

Central Montcalm Public School  
Board of Education Meeting  
Minutes of January 14, 2015

The organizational meeting of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by Interim Superintendent Meinhardt in the Media Center at the Central Montcalm High School on January 14, 2015 at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Present: Simpson, Giles, Collins, Rogers, Grossbauer, Bowen and Ryan.

Absent: None.

Interim Superintendent Meinhardt opened the floor for nominations for the office of President.

Motion by Rogers, supported by Grossbauer, that William Simpson be nominated.

Motion by Rogers, supported by Bowen, that nominations be closed. Yeas: Bowen, Collins, Ryan, Grossbauer, Rogers, and Giles. Abstained: Simpson. Nays: None. Mr. William Simpson is duly declared elected as President of the Central Montcalm Board of Education.

Interim Superintendent Meinhardt passed the gavel to President Simpson.

President Simpson opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice President.

Motion by Collins, supported by Ryan, that Todd Giles be nominated.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Rogers, that nominations be closed. Yeas: Bowen, Collins, Ryan, Grossbauer, Rogers and Simpson. Abstained: Giles. Mr. Todd Giles is duly declared elected as Vice President of the Central Montcalm Board of Education.

President Simpson opened the floor for nominations for the office of Secretary.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Giles, that Bill Collins be nominated. Motion by Rogers, supported by Giles, that nominations be closed. Yeas: Bowen, Ryan, Grossbauer, Rogers, Giles and Simpson. Abstained: Collins. Mr. Bill Collins is duly declared elected as Secretary of the Central Montcalm Board of Education.

President Simpson opened the floor for nominations for the office of Treasurer.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Giles, that Jim Rogers be nominated. Motion by Giles, supported by Grossbauer, that nominations be closed. Yeas: Bowen, Ryan, Grossbauer, Giles and Simpson. Abstained: Rogers. Mr. Jim Rogers is duly declared elected as Treasurer of the Central Montcalm Board of Education.

Mr. Ron Simon introduced Mr. Jesse Nelson of Umbaugh and Associates, who reviewed process for the 2015 Refunding Bonds, benefiting the district by lowering the millage rate. Mr. Ron Simon then introduced Mr. Matt Hiser of Thrun Lawfirm, who reviewed some more pertinent details of the Refunding Bond process. The District will take receipt of the Bonds on February 10, 2015.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Giles, that the Board of Education of the Central Montcalm Public School District approve the resolution approving the Bond Purchase Agreement in the aggregate principal sum of \$10,460,000; and that the Interim Superintendent be authorized to execute the Bond Purchase Agreement on behalf of the District (said resolution and is incorporated herein by reference.) Those in favor: 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the committee structure.

Motion by Rogers to adopt a four-committee structure. Motion did not pass due to lack of support.

It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with a three-committee structure.

President Simpson established a School Improvement Committee, as follows: Brandy Ryan, Chairperson, together with Bill Collins and Todd Giles.

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President Simpson established a Board Finance Committee, as follows: Bill Simpson, Chairperson, together with ~~Todd Giles~~ and Bill Collins. (Correction –insert “Jim Rogers.”)

President Simpson established an Board Operations Committee, as follows: Mark Grossbauer, Chairperson, together with Brennan Bowen and Todd Giles.

Collins introduced discussion concerning the regular meeting schedule. It was the consensus of the Board to revert to meeting on Monday evenings.

Motion by Collins, supported by Rogers, that the regular meetings of the Board of Education be scheduled for Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Organizational meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Central Montcalm Public School District was convened at 7:45 p.m.

The regular meeting minutes of December 17, 2014 and the special meeting minutes of January 7, 2015 were approved as submitted. The Board accepted the finance report for the period ended December 31, 2014. Motion by Collins, supported by Giles, that the payment of General Fund and debt retirement bills from December 12, 2014 to January 11, 2015, in the amount of \$439,427.19. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Interim Superintendent Meinhardt reviewed the calendar of events.

President Simpson indicated that Mrs. O’Connor withdrew her request for an unpaid day.

Motion by Giles, supported by Grossbauer, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda, as follows:

1. To accept a resignation received of David Clay, from his Assistant Football Coach position, effective December 30, 2014.
2. To consider a request of Brad Hansen for an unpaid leave for February 23-28, 2015.
- ~~3. To consider a request of Autumn O’Connor for an unpaid leave for one day, April 2, 2015.~~
4. To ratify the request of Lisa Clark for an extension of an unpaid leave November 17-21, December 5-19, 2014.
5. To ratify the non-renewal of Christa Wright’s coaching contract, effective December 30, 2014.

Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Board received a recommendation from the Finance Committee to offer a stipend to Interim Superintendent Meinhardt to be added to her current contract.

Motion by Collins, supported by Rogers, that the Board of Education approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Amy Meinhardt for Interim Superintendent Services, effective December 10, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Those in favor: 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Board discussed moving forward with the selection of a Superintendent of Schools. It was the consensus of the Board to begin the search process with the whole Board.

Interim Superintendent Meinhardt was requested to put together a list of roles and responsibilities for the Superintendent and central office. A special meeting was established on Monday, January 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of reviewing needs and options.

The Board requested that Interim Superintendent Meinhardt research options in updating Board terms for existing trustees.

Meeting adjourned.

Bill Collins  
Secretary

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