

Central Montcalm Public School
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2016

The regular meeting of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Simpson in the High School Media Center on Monday, January 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

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

The regular meeting minutes of December 16, 2015, be approved as submitted. The Finance Report for the period ended December 31, 2015, was approved.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Collins, that the general fund and debt retirement bills from December 15, 2015 through January 13, 2016, in the amount of \$494,508.02, be approved. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Director Milewski shared information on the new M-STEP 2015 scores. The professional staff is continually working to keep pace with the dramatic advancements in K-12 education.

Mr. Buddy Huyler, Senior Project Manager of Tower Pinkster, shared a preliminary report on the overall findings of their initial review of the district's infrastructure (copies of summary documents were distributed.)

President Simpson acknowledged the Consent Agenda, Trustee Rogers requested that Item #3 be removed for separate consideration.

Motion by Ryan, supported by Collins, that the Consent Agenda items with the exception of Item #3, be approved, as follows:

1. To accept the resignation of Susan Koster from her position of Elementary Principal, effective June 30, 2016.
2. To accept the resignation of Pamela Rogers from her position of Business Specialist, effective June 30, 2016.
- ~~3. To approve the request of Brad Hansen for a leave without pay March 20-22, 2016.~~
4. To ratify a social work services agreement with Marlene Kuzee, MA, LMSW, PLLC, for the remainder of this school year.
5. To approve the District's slots to the Early College Program at four eligible students.
6. To employ Holly Huff as a part-time bus driver, contingent upon the unprofessional conduct and criminal history checks.

Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Collins, supported by Grossbauer, that the Board consider Item #3 separately, as follows:

Item #3. To approve the request of Brad Hansen for a leave without pay March 20-22, 2016.
Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

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Motion by Collins, supported by Ryan, that the Board approve the request of Brad Hansen for a leave without pay March 20-22, 2016. Roll call vote: Yes, Collins, Bowen, Simpson, Grossbauer, Rogers and Ryan. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mark Grossbauer of the Operations Committee informed the Board that they had selected three firms to interview, all with excellent qualifications; however, three factors set one apart from the others, i.e., more than one superintendent on site, use of local subcontractors, and more importantly, their pre-bond services.

Motion by Collins, supported by Ryan, that the Board of Education award a contract for construction management services to Granger Construction in accordance with the recommendations of the Operations Committee; and authorize the Superintendent to enter into a Letter of Intent for services. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Board received the proposed timeline for the Upper Elementary Principal search.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Collins, that the Board of Education approve the administrative recommendation in connection with Student #2018743; for a 180-day expulsion. Those in favor 6, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Collins inquired into the prospect of funding a class field trip. It was the general consensus of the board that they would consider it, on a year-by-year basis.

Superintendent Meinhardt informed the Board that we may have to schedule another meeting of the Board each month due to the necessary business decisions involved in the pre bond process. It was the consensus of the Board that Mondays or Thursdays might be mutually convenient.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Collins
Secretary