

CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
July 17, 2014

MINUTES

Board of School Trustees of the Center Grove Community School Corporation met in regular session beginning at 7:05 p.m. on Thursday, July 17, 2014, in the Board Room at the Education Service Center, 4800 West Stones Crossing Road, Greenwood, Indiana.

Board members present:

Scott Alexander, President	<u>X</u>
Carol Tumey, Vice President	<u>X</u>
Adam Norman, Secretary	<u>X</u>
Rob Richards, Member	<u>X</u>
Jack Russell, Member	<u>X</u>

Also present:

Rich Arkanoff, Superintendent	<u>X</u>
Bill Long, Assistant Superintendent	<u>X</u>
Sally Hacker, Human Resources Director	<u>X</u>
Paul Gabriel, Chief Financial Officer	<u>X</u>

Doug Bird, Center Grove High School Principal
Ray Jackson, Center Grove Chief of Police
Rick Pederson, Director of Transportation
Dave Statler, Facilities Engineer

Other Guests:

Matt Green, CGEF Board of Directors
Erin Dunn-Vance, CGEF Board of Directors
Carla Johnson, CGEF Executive Director
Jill Johnson, CGEF Board of Directors

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Scott Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Alexander led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

It was recommended that the agenda for the July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Board be approved as presented.

Motion by Norman seconded by Russell vote 5-0

4. RECOGNITION / PRESENTATIONS

Center Grove Education Foundation (the Foundation) executive director Carla Johnson provided a presentation regarding the Foundation's commitment to help fund the REACH Program (Through Remediation and Enrichment, Achievement Can Happen) for Center Grove schools.

On behalf of the Foundation board of directors and many supporters, Mrs. Johnson, Foundation board president Matt Green and fellow board members Erin Dunn-Vance and Jill Johnson presented president Alexander with a ceremonial check in the amount of \$60,000 to help fund the 2014 REACH Program. This is the largest donation in the history of the Foundation.

Vice president Carol Tumey suggested a letter be written to the Foundation's board thanking them for their outstanding contribution to Center Grove.

Board member Jack Russell expressed his appreciation to the Foundation for their hard work in raising these funds.

President Alexander also expressed his gratitude to the Foundation board.

Superintendent Rich Arkanoff expressed his appreciation to the Foundation for all they do and believes the REACH Program will be great for kids and will help families out during intercessions.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

The following individual(s) registered their intention to participate in the public portion of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting and addressed the Board accordingly:

Marlene West, (6500 W Road 375 N, Bargersville, IN) president of the Center Grove Transportation Advisory Council spoke on behalf of the transportation department's recent safety training program that took place during three additional work days required due to snow days.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

It was recommended that the following Consent Agenda items be approved as presented: Approval of Minutes (6/19/2014 Regular Meeting/Executive Session), Personnel Report, Claims (Accounts Payable and Payroll) and Declaration of Surplus Equipment.

Motion by Richards seconded by Norman vote 5-0

7. ACTION ITEMS

Acceptance of Donation

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board accept the following donation as listed and documented:

\$60,000 - Center Grove Education Foundation for REACH Program

Motion by Norman seconded by Russell vote 5-0

Approve 2014-2015 Transportation Handbook Changes

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve the 2014-2015 Transportation Handbook changes.

Assistant superintendent Dr. Bill Long presented changes to the Transportation Handbook. Director of transportation Rick Pederson and transportation advisory council (TAC) members Marlene West and Mary Fran Guilfoxy worked on the handbook. Input was received by all bus drivers and the council is in full agreement with the changes. At the request of board member Rob Richards, General Rules #6 was added.

Motion by Tumey seconded by Richards vote 5-0

Board member Richards thanked Marlene West, Mary Fran Guilfoxy and the TAC for all their work on the handbook and commended the council on creating a clear and concise document.

Vice president Tumey commented that this is a very inclusive document; focused on safety and addressing issues not previously in the transportation handbook. She commended the TAC for their work and expressed her appreciation for all the work bus drivers and Mr. Pederson do for the safety of students.

Secretary Adam Norman understands how much work goes into writing policies/procedures and appreciates all the work and thought put into the handbook.

8. REPORTS

High School Programming Committee

Center Grove high school principal Doug Bird presented a report on the high school programming committee. Committee participants include high school students, parents, teachers and administrators, as well as other corporation administrators. Over the past year, the committee had quality conversations about programming at the high school and created eleven (11) significant goals in five (5) focus areas (College and Career Readiness: Above & Beyond, College and Career Readiness: Struggling Learners, College and Career Readiness: Whole Person, Communication, and Student Connectivity).

Police Department Update

Dr. Long presented a report on the Center Grove police department. The report provided a summary of police department runs, arrests and training that occurred over the past three (3) years.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Board members and superintendent Arkanoff provided the following updates:

Vice President Tumey

- Central Nine Career Center - Information was provided to board members: Partnerships, Pathways and Pipelines brochure, goals for 2014-2015, Indiana Nursery & Landscape Association article, grant overview and organizational chart.
- Athletic Booster Club - Membership forms are available.

Vice president Tumey took this opportunity to provide an overview of the recently attended Indiana School Board Association (ISBA) Summary Academy and commented on a July 16 Daily Journal article featuring Center Grove graduate Katie (Tewell) Brinker.

Secretary Norman

- Policies - Recently attended ISBA law seminar. Meeting with NEOLA representative on August 13.

Board Member Russell

- Center Grove Education Foundation - Annual retreat August 16.

Board Member Richards

- Bargersville Planning Commission - Continuing to rewrite zoning ordinances.
- Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (provided by superintendent Arkanoff) - ISO performance November 2 at the high school; sponsored in conjunction with Greenwood Arts Council.

Superintendent Arkanoff

- Strategic Planning Committee - CG100 meeting September 9. Input received from stakeholders will be used to guide our strategic planning process. White River Township Rotary presentation on the CG100 will take place July 30.

Superintendent Arkanoff took this opportunity to comment on the "Rise Above the Mark" (riseabovethemark.com) documentary, which will help people understand school funding and how the school funding formula has been impacted by the State. A special showing of the documentary is tentatively scheduled for October 29.

Approve Contract for Auditorium Services

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board authorize the superintendent to negotiate and sign a contract with New 5 Media for auditorium services for the 2014-2015 school year.

Director of human resources Sally Hacker shared that over the past several years, Center Grove has employed a part-time employee as the auditorium manager at the high school. Based on the time requirements and the need for a flexible schedule, it is recommended the part-time position be dropped in order to enter into an 11-month contract for auditorium services.

Point of clarification for president Alexander: Mr. Bird will delegate an administrator to oversee the hours and jobs requested. Details of the contract are still being reviewed.

Motion by Russell seconded by Norman vote 5-0

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Alexander made the following announcements:

- July 25 - Opening Day Celebration
- July 29 - First Day of School

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2014.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to bring before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.