

CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
November 17, 2016

MINUTES

The Board of School Trustees of the Center Grove Community School Corporation met in regular session beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2016, in the Board Room at the Education Service Center, 4800 West Stones Crossing 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>
Paul Gabriel, Chief Financial Officer	<u>X</u>
Bill Long, Assistant Superintendent	<u>X</u>
Jack Parker, Assistant Superintendent	<u>X</u>

Shannon Carroll-Frey, Assistant Director of Secondary Teaching & Learning
Stacy Conrad, Executive Director of Communications
Nora Hoover, Executive Director of Human Resources & Student Services
Brooke Phillips, Maple Grove Elementary Principal
Marcy Szostak, Assistant Director of Elementary Teaching & Learning
Jason Taylor, Chief Technology Officer

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Adam Norman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Maple Grove Elementary student Natalie Vance led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Norman presented Natalie with a certificate for her participation.

President Norman noted the executive session would reconvene at the end of the meeting.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It was recommended that the agenda for the November 17, 2016 regular meeting of the board be adopted as presented.

Motion by Russell seconded by Alexander vote 5-0

President Norman took this opportunity to congratulate board member Carol Tumey for being re-elected to the board for another term. He is honored to continue to serve with her.

President Norman also recognized newly elected board member Rob Daniels who will begin his term in January 2017 and board vice president Rob Richards whose term will expire at the end of the calendar year. President Norman expressed his sincere gratitude to vice president Richards for his service to the corporation, the board, and the community. He truly appreciates everything vice president Richards has done for Center Grove.

IV. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Center Grove was recently named winner of the American School & University Outstanding Design award for the I³ Technology Center. Partner with Lancer+Beebe (project architect) Terry Lancer presented the board and chief technology officer Jason Taylor with plaques in recognition of this honor.

V. REPORTS

Spotlight on Learning-STEM

This evening's Spotlight on Learning featured the Technology department. Mr. Taylor, coordinator of connected learning Jenna Cooper, STEM instructional coach Matt Ehresman, and STEM coach/media specialist Nancy McDowell presented information on the STEM program.

VI. 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:

Mrs. Marlene West (5145 Copperwood Drive, Greenwood, Indiana) spoke on behalf of the 1028 Preliminary Determination Hearing on the new elementary project. She believes building a new elementary school is warranted for continuing a tradition of a quality education in Center Grove.

VII. CONSENT ITEMS

It was recommended that the following Consent Items be approved as presented: Approval of Minutes (10/6/2016 Work Session, Executive Session and Regular Meeting; 11/2/2016 Executive Session), Personnel Report, Accounts Payable and Payroll Claims, and Approval of End of Year Transfer Request .

Motion by Richards seconded by Tumey vote 5-0

Executive director of human resources/student services Nora Hoover took this opportunity to introduce and welcome the new principal of Center Grove Elementary School, Mrs. Krista Nelson.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

1028 Preliminary Determination Hearing & Resolutions (New Elementary)

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board conduct a public hearing prior to selling bonds to finance a new elementary. Following the public hearing, it is also recommended the board approve a resolution regarding the preliminary determination.

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve resolutions for the amendment and restatement of our 401(a) Plan and 403(b) Plan.

Motion by	Alexander	seconded by	Tumey	vot	5-0
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Approve Health Insurance Plan Changes

Motion by	Alexander	seconded by	Russell	vot	5-0
				e	

Approve Resolution for Transfer of Funds from Transportation Fund to Rainy Day Fund

Motion by	Russell	seconded by	Alexander	vot	5-0
				e	

\$1,000,000 (General Fund) will be used for additional expenses
 \$300,000 (Transportation Fund) will be transferred to rainy day fund
 \$100,000 (Transportation Fund) will be used to purchase gasoline and other year end expenses
 \$300,000 (Rainy Day Fund) will be used to purchase property

There were no comments from the public. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Tumey _____ seconded by Alexander _____ vot 5-0
e _____

Approve 2016-2017 Master Teacher Contract

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve the 2016-2017 teacher contract with the United Teachers Association of Center Grove (UTACG).

Board member Alexander provided additional information on the agreement. On November 8, 2016 a tentative agreement was reached regarding wage and wage-related benefits that will be included in the new agreement, as allowed and required by Indiana Code.

Tonight, both compensation and language items are included. The contract is for one year, effective through June 30, 2017.

Motion by Alexander _____ seconded by Russell _____ vot 5-0
e _____

Board member Alexander expressed his gratitude to UTACG co-presidents Beth Heavin and Terry West for working through the negotiation process.

President Norman took this opportunity to thank board member Alexander and Dr. Gabriel for their time and hard work.

Board member Tumey wants the staff and teachers to know how much they are appreciated and valued – they are the best in Indiana.

Vice president Richards believes all employees deserve more and feels we need to work more collaboratively on solving the problem of school funding.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

Board Secretary Russell

- Executive director of the Center Grove Education Foundation Jennifer Rakow and alumnus Jeff Beck are revamping the Alumni & Friends program
- Gala for the Grove will be held April 21, 2017
- High School musical “Guys & Dolls” will be held November 18-20

Board Member Tumey

- Central Nine Career Center now offers an HVAC program
- Athletic Booster Club golf outing will be held in the spring; basketball programs will be sold at all home games

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Norman made the following announcements:

- November 23-25 – Thanksgiving Break (No School)
- December 8 – Superintendent Coffee Chat (7:30-9:30 a.m., Starbucks @ 311 South SR135)

The December meeting has been cancelled. The next regular meeting (reorganization meeting and annual board of finance meeting) is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2017 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 9:04 p.m.

Following the regular board meeting at 9:10 p.m., board members reconvened in executive session until 10:00 p.m.