

Central Montcalm Public School
Board of Education Meeting
Minutes of December 19, 2011

The regular meeting of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Simpson in the Media Center at the CM High School on December 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

The regular meeting minutes of November 14, 2011, were approved as submitted. The Treasurer's Report for the month ended November 30, 2011, was approved. Motion by Wetherington, supported by Kohn, to ratify the payment of bills from November 11 – December 14, 2011, in the amount of 1,371,916.27. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Vice President Simpson acknowledged the civic service of Mr. Joe Kohn and Mr. Chris Wetherington.

Vice President Simpson reviewed the calendar and invited any comment from the public. No comments received.

Student athletes were recognized. Ms. Kristi Teall presented a brief summary on the "*Impact of New Cut Scores.*" Everyone was enthralled. Ms. Nicole Humphrey elaborated on her successes in advancing our students in the High School.

Motion by Simpson, supported by Barnwell, that Item #1 be tabled until the regular meeting in January. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Kohn, supported by Barnwell, that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- ~~1. To employ Chris Wetherington as the Varsity Baseball Coach, effective January 3, 2012, subject to criminal background and unprofessional conduct checks.~~
2. To ratify the request of Jenne Cogswell for an unpaid medical leave of absence November 18-December 18, 2011, under the provisions of Article 10 of the Support Staff Agreement.
3. To approve the request of Darlene Simpson for an unpaid leave of absence beginning January 9-13, 2012, under the provisions of Article 10 of the support staff agreement.
4. To approve the request of Phil Gibbons for an unpaid leave of absence beginning February 1, 2012.

Those in favor 5, opposed 0. Motion carried. Mr. Simpson abstained from voting.

Mr. Steven Lampe presented the Board with a summary of the Proposal received for custodial and grounds services.

Motion by Wetherington, supported by Giles, that the Board of Education reviewed a proposal for custodial and grounds services, in accordance with specifications provided by Central Montcalm Public School; and

Be it further resolved that the Board reject the proposal at this time; yet encourage administration to explore administration to explore this service for Fiscal Year 2012-2013. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Board conducted a first review of the amended school-sponsored publications and productions policy, #5722.

The Board had a brief discussion on the search process for the position of Superintendent. Superintendent Helms shared some projected costs if the District opts to utilize a consultant. Superintendent Helms offered his assistance in coordination of effort to conduct the search in-house. Vice President Simpson volunteered to chair a Superintendent Search Committee.

Motion by Giles, supported by Kohn, that the Board enter into executive session at 7:35 p.m. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Wetherington, supported by Switzer, that the Board return to regular meeting at 7:53 p.m. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Switzer, supported by Giles, that the Board approve the administrative recommendation, that said minor student be expelled for the remainder of the school year. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Giles, supported by Kohn, that the Board enter into executive session at 7:55 p.m. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

President Bowen arrived at 8:08 p.m.

Motion by Switzer, supported by Barnwell, that the Board return to regular meeting at 8:40 p.m. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Kohn, supported by Giles, that the Board approve the administrative recommendation, that said minor student be expelled for the remainder of the school year. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Roxanne Switzer,
Secretary

