

CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
August 18, 2016

MINUTES

The Board of School Trustees of the Center Grove Community School Corporation met in regular session beginning at 7:02 p.m. on Thursday, August 18, 2016, in the Large Group Instruction/Cafeteria at North Grove Elementary School, 3280 West Fairview Road, Greenwood, Indiana.

Board members present:

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

Also present:

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

Allison Chance, Coordinator of Special Education
Stacy Conrad, Director of Communications
Nora Hoover, Assistant Director Secondary Curriculum
Scott Johnson, Center Grove Middle School North Principal
Tracy McMahan, Center Grove High School Assistant Principal
Jack Parker, Director of Teaching & Learning
Brian Proctor, North Grove Elementary School Principal
Ron Siner, North Grove Elementary School Assistant Principal
Marcy Szostak, Assistant Director Elementary Curriculum
Jason Taylor, Chief Technology Officer

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Adam Norman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

President Norman took this opportunity to express his gratitude to principal Brian Proctor and the staff of North Grove Elementary School for hosting tonight's board meeting. The board may continue to meet at different locations in an effort to reach out into the community.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Center Grove Middle School North student Macy Detty led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Norman presented Macy with a certificate for her participation.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It was recommended that the agenda for the August 18, 2016 regular meeting of the board be amended to remove one (1) report item:

- Center Grove Police Department Update

Motion by Richards seconded by Alexander vote 5-0

President Norman noted the Executive Session would reconvene at the end of the meeting.

IV. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Spotlight on Learning-Academics & Professional Learning Communities

This evening's Spotlight on Learning featured the Teaching and Learning department. Director of teaching and learning Dr. Jack Parker presented information on the launch of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) throughout Center Grove. By providing additional collaboration time through participation in PLCs, Center Grove teachers will be able to better meet the learning needs of all students.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

It was recommended that the following Consent Items be approved as presented: Approval of Minutes (7/21/2016 Executive Session and Regular Meeting), Personnel Report, Accounts Payable and Payroll Claims, and Field Trip Report.

Motion by Russell seconded by Tumey vote 5-0

President Norman took this opportunity to comment on the Personnel Report. Assistant superintendent Sally Hacker will be retiring effective October 1, 2016. On behalf of the board, he expressed his sincere appreciation for all her service since 1981. As a teacher, building principal and central office administrator, Mrs. Hacker has had a significant impact on the students and staff members at Center Grove.

Coordinator of special education Allison Chance took this opportunity to introduce and welcome our new director of Bright Beginnings Early Learning Academy, Mrs. Chelsey Davern.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

Board member Scott Alexander moved to combine agenda items 1, 2 and 3. These action items were approved together in one motion.

Motion by Alexander seconded by Russell vote 5-0

1. **Approve Resolutions for Purchase of Property**

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve resolutions to authorize the purchase of properties located at 2946 Hornaday Drive and 2949 Hornaday Drive, Greenwood, Indiana.

The resolutions permit the corporation to appoint two (2) appraisers to appraise the fair market value of the land and/or structure, allow the corporation to enter into a purchase

agreement for an amount not to exceed the average of the two (2) appraisals, and authorize corporation officials to execute the necessary documents to complete the sale.

2. **Approve Resolution for Sale and Transfer of K-9 to Government Entity**

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve a resolution authorizing the sale and transfer of Center Grove's Police K-9, Duxo, to the Johnson County Sheriff's Department.

Recently officer Evan Preston left the Center Grove Police Department to take a position with the Johnson County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's department has offered to purchase Duxo for \$4,000, and we would use that money toward the purchase of a new K-9 - to be assigned to officer Chad Allen. Until a new K-9 can be purchased and trained, alongside officer Allen, officer Preston and Duxo will cover the school's needs.

3. **Approve Student Culture/Involvement Survey (High School)**

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve a Student Culture/Involvement Survey for the High School.

In order to measure the growth of one of our Strategic Plan programming goals, the teaching and learning department is requesting a survey be administered to students in grade 9-12 up to two times a year. This survey will allow administrators to determine if we are effectively creating an environment that promotes a positive culture and fosters student involvement at Center Grove High School. The board will be appropriately informed of the results.

VIII. REPORTS

IDOE Discipline Report

Assistant superintendent Dr. Bill Long provided the board with a summary of the number of in-school and out-of-school suspensions that occurred during the 2015-2016 school year. In order to measure the growth of one of our Strategic Plan character education goals, discipline reports will be tracked to see if adjustments/new strategies need to be made to the curriculum. Center Grove chief of police Ray Jackson will provide a report of the Center Grove Police Department runs, arrests and traffic violations at a future board meeting.

Facility Rental Guidelines

Chief financial officer Dr. Paul Gabriel provided the board with a report on the facility rental guidelines. The report looked at simplifying the guidelines by changing the fee structure so that groups consisting mostly of Center Grove students can generally use our buildings at no charge, continuing to charge tournaments or other regional events in which other schools are invited, and continuing to set fees to discourage Sunday usage so that we can save on utilities. Proposed changes will be reviewed by building principals and other staff members and recommended for board approval at the September 15, 2016 board meeting.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

Center Grove Education Foundation Update

Board secretary Jack Russell introduced the new executive director of the Center Grove Education Foundation, Mrs. Jennifer Rakow.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Norman made the following announcements:

- August 30 – Superintendent Coffee Chat (7:30-9:30 a.m., Chick-fil-A Greenwood)
- September 1 – High School Parent/Teacher Conferences
- September 5 – Labor Day (No School)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Service Center board room.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to bring before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Following the regular board meeting at 8:13 p.m., board members reconvened in executive session until 8:43 p.m.