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The Annual & Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Centerville Community School District was held October 14, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the board room of the Administration Office, 634 North Main, Centerville.

Board of Education – Annual Meeting

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the annual meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Roll call to determine quorum: Present: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: Carol Heffron, Mike Thomas

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 Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the agenda as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Annual Board Meeting

Receive and Approve Transportation Annual Report

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to receive and approve the fiscal year 2024 Annual Transportation Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive and Approve Local Education Agency's Certified Annual Report (CAR)

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to receive and approve the fiscal year 2024 Certified Annual Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive and Approve Local Education Agency's Special Education Supplement (SES) It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Tom Johnson to receive and approve the fiscal year 2024 Special Education Supplement as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn to regular meeting

It was moved by Tom Johnson and seconded by Tim Burger to adjourn the annual meeting at 5:39 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Board Meeting

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the regular meeting to order at 5:39 pm. Roll call to determine quorum: Present: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: Carol Heffron, Mike Thomas

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

Approve Agenda

It was moved by Tim Burger and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the agenda as stated.

Motion passed unanimously.

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It was moved by Tom Johnson and seconded by Mike Moore to go into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential and Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(e) to discuss whether to conduct a hearing or to conduct hearings to suspend or expel a student. Roll call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The board moved into closed session at 5:41 pm.

Other persons present for the closed session were:

Mark Taylor, Superintendent

Lisa Swarts, Chief Financial Officer

Terri Schofield, Howar Middle School Principal

Student, Student's Mother, Student's Grandfather

It was a consensus of the board to move out of closed session and return to open session at 6:05 pm.

Consideration and Action on Student Disciplinary Agreement

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Tom Johnson to approve the Student Disciplinary Agreement with the student who was the subject of the closed session as presented. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Tom Johnson, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously with Mike Moore abstaining from the vote.

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It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to go into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential and Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(e) to discuss whether to conduct a hearing or to conduct hearings to suspend or expel a student. Roll call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The board moved into closed session at 6:10 pm.

Other persons present for the closed session were:

Mark Taylor, Superintendent

Lisa Swarts, Chief Financial Officer

Jennifer Donels, High School Principal

It was a consensus of the board to move out of closed session and return to open session at 6:54 pm.

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Consideration and Action on Student Disciplinary Agreement

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve Student Disciplinary Agreement with the student who was the subject of the closed session as amended in closed session. Roll call vote: Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Kevin Wiskus
Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Moore stepped out of the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Approve Minutes of previous meetings

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Tim Burger to approve the September 9, 2024 and September 23, 2024 minutes as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Moore returned to the meeting at 6:56 pm.

Old Business

There were no old business items.

New Business

Presentation and Approval of FFA Fundraisers

FFA students presented materials for the upcoming 4 Seasons Fundraiser, Flower Arrangement Auction, and Dried Wreath Auction.

It was moved by Kevin Wiskus and seconded by Derek Carter to approve FFA fundraisers as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of 2024-25 Fundraising Calendar

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the 2024-25 Fundraising Calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Presentation on Baseball Field Updates

Rachelle Hines with FRK Architects was present to go over the results of the recent Baseball Field visioning meeting held with District staff. She presented different options and costing at a general level and answered questions about timelines and materials.

Student Representative Report

Kinley Harvey was present to report out on activities at the high school. Topics included: Homecoming attendance, Little Shop of Horrors musical, college application day, marching band, and advisory.

Approval of Athletic Transfer Eligibility for L.P. and C.M.

It was noted by board members that these students had already participated in athletic activities before the matter was brought before the board. The requests were not made to Centerville CSD until after passing deadlines. Mr. Taylor stated that he would look into any reporting requirements to the state associations. It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the Athletic Transfer Eligibility for L.P. and C.M. as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of 28E Agreement with City of Centerville – School Resource Officer

After discussion, board members asked that Mr. Taylor speak with the City about certain questions that they have about the agreement. Those questions centered around; if the officers had SRO training, how are the hours tracked, are the regular service calls included in those hours, is it better for the same officer for the students.

