

**CENTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
FYOCK LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM**

The Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School Joint District Number 26 met in a Regular Session on February 11, 2014

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call:**

Roll Call:        **Mr. Richard Barela  
Mrs. Yuridia Cendejas  
Mr. Michael Lobato  
Mr. James Sanchez  
Mr. Philip Varoz**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: Student, Personnel & Legal Matters: TIME: 7:10PM**

Mr. Barela moved to go into Executive Session to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by Federal Law, specifically the Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.C.A. § 1232g, and by the Colorado Open Records Act, Article 72, Title 22, C.R.S. and that by this motion, the Board announces that such is the purpose of the Executive Session inviting Mr. Welsh.

Mrs. Cendejas seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**Call to Order: Regular Session:**

Mr. Lobato called the Regular Session to order at 8:03 P.M.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**2. Welcome to Visitors:**

There were no visitors present at the meeting.

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

Mrs. Cendejas moved approve the agenda as presented.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

#### 4. Staff/Student Reports:

RTI Program – Susan Banning:

- Ms. Banning presented what she has done so far during the year with the RTI process.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Ms. Banning for her report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if there were any questions for Ms. Banning.

There were no questions asked of Ms. Banning.

1. Senior Class- Gabriela Venzor and Mauricio Paez
  - Miss Gabriela Venzor reported that together the Senior class of 2014 has raised \$6,600.00.
  - Miss Gabriela Venzor reported that the class plans to use \$600.00 for graduation decorations and the remaining amount will be used for a class trip to San Diego.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Miss Venzor for her report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if there were any questions for Miss Venzor

There were no questions asked of Miss Venzor

#### 5. Brief Comments from the Public:

Mr. Sanchez moved to include Board Policy, BEDH-E, Brief Comments from the Public, as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

Mr. Daniel Newmyer approached the Board of Education in support of the Superintendent contract for Mr. Welsh.

Ms. Zoraya Vazquez approached the Board of Education in support of the Superintendent contract for Mr. Welsh.

Mrs. Colleen Hurst approached the Board of Education in support of the Superintendent contract for Mr. Welsh.

Mrs. Sarah Vance and Mr. Chris Vance approached the Board of Education in support of the Superintendent contract for Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Lloyd Garcia approached the Board of Education in support of the Superintendent contract for Mr. Welsh.

#### 6. Special Visitations:

There were no special visitations.

**7. Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Barela moved to make a consent motion to include the written Administrative Board Reports as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

Mrs. Cendejas seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**A. K-2 Elementary Principal's Report: Mrs. Kathy Kulp:**

Mrs. Kulp was present at the meeting and submitted a report in electronic form

- Mrs. Kulp reported that the elementary had its mid-year review in January.
- Mrs. Kulp reported that Lindamood-Bell assessments were administered to first grade students who were referred by classroom teachers.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Mrs. Kulp for her report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if there were any questions for Mrs. Kulp.

There were no questions asked of Mrs. Kulp.

**B. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Elementary Principal's Report: Mrs. Sarah Vance:**

Mrs. Vance was present at the Board Meeting and submitted a report in electronic form.

- Mrs. Vance reported that January was spent working on teacher evaluations.
- Mrs. Vance reported that Mrs. Lu Ortega has been appointed as the new National Elementary Honor Society sponsor.
- Mrs. Vance reported that Lindamood-Bell awarded Haskin with a \$5,000.00 check to continue the program.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Mrs. Vance for her report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if there were any questions for Mrs. Vance.

There were no questions asked of Mrs. Vance.

**C. Middle School Principal's Report: Mrs. Carrie Zimmerman:**

Mrs. Zimmerman was present at the Board Meeting and submitted a report in electronic form.

- Mrs. Zimmerman reported that Skoglund Spotlight Students are recognized once a month.
- Mrs. Zimmerman reported that the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class won the Merit Race during the week.
- Mrs. Zimmerman reported that because the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class won the Merit Race they were treated to movie and snack at the Ski Hi 6 Theater in Alamosa.
- Mrs. Zimmerman reported that the middle school student council hosted an awards assembly on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**7. Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Mrs. Zimmerman for her report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if they had any questions for Mrs. Zimmerman.

