

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4

- May 18, 2009 A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President David Hansen at 7:00 p.m., on May 18, 2009. The meeting was held at the Board Office in Ashkum, Illinois.
- Roll Call Upon the call of roll, the following members answered present: Members Byarley, Frake, Frerichs, Hansen, Peters, and Caspary.
- Absent: Swanson
- Others in Attendance Also in attendance were: Superintendent Evans, Mr. Felesena, Mrs. Adair, Mrs. Marquis, Ms Morelock, Mr. Harkins, Paula Schoon, Shari Alberts, Lesa Wilken, Chris Wilken, Sarah Landon, Karla Felesena, Tennille Mathy, Cheryl Gerdes, Sharon Brough, Diane Dawson, Marcia Hess, Jeff Fenton, Daniel Frey, Sarah Davis, Jennifer Thompson, and L. Warpet,
- Approve Agenda A motion for approval of the consent agenda was made by Member Peters and seconded by Member Frake.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- Public Comment Lisa Wilken spoke in regards to the kindergarten class size projected for the 2009-2010 school year. She wants a 4th class added instead of only three classes of kindergarten. Her next concern was the lack of room in Chebanse and perhaps the board can open up classrooms in Ashkum. President Hansen addressed her concern about class sizes. As the projected numbers come in, we will seek the advice of the teachers and administrators as to what will be manageable. If we need to open more classrooms at Ashkum we will do so if administration recommends this. Mrs. Wilken read an e-mail from the Illinois State Comptroller stating vouchers have been issued to the district. President Hansen explained that we cannot spend vouchers and the state is 133 days behind in issuing the money.
- Jennifer Thompson spoke on behalf of overcrowding at Chebanse. Her son went into the cafeteria to do his work because spacing was limited. There is limited spacing for students who need extra help but she asked that this information be taken into consideration. President Hansen asked administration to keep the board apprised as to the limited space concerns.
- Items of
Correspondence Received letter from Illinois State Board of Education indicating the district has achieved Financial Recognition status which is the highest category obtainable. An appreciation letter was received from Dean and Beth Schafer. Rebecca Swigert sent a letter about the results of the "Community Service" component of her Sociology Class. The students who participated were very positive about their experiences and she wanted us to be award of this. No payments have been

released for Early Childhood but we have vouchers for \$227,000.00. One transportation payment has been received and one 1 out of five General State Aid payments has been paid; however using federal stimulus money to do so.

Superintendent Report Good News was highlighted from the schools. Nash Middle School promotion is Thursday, May 21. Central High School Awards Night is May 27 and Central High School graduation is May 31, 2009

President Report None

Consent Agenda A motion to approve the consent agenda as read by President Hansen was made by Member Byarley and seconded by Member Frake.

Aye: Peters, Caspary, Frerichs, Byarley, Frake, Hansen, and Peters

Nay: None Absent: Swanson

Minutes • Approval of minutes of regular meeting of April 27, 2009 and Special meeting May 5, 2009

Financial Reports • Approval of Financial Reports
Bills Approved • Approval of Bills

Bill Listing includes:

Education	\$ 152,672.62
Building Fund	\$ 20,011.64
Bond & Interest Fund	\$.00
Transportation Fund	\$ 12,020.45
Municipal Retirement /	\$ 9,538.24
Social Security Fund	
Working Cash Fund	-0-
Safety Code Fund	-0-
Site & Construction	\$ -0-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 194,242.95

Membership IASB Approve membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards

Renew AthletiCo Services Approve to renew service with AthletiCo Employment Services for athletics for the 2009-2010 school year.

Extra-Curricular Handbook Nash/CHS Approve Extra-Curricular Activities Handbook for Nash Middle School/Central High School.

Final School Calendar 2008-2009 Approve amended final school calendar for the 2008-2009 school year.

Special Education Summer School Approve hiring Amy Waters, Donna Woods, Linda Gall, Bessie Campbell, Amber Anderson, and Cindy Stachowicz as employees for the Special Education Summer School.

