

July 8, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Centerville Community School District was held July 8, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the board room of the Administration Office, 634 North Main, Centerville.

### Regular Meeting

#### Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Roll call to determine quorum:

Present: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson (via Zoom), Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: None

Also present were Superintendent Mark Taylor and Chief Financial Officer Lisa Swarts.

#### Welcome Visitors

Kevin Wiskus welcomed visitors.

#### Public Forum

There were no public comments.

#### Approve Agenda

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the agenda as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve minutes of previous meetings

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the June 10, 2024 minutes as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session “Discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation where disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Roll call.

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to go into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation where disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the District in that litigation. Roll call:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously. The board moved into closed session at 6:37 pm.

Other persons present for the closed session were:

Mark Taylor, Superintendent

Lisa Swarts, Chief Financial Officer

Doug Phillips, Attorney, Klass Law Firm

It was a consensus of the board to move out of closed session and return to open session at 7:03 pm.

The Board took a recess at 7:03 pm. until 7:05 pm.

#### Old Business

Approval of Participation in Jester Break-Fix Insurance Program

A new product might be available later on this year according to the District's insurance agent. For the time being, it was recommended to hold off on the Break-Fix Insurance.

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Mike Moore to not approve participating in the Jester Break-Fix Insurance Program. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of CHS Closed Lunch

The board had a lengthy discussion on the topic with the focus being on the safety of students and staff. It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter that all students of Centerville Community School District will have closed lunch. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Approval of Tentative Settlement Agreement Negotiated by EMC in the Case of Doe v. Centerville CSD

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the Tentative Settlement Agreement Negotiated by EMC in the Case of Doe v. Centerville CSD. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Tom Johnson left the meeting at 7:29 pm.

Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to move into adoption the "Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program" as presented with the public hearing being set as August 12, 2024 at 5:30 pm at the Centerville Administration Building. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve 2025 IASB Legislative Priorities

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Tim Burger to approve the IASB Legislative priorities topics selected by the Board as:

1. Early Childhood Education
2. Safety
3. Teacher Quality
4. Educator Preparation and Licensure

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bid for Garbage Pickup for 2024-25

It was moved Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the 2024-25 garbage pickup bid from Hill's Sanitation: Basic Bid \$1075/per month and Summer Pickup \$32.50/container. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve 2024-2025 Fuel Bids

2024-2025 Fuel Bids were presented as follows:

MFA Oil Company –unleaded gasoline - \$.18 above IDOT Rack; Red Diesel - \$.18 above IDOT Rack  
Bratz Oil Corporation –Gasoline and Diesel at street price

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to approve bids for the 2024-2025 school year for MFA Oil Company for buses and Bratz Oil Corporation for other vehicles. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve Updated Garrett Callahan Agreement

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the updated Garrett Callahan Agreement due to the reduction of boilers at Centerville High School as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve Induction Coach Contract Agreement 2024-25

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Mike Thomas to approve the contract with Joan Mobley for Induction Coach services for the 2024-25 school year as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve Activity Fund Transfers within for Negative Accounts

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the recommended activity fund transfers for negative accounts as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve 2024-25 General, Cafeteria, and Activity Fees

It was moved by Tim Burger and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the 2024-25 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund Fees as presented with no changes from 2023-24. Motion passed unanimously.

Activity Fund Fees will be brought back to the next meeting for approval.

#### Approve Technology Purchase

Two technology hardware quotes were presented for approval:

1. BlueAlly – Chromebooks - \$27,100
2. BlueAlly – Aruba Switches and Installation - \$28,219 with \$19,753.30 of the total being reimbursed through E-Rate discounts.

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the technology purchases as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve First Reading of Board Policies 300 Series

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the first reading of 300 board policy series as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Discuss Baseball Field Options

Options discussed included: having our own field, discussions with the City about All-Play field opportunities, discussions with County Conservation on opportunities, continuation with Indian Hills. It was a consensus of the Board that Mr. Taylor continue pursuing all options available.

#### Approval of Superintendent Renewal Contract

Three-year rolling contract with Mark Taylor was presented commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027, with first-year salary of \$165,714. It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the contract with Mark Taylor as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Approve Personnel Business Procedures

#### Resignations

1. Cassidy Stewart – Resigning from Social Worker position at Lakeview

#### Transfers

1. Malorie Menken – Transferring from One-on-One Associate to Kindergarten Associate at Lakeview

#### Employment/Contracts

1. Doss Potter – Custodian, 256 Days, \$27,893.76, Effective July 8, 2024 - Replacing Steve Smith
2. Terri Schofield – Contract Adjustment, \$112,000 to \$116,000
3. Ryan Conrad – Contract Adjustment, MA+12, \$57,951 to \$59,327
4. Nic Belloma – Head HS Girls Basketball Coach – 75 Days - \$6,541.05, Effective November 11, 2024 - Replacing Brian Koehler
5. Jeff Moore – HS Assistant Basketball Coach – 75 Days – \$3,948.07 – Effective November 11, 2024, Replacing Emily Mason
6. Casey Lewis – HS Head Volleyball Coach – 75 Days - \$4,475.63 – Effective August 12, 2024, Replacing Taylor Lawson
7. Bryan Baker – Reimbursement for Moving Expenses \$5825.00
8. Michael Kaleponi - Summer Worker, Step 1, \$12.97, effective July 9, 2024.
9. Daniel Hargrave – Asst Boys Basketball – 75 Days – \$2,830.89 – Effective November 18, 2024, Replacing Jakob Bauer

#### Volunteer Agreements

1. Jeff Moore – Assistant Boys Basketball

#### Sports Officials Contracts – as listed

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Tim Burger to approve all personnel items as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Financial Reports

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve all prepaids, list of bills, financial reports, and pay per diem as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Superintendent Report

Superintendent report topics included: EMC insurance renewal with wind/hail buy-downs, significant damage to Lakeview Roof from last storm, additional asbestos found at CHS, awarding of Summer School \$40,000 grant, appreciation for Aaron Beeson’s work in buildings this summer, excitement of administrative staff collaborating together.

#### Board Member Takeaways

Takeaway items included: looking forward to updates of facilities, welcomes to the new administration, appreciation of board support on decisions even through differing opinions, summer food program, traffic flow at CHS, appreciation of Mr. Taylor’s support of the community, fire department training at CHS, IASB convention and credits.

#### Closed Session Pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i) “To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose hiring, performance, appointment or discharge is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable harm to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” Roll call.

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to go into closed session under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i) “To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose hiring, performance, appointment or discharge is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable harm to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” Roll call.

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously. The board moved into closed session at 8:37 pm.

Other persons present for the closed session were:

Mark Taylor, Superintendent

Lisa Swarts, Chief Financial Officer

It was a consensus of the board to move out of closed session and return to open session at 10:11 pm.

Adjourn

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

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Board President, Kevin Wiskus

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Board Secretary, Lisa Swarts