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It was moved by Tom Johnson and seconded by Tim Burger to approve the 28E Agreement with City of Centerville for School Resource Officer \$18,428 based on 10 hours per week. Motion passed unanimously with Mike Moore abstaining.

Approval of Memorial at Paul Johnson Field

It was brought to the administration's attention that a memorial at Paul Johnson Field had been previously approved by past administration. Tarah Kovacevich was present to seek approval. Board discussion involved the hesitation to go against current board policy and setting a precedent. It was a consensus that it was already approved and that they would follow policy moving forward.

It was moved by Tom Johnson and seconded by Mike Moore to approve the memorial at Paul Johnson Field for Mr. Kovacevich. Motion passed 4-1 with Tim Burger voting against.

Approval of Concussion Protocol

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Tim Burger to approve the Concussion Protocol document as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Playground Purchase

Aaron Beeson recommended the purchase of new playground equipment for the Preschool for \$21,500. This was a deal that he was made aware of and has the funds in his budget to purchase. It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Tom Johnson to approve the Preschool playground purchase for \$21,500 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of 2024-25 Iowa Reading Corps Agreement

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Tim Burger to approve the 2024-25 Iowa Reading Corps Agreement as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve 1st Reading of Board Policies 800 Series

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Mike Moore to approve the 1st reading of board policies 800 series as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Annual Depository Amount

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the annual depository and amount as Iowa Trust and Savings Bank for the amount of 22 million. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve SBRC Request for Allowable Growth & Supplemental Aide for Negative Special Education

Balance It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the SBRC request for allowable growth and supplemental state aid for negative special education balance in the amount of \$326,774.23. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve SBRC Request for Allowable Growth for LEP (Limited English Proficient) It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the application and request for allowable growth & supplemental aid for LEP (Limited English Proficient) excess costs in the amount of \$172.50. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Moore stepped out of the meeting at 8:34 pm and returned to the meeting at 8:35 pm.

Financial Report

Lisa Swarts gave an update on the Unspent Authorized Budget Report the fiscal year

ending 2024. Update on Certified Enrollment

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Mr. Taylor gave an update on preliminary Certified Enrollment estimates. Estimates are showing a fairly significant decrease in enrollment which will have an impact on funding. He will be bringing some possible solutions to the board at a future meeting.

Approve Personnel Business Procedures

Resignations

1. Lynn Gilbert – Resigning from Sp. Ed. Shuttle Driver effective 9/13/2024.

Employment/Contracts

1. Haley Bishop - .4 FTE Winter Cheerleading Sponsor – 75 Days - \$1,231.66 – Effective 11/11/24 – Vacant Position

2. Jodi Morelock – Contract Adjustment – Updated daily hours to 7.75 – 146 Days – Effective 10/16/24 3. Sharyl Woollums – LKV Special Education Aide Specific – 144 Days - \$16,036.92 – Effective 10/21/24 – Vacant Position

4. Marissa Belarmino – CHS Study Hall/Library Aide – 148 Days - \$19,114.20 – Effective 10/15/24 – replacing Makenzie Bates

Lane Change

Janee Carson – MA+12 Step 11, \$62,077 to MA+24 Step 11, \$63,456

Sports Officials Contract – as listed

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

Superintendent Report

Mr. Taylor's report included: appreciation for building administrators work this year, homecoming, and the dangers of vaping.

Board Member Takeaways

Takeaways included: appreciation for board handling of big issues in the meeting, appreciation of student reports, baseball field costing, concern for Certified Enrollment numbers and reasons for decrease, appreciation of FFA students presenting, tough work that the administrators and staff take on and the expectations of everything the district is responsible for.

Adjourn

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Mike Moore to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

President, Kevin Wiskus Board Secretary, Lisa Swarts Board