Special Education Workload Plan Approve Special Education Workload Plan.

Milk Bid 2009-2010 Approve Prairie Farms Dairy for milk bid for the 2009-2010 school year.

Brenda Basham Student Teacher Approve Brenda Basham as student teacher at Central High School for Fall 2009.

April Becker Student Teacher Approve April Becker as student teacher at Central High School for Spring 2010.

Extra-Curricular Job Descriptions CHS Approve Extra-Curricular Job Descriptions for Central High School.

New Business

Summer Maintenance A motion to approve the summer maintenance list as presented was made by Member Peters and seconded by Member Frerichs.

Aye: Caspary, Frerichs, Byarley, Frake, Hansen, and Peters

Nay: None Absent: Swanson

Discuss Projected NCLB and ARRA Allocations Discussed FY10 projected NCLB and ARRA allocations: Title I allocations for FY10 have been received. We are scheduled to receive \$162,524 for Title I and \$79,540 for Title I-ARRA. The information from ISBE has not been provided for Title II and Title IV allocations. There is discussion that the class size reduction grant dollars may no longer be provided. Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Adair will be attending a meeting this week to get more information regarding the use of ARRA funds.

Horizons Mentoring Horizons Mentoring Program: Dan Frey, project director, for the Horizons program spoke. This program is funded through the federal government. An extension has been applied for, however; no definitive answer has been received so far. The original allocation was \$592,000 for this grant. Mr. Frey asked if funds were not available if the board would support this program. This program serves 4th – 8th grade students. He explained the program to the Board. Coordinators Karla Felesena and Diane Dawson shared their experiences seeing the students succeed and become confident through their program. President Hansen thanked those involved with this program for their dedication and caring.

Golf Cooperative Iroquois West Golf Cooperative with Iroquois West: Changes have been made to the program which we were not aware of. Our students pay a Central fee; however, they are requesting our students pay an Iroquois West athletic fee. They also want Central students to use their own transportation. Travis Williams volunteered to help with this program without any type of stipend. Iroquois West also wants Central to provide transportation to meets. President Hansen asked what the level of interest is with the fee that are being projected and report the findings to the board.

- Executive Session** A motion to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Employment or Dismissal of Personnel, Negotiations, Student Discipline, and possible Litigation pursuant to the authority granted by 5ILCS 120/2 (c), (1), (2), (9), & (11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act at 8:10 P.M. was made by Member Peters and seconded by Member Frerichs.
- Aye: Frake, Hansen, Peters, Caspary, Frerichs, and Byarley
- Nay: None Absent: Swanson
- Return to Regular Session A motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:40 P.M. was made by Member Frake and seconded by Member Caspary.
- Motion passed without dissent
- Approval of Executive Session Minutes** A motion to approve Executive Session minutes of May 18, 2009 was made by Member Frake and seconded by Member Peter.
- Motion passed without dissent
- Approve Student Discipline for May A motion for approval of student discipline for May 2009 was made by member Frake and seconded by member Byarley.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- 4th Kindergarten Class for 09-10 A motion to approve adding a 4th section kindergarten class for the 2009-2010 school year per earlier discussion was made by Member Peters and seconded by Member Caspary.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- Uphold Student Discipline A motion to uphold the discipline of student 2009-03 was made by Member Frake and seconded by Member Byarley.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- Expedite Final Pay Sandra Grenhoff A motion to expedite final pay for Sandra Grenhoff was made by Member Byarley and seconded by Member Peters.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- Mary Ann Sorensen Retires end of 2012-2013 A motion to accept the retirement of Mary Ann Sorensen at the end of the 2012-2013 school year was made by Member Frake and seconded by Member Byarley.
- Motion passed without dissent.
- Adjournment** A motion to adjourn at 10:45 P.M. was made by Member Frerichs and seconded by Member Byarley.
- Motion passed without dissent

President of the Board

Secretary of the Board