There were no questions asked of Mrs. Zimmerman.

**D. High School Principal's Report: Mr. Kevin Jones:**

Mr. Jones was present at the Board Meeting and submitted a report in electronic form.

- Mr. Jones reported that he is in the process of finishing up the teacher evaluations.
- Mr. Jones reported that Center will host an All Valley PLC, which he and Mrs. Zimmerman have both created the PLC/Principal Agenda to include the PLC process and how teachers are teaching from data.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Mr. Jones for his report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if they had any questions of Mr. Jones.

There were no questions asked of Mr. Jones.

**E. Directory of Instruction/Vocational Coordinator's Report: Mrs. Lori Cooper:**

Mrs. Cooper was present at the meeting and submitted a report in electronic form.

- Mrs. Cooper reported that she attended the ELL READ Act literacy Task Force meeting.
- Mrs. Cooper reported that she has been reviewing the READ Act data and cross referencing it with NWEA/DIBELS to verify student progress.
- Mrs. Cooper reported that K-12 ACCESS testing was completed.
- Mrs. Cooper reported that she participated in the schools' midyear evaluations.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Mrs. Cooper for his report to the Board. He asked the remaining members if they had any questions asked of Mrs. Cooper.

There were no question asked of Mrs. Cooper

**7. Administrative Reports:**

**F. Director of Finance Report: Ms. Betty Casanova:**

Ms. Casanova was present and submitted a Financial Packet to the Board.

- Ms. Casanova reported that she anticipates that she anticipates the end of year General Fund balance to be \$852,814.00.
- Ms. Casanova reported that the District received 2 months' worth of State reimbursement in the amount of \$51,207.71.
- Ms. Casanova reported that the largest bill for the month was the Center Municipal Utilities bill in the amount of \$25,355.16.

Mr. Lobato delivered a "Thank You" to Ms. Casanova for her report. He asked the remaining Board Members if they had any questions for Ms. Casanova.

**G. Superintendent's Report: Mr. George Welsh:**

Mr. Welsh was present at the Board Meeting but did not submit a report in electronic form.

Mr. Welsh thanked everyone who attended the meeting in support of the renewal of his contract.

**8. Consent Agenda:**

Mrs. Cendejas moved to make a consent motion to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda, as presented on pages 21 to 28 of the Board Packet, as recommended by Mr. Welsh; and include required documents, if appropriate, and as record of the Official Board Minutes.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**169. (A.) Declare: High School Football Inventory List:**

Mr. Welsh recommended that the list of high school football equipment be declared as excess, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of.

**170. (B.) Addition to: 2013-2014 Classified Substitute List:**

Mr. Welsh recommended that Ms. Brisa Maldonado be added to the 2013-2014 Classified Substitute list to assist the Preschool department.

**171.(C.) Addition to: 2013-2014 Substitute Teacher List:**

Mr. Welsh recommended that Mr. Tobias Donahue, be added to the 2013-2014 Substitute Teacher's List.

9. Resolutions/Motions:

172. (D.) Staff Hiring: After School Academy Teacher:

Mr. Varoz moved to hire Mrs. Denise Martinez for the position of After-School Academy Teacher, with the wages of \$25.00 per hour, retroactive to January 29, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year, as requested by Mrs. Sarah Vance; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

173.(E.) Staff Hiring: Art Club Sponsor:

Mr. Sanchez moved to hire Mr. Joshua Landes and Ms. Brittany Moore, for the respective position of Art Club Sponsor, retroactive to February 3, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year, with rate of \$16.00 per hour, with a total of 6 hours per week, to be paid from the Saguache County Sales Tax Grant, as requested by Mrs. Katrina Caldon-Ruggles; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

174. (F.) Staff Hiring: Adams State Student Tutor:

Mrs. Cendejas moved to hire Ms. Brittany Moore, for the position of Adams State Student Tutor, retroactive to February 5, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year, with the rate of \$16.00 per hour with a total of 2 hours per week, to be paid from the EARSS Grant, as requested by Mrs. Katrina Caldon-Ruggles; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

175.(G.) Staff Hiring: Long-Term Substitute Teacher:

Mr. Varoz moved to hire Ms. Heather Lynn Butler, for the position of long-term substitute teacher, retroactive to January 15, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year, with the rate of \$182.86 per day worked, with no leave or fringe benefits, as requested by Mrs. Kathy Kulp; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**9. Resolutions/Motions:**

**176. Board Policy: ADD, Safe Schools: First Reading:**

**177. Board Policy: GBEC, Alcohol and Drug Free Workplace: First Reading:**

**178. Board Policy: JICH, Drug and Alcohol Use by Students: First Reading:**

**179. Board Policy: KFA, Public Conduct of District Property: First Reading:**

Mr. Barela moved to adopt Board Policies, ADD, Safe Schools; GBEC, Alcohol and Drug Free Workplace, JICH, Drug and Alcohol Use by Students and KFA, Public Conduct on District Property, as presented for First Reading; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mrs. Cendejas seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**180. Board Policy: GDD, Support Staff Vacations and Holidays: First Reading: Emergency Basis:**

Mr. Sanchez moved to adopt the Board Policy GDD, Support Staff Vacations and Holidays, as presented for First Reading and on Emergency Basis, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye, Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**181. Resolution: Transfer from General Fund to GDPG Fund:**

Mr. Varoz moved to adopt the following Board Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School District Number 26jt., hereby authorizes the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the General Fund to the Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund, for the purpose of funds received from the Colorado Legacy Foundation for the Climate Behavioral Grant deposited to the General Fund; and, include a copy of this resolution as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

DONE AND SIGNED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014.  
CENTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 26JT.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**9.Resolutions/Motions:**

**182. Resolution: Transfer from General Fund to GDPG Fund:**

Mrs. Cendejas moved to adopt the following Board Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School District 26Jt, hereby authorizes the transfer of \$3,133.15 from the General Fund to the Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund for the purpose of reallocating the following Salaries and Benefits: \$5,907.00 reallocation from Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund to the General Fund for Instructional Site Coordinator's Salary and benefits; and, \$2,773.85 reallocation from the General Fund to the Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund for the Adult Education Instructor's Salary and Benefits; and, include a copy of this resolution as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

DONE AND SIGNED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014.  
CENTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 26JT.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Varoz seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**183. Resolution: Transfer from GDPG Fund to General Fund:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School District 26Jt., hereby authorizes the transfer of \$70,015.00, from the Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund to the General Fund, for the purpose of the Partial School-Wide Transfer; and. Include a copy of this resolution as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

DONE AND SIGNED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014.  
CENTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 26JT.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**



9.Resolutions/Motions:

184. Resolution: Transfer from GDPG Fund to General Fund:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School District Number 26Jt., hereby authorizes the transfer of \$400.00 from the Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund to the General Fund, for the purpose of reallocating the Title 1 First Book Grant expenditures paid from the General Fund; and, include a copy of this resolution as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

DONE AND SIGNED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014.  
CENTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 26JT.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Barela seconded.

VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye

185. Resolution: January 2014 Payroll Transfers:

Mr. Sanchez moved to adopt the following Board Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Center Consolidated School District Number 26Jt., hereby authorizes the following transfers to the Payroll Clearing Account, for the purpose of the January 2014 Payroll Transfers; and, include a copy of this resolution as part of the record of the Official Board Minutes.

General Fund:	\$349,915.32
Preschool Fund:	6,602.88
Governmental Designated-Purpose Grants Fund;	20,475.19
Cafeteria Fund:	10,624.80
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$387,618.19</b>

Mrs. Cendejas seconded.

VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye

**9.Resolutions/Motions:**

**186. (R.) Bills: January 2014 General Fund, GDPG Fund and Cafeteria Fund Bills:**

Mrs. Cendejas moved to approve the January 2014 General Fund, Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund and Cafeteria Fund Bills, as presented; and, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**187. (S.) Approve: Additional Compensation for ARC Teacher Assistant:**

Mr. Barela moved to compensate Ms. Vincent Ortega and additional \$30.00 per day for the supervisions of expelled students retroactive to February 4, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 School Year, as recommended by Mr. Welsh.

Mrs. Cendejas seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: Student, Personnel & Legal Matters: TIME: 10:02PM**

Mr. Varoz moved to go into Executive Session to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by Federal Law, specifically the Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.C.A. § 1232g, and by the Colorado Open Records Act, Article 72, Title 22, C.R.S. and that by this motion, the Board announces that such is the purpose of the Executive Session inviting Mr. Welsh.

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

Mr. Lobato called the Regular Session to order at 10:17PM

**188. (T.) Resolution: Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract:**

Mr. Lobato moved to approve the resolution offering George Welsh a two-year contract for employment from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016, on terms and conditions set forth in the Superintendent contract negotiated by the parties, and to irrevocably pledge District cash reserves sufficient to fund the District's obligation under such contract.

Mr. Lobato moved to adopt the following Board Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("Board") of Center Consolidated School Joint District Number 26 ("School District") is authorized to employ all personnel required to maintain the operations and carry out the education programs of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has evaluated the performance of Mr. George S. Welsh, Superintendent,

**188.(T.) Resolution: Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract:**

and the performance of the School District in accordance with Board Policy CBI; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Superintendent has performed well in most management areas and has agreed to take action in those areas in which the Board has expressed concern; and

WHEREAS, based on the Superintendent's performance and qualifications, the Board desires to offer the Superintendent a two-year contract, for which the Board desires to irrevocably pledge present cash reserves sufficient to fund the School District's obligation under the contract.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Center Consolidated School Joint District Number 26 that:

1. The Board hereby offers the Superintendent a two-year contract for employment commencing on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, subject to the terms and conditions in the Superintendent's contract negotiated between the parties.

2. The Board hereby irrevocably pledges School District cash reserves upon the adoption of the budget and appropriation resolution for the 2014-2015 fiscal year sufficient to fund the School District's obligation under the Superintendent's contract and holds sufficient moneys in reserve for payment of the District's obligation under the Superintendent's contract for all subsequent fiscal years in which the Superintendent's contract is in effect.

ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day February, 2014.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CENTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL JOINT DISTRICT  
NUMBER 26

Mr. Barela seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**189. (U.) Other :**

There were no other items presented to the Board.

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**10. Approval of Minutes: January 14, 2014 Regular Meeting:**

Mr. Barela moved to approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2014 Regular Meeting, as presented.

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**

**11. Discussion and Report Items/Request for Information:**

There were no items presented to the Board of Education.

**12. Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Mr. Barela moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 P.M.

Mr. Sanchez seconded.

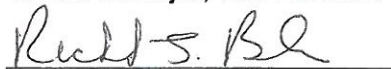
**VOTE: Mr. Barela-aye; Mrs. Cendejas-aye; Mr. Lobato-aye; Mr. Sanchez-aye; Mr. Varoz-aye**



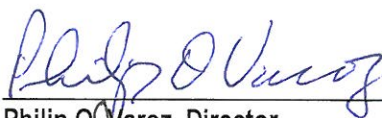
Michael C. Lobato, President



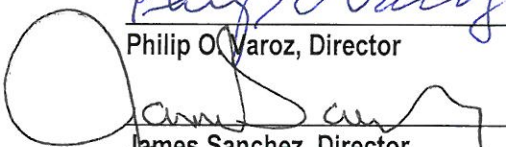
Yuridia Cendejas, Vice President



Richard Barela, Secretary/Treasurer



Philip O. Varoz, Director



James Sanchez, Director



Jessica Ornelas, Board Clerk