

Central Montcalm Public School  
Board of Education Meeting  
Minutes of May 21, 2014

The regular meeting of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Switzer in the High School Media Center on May 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mark Grossbauer, Roxanne Switzer, Jim Rogers, Todd Giles, Bill Collins and Bill Simpson.  
Absent: Mike Barnwell.

The regular meeting minutes of April 16, 2014 were approved. The Finance Report for the month ended April 30, 2014, was approved.

Motion by Rogers, supported by Collins, to ratify the payment of bills from April 12 to May 15, 2014 in the amount of \$567,593.36. Roll call vote: Yeas: Giles, Switzer, Collins, Simpson, Grossbauer and Rogers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged the calendar of events. Nancy Valenta voiced an opinion concerning the effects of privatization, if it were ever implemented in the district. Molly Ehle voiced concerns with staffing, if privatization were ever implemented in the district.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Rogers, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda:

1. To employ Lisa Clark as a part-time paraprofessional, effective April 14, 2014, contingent upon criminal background and unprofessional conduct checks.
2. To ratify the request of Haley Dawe for a medical leave beginning April 24, 2014, under Article 10 of the Master Agreement and FMLA.
3. To approve the request of Shauna Thompson for an unpaid leave beginning May 28, 29 and 30, 2014.
4. To accept the resignation of Alan Dawe from his JV Basketball Coach position, effective April 21, 2014.
5. To employ David Clay as an Assistant Football Coach, effective May 21, 2014, contingent upon criminal background and unprofessional conduct checks.
6. To employ John Johnson as Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective May 21, 2014.
7. To employ Rob Putnam as Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach, effective May 21, 2014.
8. To employ Justin Brackenbury as a bus driver, effective May 21, 2014.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Giles Switzer, Collins, Simpson, Grossbauer and Rogers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Rogers, WHEREAS, that the Board received the ISD General Fund Operating Budget on or before May 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 380.624 of the revised school code, this Board must now adopt a resolution expressing its support or disapproval of the proposed ISD budget, and must submit to the ISD Board and specific objections and/or proposed changes the Board may have to the budget prior to June 1, 2014.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the ISD General Fund Operating Budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year be supported; and that the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to submit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the ISD Board of Education, along with any specific objections and/or proposed changes to the budget. Roll call vote: Yeas: Grossbauer, Rogers, Giles Switzer, Collins, and Simpson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Teall reported that she would be meeting with Finance Director Simon on Thursday morning to review the proposed operating budget for 2014-2015.

Superintendent Teall reported that the review of the proposals submitted in response to the District's RFP's determined that the District is clearly being responsible in its ability to deliver non-instructional services at a reasonable cost.

Motion by Simpson, supported by Collins, that the Board of Education reject all bids for non-instructional services, in accordance with specifications provided by Central Montcalm Public Schools for FY 2014-2015. Roll call vote: Yeas: Grossbauer, Rogers, Giles Switzer, Collins, and Simpson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rogers clarified the Board's responsibility in the RFP process and the relevance in meeting funding revenue for the District. Grossbauer noted that it would be a disservice to the district if the Board did not seriously consider proposals and current costs.

Superintendent Teall reported on several proposals received for a permanent digital sign for the District.

Grossbauer voiced an interest in coordinating a "Candidate Workshop" sometime in mid- to late June. He would invite members of the Board to join him in hosting a workshop outlining expectations of Board members and timelines for the election process. Members of the Board were receptive.

Motion by Simpson, supported by Grossbauer that the Board of Education extend the school administrator employment contracts with the following individuals by one year: Susan Koster, Anthony Petersen, Tom Torok and Amy Meinhardt; and

Be it further resolved, that the Board renew the employment contracts with the following individuals by one year: Harvey Shick, Amy Main, Valerie Conklin, Mark Kimball and John Kearney. Roll call vote: Yeas: Grossbauer, Rogers, Switzer, Collins, and Simpson. Nays: Giles. Motion carried.

The Board received a proposed CMHS Student Activity Handbook for introduction.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Giles, that the Board enter into executive session to conduct a final evaluation with the Superintendent. Roll call vote: Yeas: Giles Switzer, Collins, Simpson, Grossbauer and Rogers. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Motion by Grossbauer, supported by Giles, that the Board of Education return to regular session. Roll call vote: Yeas: Giles, Switzer, Collins, Simpson, Grossbauer and Rogers. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 8:46 p.m.

President Switzer shared that the Board has determined to hire an Interim Superintendent by July 1, 2014; and that an ad-hoc committee for the Superintendent Search be established. The Committee will be Switzer, Grossbauer and Rogers with Giles as an alternate, and that the Board intends to conduct an expedited search for a Superintendent, anticipate taking office on September 1, 2014.

Motion by Collins, supported by Grossbauer, that the Board accept the resignation of Kristi Teall from the Superintendent position and all associated responsibilities, effective June 30, 2014, pursuant to Policy #4140. Roll call vote. Yeas: Giles Switzer, Collins, Grossbauer and Rogers. Nays: None. Abstained: Simpson. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Collins, Secretary