

Central Montcalm Public School
Board of Education Meeting
August 22, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Bowen in the High School Media Center on August 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Doug Bowen, Roxanne Switzer, Mike Barnwell, Chris Wetherington, Joe Kohn and Todd Giles.

Absent: Bill Simpson.

The organizational and regular meeting minutes of July 18, 2011 were approved as submitted. Mr. Steven Lampe requested a meeting of the Finance Committee in order to determine expectations.

Motion by Kohn, supported by Wetherington, that the general fund and debt retirement bills from July 16, 2011 through August 19, 2011, in the amount of \$1,036,962.74 be approved. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Superintendent Helms briefly reviewed the calendar of upcoming events. President Bowen inquired as to communications from the public. Principals in attendance shared some of their reports on activities at their respective buildings.

Motion by Kohn, supported by Barnwell, that the consent agenda be approved. The Consent Agenda includes:

1. To accept the resignation and retirement of Wayne Robinson, effective August 31, 2011.
2. To accept the resignation and retirement of Kathryn Betts from her position of Director of Community Education, effective July 31, 2011.
3. To accept the resignation of Jamie Hopkins from her position of classroom teacher, effective August 31, 2011.
4. To recall Jennifer Craft as a probationary teacher, effective the 2011-2012 school year.
5. To consider the request of Ruth Coston for an extension of a medical leave through September 16, 2011, under the provisions of the Support Staff Agreement and FMLA.
6. To approve the extension of the 2010-2011 CM Elementary Student Handbook to 2011-2012.
7. To approve the extension of the 2010-2011 CM High School Student Handbook to 2011-2012.
8. To approve the extension of the 2010-2011 CM High School Athletic Code to 2011-2012.

Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Switzer, supported by Giles, that the Board of Education adopt the Cooperative Services Agreement with the Montcalm Area ISD, effective November 14, 2011, through June 30, 2012; and authorize administration to participate wherever it is deemed in the best interests of the Central Montcalm Public School District. Those in favor 6, opposed 0.

Motion by Switzer, supported by Kohn, that the Board of Education approve the Medical Paraprofessional job description as proposed; and authorizes the establishment of a new classification with the CMESPA Agreement. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

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The Board received the annual communication from Abraham & Gaffney, the District's auditors.

Superintendent Helms shared a brief summary of the "Best Practices" initiative. He concluded that more would follow.

Superintendent reminded the Board that they were invited to participate in the Homecoming Parade scheduled for September 15 at 6:00 p.m., in Sheridan.

Superintendent will compile some of the goals discussed at the previous meeting for review at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Roxanne Switzer
Secretary