

CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
February 16, 2017

MINUTES

The Board of School Trustees of the Center Grove Community School Corporation met in regular session beginning at 6:58 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2017, in the Board Room at the Education Service Center, 4800 West Stones Crossing Road, Greenwood, Indiana.

Board members present:

Jack Russell, President	<u>X</u>
Scott Alexander, Vice President	<u>X</u>
Carol Tumey, Secretary	<u>X</u>
Rob Daniels, Member	<u>X</u>
Adam Norman, 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 HR & Student Services
Brian Proctor, North Grove Elementary School Principal
Ron Siner, North Grove Elementary School Assistant Principal
Marcy Szostak, Assistant Director of Elementary Teaching & Learning
Jason Taylor, Chief Technology Officer
Amanda Trimble, Special Program Coordinator

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Jack Russell called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. Following, president Russell read the corporation mission statement

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

North Grove Elementary School student Henry Kidd led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Russell presented Henry with a certificate for his participation.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It was recommended that the agenda for the February 16, 2017 regular meeting be adopted as presented.

Motion by Tumey seconded by Norman vote 5-0

IV. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal

Center Grove High School student Richie Arkanoff discussed his proposal to build a centralized memorial for students and staff who have passed away while attending or working at Center Grove. His vision includes a steel and mesh monument in the shape of a tree with nickel plated leaf replicas engraved in honor of those who have passed away, benches, and landscaping around the monument.

The board commended Richie on the worthy nature of his project and tasked the administration to put together a rollout plan and implementation guidelines once the project is approved by the Boy Scouts council or district advancement committee.

Spotlight on Learning

This evening's Spotlight on Learning featured North Grove Elementary School (NGES). Principal Brian Proctor, assistant principal Ron Siner, and teachers representing all grade levels gave board members a glimpse of how NGES staff members are improving student learning through the Professional Learning Communities (PLC) process.

Board members thanked principal Proctor for his leadership and commended everyone for working together. They appreciate all the work NGES is doing – keep up the great work!

Center Grove Aquatic Club

Center Grove Aquatic Club representatives Doug Adams and Brian Lewis gave a brief update on the current facility's limits and potential for increased risk. They requested the board address the club's concerns and provide a safe and functional environment for swimmers as well as members of the community. The board agreed to investigate what can be done and tasked the administration to initiate a facility assessment to determine the best next steps.

V. REPORTS

School Start Times Update

Superintendent Dr. Rich Arkanoff, executive director of communications Stacy Conrad, and school start time committee members Darci Fosnot and Chris Rosser shared that after a review of the survey feedback, the committee was unable to find a schedule that would accommodate all the factors surrounding a start time change. The committee does believe a start time change is what is in the best interest of students. The group is recommending the board continue the discussion with the funding and authority that will be needed to make a change without causing additional disruption and unintended consequences for students, staff and their families.

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:

Mr. Howard Harrell (4717 Pearcrest Way, Greenwood, Indiana) spoke on behalf of the School Start Times update. He believes making a major shift in school start times would not be good for the community. The corporation needs to look at the big picture because everyone will be affected.

VII. CONSENT ITEMS

It was recommended that the following Consent Items be approved as presented: Approval of Minutes (1/10/2017 Executive Session and Regular Meeting, 1/10/2017 Board of Finance Meeting), Personnel Report, Accounts Payable and Payroll Claims, Field Trip Report, Purchase of Equipment (MSC), and Proposed Camps/Programs (Camp Invention).

Motion by Alexander seconded by Daniels vote 4-1

In favor - Alexander, Daniels, Norman and Russell

Opposed – Tumey

Board secretary Carol Tumey commented that her “no” vote was because of the Forensic Science field trip to a police outdoor range to extend their learning of forensic science and to learn proper firearm safety and handling methods. She does not believe this is a job of the school; it should be left to the parents.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

The following action items were approved in one consensus package allowing the board to approve all these items together without discussion or individual motions:

Approve Certified Staff Handbook

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve the Certified Staff Handbook.

The handbook is reviewed each school year. As part of the process, the content of the handbook has been discussed with the United Teachers Association of Center Grove (UTACG), as required.

Approve Food Service Purchasing Cooperative Agreement

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve the food service department to join the West Indianapolis Purchasing Cooperative and approve the Intergovernmental Agreement Resolution as presented.

Effective July 1, 2017, the corporation will no longer be a member of the Central Indiana Educational Service Center (CIESC). To assist in the bidding of food service products, the food service department would like to join the West Indianapolis Purchasing Cooperative (WIC). WIC will provide basically the same service of bulk bidding of food items that we currently receive from CIESC.

Approve Copier-Printer Contract Agreement

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve a lease agreement with De Lage Landen Public Finance LLC and a contract with Van Ausdall & Farrar for copiers and printers in the corporation.

Our current copier contract will expire on June 30, 2017. Based on staff satisfaction, no disruption in service, and saving money, a new contract with Van Ausdall & Farrar (VAF) will be a beneficial move for the corporation.

Approve 2016 End of Year Transfers

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve the transfers that were made as the books were closed for 2016.

The authority to make these transfers was granted at the November 17, 2016 board meeting. A total amount of \$2,126,143.97 in transfers were made as follows: General Fund (\$33,219.67), Debt Service Fund (\$41,477.20), Capital Projects Fund (\$1,705,101.65), Rainy Day Fund (\$346,345.45).

Close 2016 Unused CPF Projects

Superintendent's Recommendation: It is recommended the board approve carrying over four (4) Capital Projects Fund (CPF) projects and closing the remaining 2016 projects totaling \$326,000.

At the end of each calendar year, the business office presents a list of projects to be carried over into the next calendar year. The amounts in other accounts are then closed and become part of the year-end cash balance in the Capital Projects Fund.

The above items were approved together in one motion:

Motion by Alexander seconded by Tumey vote 5-0

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

Board member Adam Norman shared that he is now on the governing board of Central Nine Career Center as well as the policy subcommittee. He is excited to get to know the facility and the staff.

Board member Rob Daniels shared the following information on behalf of the Center Grove Education Foundation:

- Center Grove Night with the Pacers will be held March 12, 2017
- Gala for the Grove will be held April 21, 2017 at The Crane Bay. Tickets are now available.

President Russell shared the following information on behalf of the Center Grove Alumni & Friends:

- Alumni & Friends meeting held February 22, 2017.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Russell made the following announcements:

- February 20 – Presidents Day (No School)
- February 28 – Superintendent Coffee Chat (7:30-9:30 a.m., Jack's Donuts Greenwood)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 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 9:01 p.m.