were approved: Central Trail FFA – sell fruit, meat, cheese, etc. and hog raffle; Football – sell clothing; Cardinal Dance Team – Overnighter in HS gym/commons and babysitting services for Parents Night Out; Volleyball – Thelma’s meal.

**Motion** to approve all items listed in Consensus Items and Reports listed above by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously.

### ACTION ITEMS:

- The Board voted to appoint Nick Tharp to fill the vacancy for Director District 3 until November 2023. The vote was unanimous: Swartz, Sullivan, Allen, and Saxton voting for Tharp. The oath of office was administered to Nick.
- The Board approved the Construction Manager as Adviser Agreement with Estes Construction for any projects that develop as a part of our master facilities strategic plan. **Motion** by Saxton, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.
- The Board approved the following 2022-2023 Nutrition Services items.
  - Renewal of contracts through the Central Buying Consortium (CBC) with the following vendors: Martin Brothers – food and supplies and chemicals for dish and cleaning and Loffredo – produce.
  - The bid for milk and related products from Anderson Erickson. This was the only bid received.
  - The bid for bread from Hy-Vee, Leon. This was the only bid received.
  - The bid for bottled water for ala carte from Leon Hardware and Appliances

**Motion** by Sullivan, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously.

- The Board reviewed the 2022-2023 fee schedule including: Activity admissions/passes, Driver’s Ed, book rental, laptop deposit, band rental, class dues, and meals. The following fees increased:
  - Activity admissions for non CD students: Varsity \$5, JV and JH \$3.  
Activity passes: Adult - \$45 for 12-punch pass and \$100 for an annual pass; College student (recent graduate within four years) - \$40 for 12-punch pass and \$60 for an annual pass.
  - The Keep Kids Fed Act provides a three-month extension of universal free school meals. The following prices are for second meals and when the act expires: Student Breakfast \$2; South Elem lunch \$3; North Elem lunch \$3.15; MSHS lunch \$3.25; Adult breakfast \$2.50 and adult lunch \$4.50.
  - Book rental K-12: \$45 per student with \$120 family max.

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

#### ACTION ITEMS CONT'D:

- The Board approved the following handbooks for 2022-2023: Employee, Elementary, Secondary, and Coaching/Advisor. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously.
- The Board selected the following top four priorities for the District to submit to IASB for the upcoming 2023 Legislative session:
  - School Funding Policy: Provides sufficient and timely funding to meet education goals.
  - 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.
  - Opposes the use of taxpayer funds for the creation of vouchers or educational savings accounts. Ensure public dollars are used for public education.**Motion** by Allen, second by Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously.
- District Facility Projects:
  - Superintendent Coffelt updated the Board on the progress of the redoing the roofs at South Elementary, North Elementary, and North Elementary gym. Weather permitting, the project should be completed the first week of August. The basketball shot clocks have been installed but still need wired. No action taken.
- Personnel:
  - The Board approved the hire of Calieb Kister as Head HS Girls Basketball Coach. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously.
  - The Board approved the hire of Nick Tharp as Assistant HS Football Coach. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried, with Tharp abstaining.
  - The Board approved the resignation of Gary Hayworth as Assistant Golf and JH Boys Basketball. **Motion** by Saxton, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Lauren Palmer, Bailey Miller, and Cathy Cooper have been hired as paraeducators. Lesley Cook has resigned as a cook.
  - Substitute teacher pay will increase from \$115 per day to \$125 per day. **Motion** by Saxton, second by Allen. Motion carried unanimously.
- The Board approved the second reading of the 700 series of board policy regarding: Non-instructional Operations and Business Services and board policy 549 – Co-Curricular Activities. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously. Cassy will meet with Chris and Becky to review the next series of policies.
- The Board approved SWCC and Graceland University as educational partners for the Teacher and Paraeducator Registered Apprenticeship Program and the completion of the Memorandum of Understanding listing them as such. This grant provides opportunities for current high school students and adult paraeducators to earn credentials all while learning and working in the classroom.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Upcoming Dates:
  - a. Regular Meeting: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 7:15 p.m. - High School Library.
  - b. Joint Board Work Session with Lamoni Board of Education – to be determined.

The board entered into closed session at 8:42 p.m. per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) - To Evaluate the Professional Competency of an Individual for the Superintendent evaluation. **Motion** by Allen, second by Saxton. Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: Ayes: Allen, Sullivan, Swartz, Saxton, and Tharp. Nays: None.

The board resumed open session at 9:15 p.m. Saxton moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Second by Allen.

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Amber Swartz, President

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Becky Broich, Board Secretary