

**CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ELKADER, IOWA
School Board Meeting
October 15, 2018
6:00 PM
BOARD MEETING**

President Jered Finley called the board meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Board Present: Jered Finley, Michael Whittle, NiCole Dennler, Suzy Hilgerson, Amy Pope, Taylor Alexie and Ed Hertrampf

Staff: Nick Trenkamp, Aaron Reinhart, Trevor Hunt and Joyce Piorkowski

Guests: Weston Helgerson, Katelynn Fangman, Savannah Rork, Jasmine Miller, Zoe Barker, Jon Whittle and Diego Galdamez Fayos

Consent Items

Approval of Printed Minutes – September 17, 2018

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Bills – Taylor Alexie/Michael Whittle – adding three invoices – Wartburg - \$100.00 for four Trumpet Festival Registrations; Kelly Erickson – reimbursement for hotel for the World Language Conference - \$333.76 and reimbursement for Gimkit pro assessment - \$59.88

Treasurer's Report

Pay Request – Larson Construction – Improvement Project – 09/30/2018

Michael Whittle made a motion to approve the Consent Items.

Taylor Alexie seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Learning & Leadership

Remodel Update

Fire Marshall approve the Science Rooms – will be moving on Friday afternoon during PD. Punch list items are getting completed. Phase II will be starting the rebuilding.

Certified Enrollment Update

Enrollment is up 5.5 students. This is the first enrollment increase in more than twenty years. Seventy-four resident students open enroll out of Central. Fifty-three students open enroll into Central from other districts.

Old Business

600 Policy Series

Ed Hertrampf made a motion to approve the first reading of the 600 Policy Series.

Suzy Hilgerson seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Appoint Board Secretary & Treasurer

Michael Whittle made a motion to appoint Joyce Piorkowski as Board Secretary and Treasurer for the 2018-2019 school year.

NiCole Dennler seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Depositories with limits

Suzy Hilgerson made a motion to approve the limits of \$5,000,000 for Central State Bank and FreedomBank.

Michael Whittle seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

MS/HS Handbook

Amy Pope made a motion to approve the MS/HS Handbook.

NiCole Dennler seconded. 7-0

New Business

Policy 502.7

NiCole Dennler made a motion to approve the first reading of 502.7 adding the vaping language to the policy.

Taylor Alexie seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Science Trip

Ed Hertrampf made a motion to approve the Science Trip to Chicago on April 12-13, 2019

Michael Whittle seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Cheerleading Sunday Event

Michael Whittle made a motion to approve the Sunday November 11th cheerleading practice for the State Championship game at UNI.

Ed Hertrampf seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

NICC Agreement

NiCole Dennler made a motion to approve the NICC Agreements for Concurrent Enrollment.

Suzy Hilgerson seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Employment

Assistant Girls Basketball

Amy Pope made a motion to approve Brady Stramer as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach.

Ed Hertrampf seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Volunteer Girls Basketball

Ed Hertrampf made a motion to approve Molly Scherf as Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach

NiCole Dennler seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Resignation

Michael Whittle made a motion to approve the resignation of Isaac Frieden as Co-Head Wrestling Coach.

Suzy Hilgerson seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Head Wrestling Coach

Taylor Alexie made a motion to approve Joe Koehn as Head Wrestling Coach.

Suzy Hilgerson seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Official Contracts

Amy Pope made a motion to approve the official contracts.

NiCole Dennler seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Fundraisers

No fundraisers to approve.

Sunday Volleyball Practices

Suzy Hilgerson made a motion to approve Sunday Volleyball Practices on October 21, 2018, October 28, 2018 and November 4, 2018.

NiCole Dennler seconded. Motion carried. 7-0

Communications and Reports

AD-Mr. Hunt

Junior High Volleyball season wrapped up on October 9, 2018. Junior High Football ended October 15, 2018. Regular season High School Volleyball ended on October 11, 2018. The High School Volleyball team finished the season as Upper Iowa Conference Co-Champions with a record of seven wins and one loss. Post season begins October 16, 2018. Central hosts Midland in the first round of regional play. Central also hosts second round regionals on October 22, 2018. Looking ahead to next year, the High School Volleyball team will be playing in two new tournaments, Midland and Cascade.

Congratulations to the Junior High Cross Country team winning the conference meet. Both the high school boys and girls finished third at the meet. Junior High Cross Country ran at the state meet on October 13, 2018. Seventh grade girls won the state meet and Eighth grade girls placed second. District Cross Country meet will be October 18, 2018 at Noelridge Park in Cedar Rapids.

High School Football has their last game of the season on October 19, 2018 at Turkey Valley.

Upper Iowa Vocal Festival was October 8, 2018 at Luther College. Mr. Douglas did a great job organizing the event.

Attended the NE Iowa AD conference in Waverly on October 10, 2018, followed by the Upper Iowa Conference AD meeting.

Junior High Wrestling and Junior High Girls Basketball practice starts October 22, 2018. A tenth game has been added to the Junior High Girls Basketball schedule, giving them a full schedule. The game added is on December 18, 2018 at home against Clayton Ridge.

5-12 Vocal Concert is October 23, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the auditorium.

MS/HS Principal – Mr. Reinhart

Three focus areas:

- 1. Look and act professionally:** Definition of “business casual clothing” needs to be further defined in the Employee Handbook.
- 2. Connect with every student:** Making efforts to get this done. Taking longer than anticipated. Following are examples of my effort: Having lunch with a student that requested – being incorporated as a reward for meeting behavior goals; A student with challenging behavior enjoys exercise, I plan on working out with the student to build a stronger relationship; Meeting with four seniors about ninth period after the meeting I realized I need a “student advisory committee”. I was invited to lead a workout for 7-8 grade football team. These young men had a high level of energy, worked very hard and demonstrated really neat leadership characteristics.
- 3. Connect/communicate with every family:** Received several phone calls recently about poor communication from the school. Now utilizing the communication tool on JMC that allows us to document communication.

Core Values

- 1. Student first – student centered, with emphasis on the whole child:** Several team meetings to support students. A lot of this support is related to non-academic areas. Most of this work happens behind the scenes.
- 2. Inclusive environment to promote school pride:** I have worked on this with some of our youth sports programs recently. More details to come.
- 3. Promote a positive team and family spirit:** Coach Mark Wiley met with girls basketball coaches and they produced their expectations to share with student-athletes and their families that are written around our Core Values.
- 4. Be adventurous! Embrace and drive change through Growth Mindset:** One of our veteran teachers asked for advice on a specific situation and asked “if there is something I can do to change and make this better, please tell me”. This reflects a growth mindset, a willingness to learn and the ability to accept professional feedback.
- 5. Provide opportunities to achieve success:** Monday, October 15 the National Theater for Children were here to perform a play about Financial Literacy to our 5-8 grade students. I have spent some time thinking about our new weight room and wrestling room areas. How we open up the new weight room will impact our athletic program for the next 10+ years, which will also influence our enrollment numbers.

- 6. Communicate openly with integrity and respect:** All teachers are now required to make a minimum of one positive phone call per week. Telling positive stories also makes everyone involved feel good. It's a win-win. On October 12, 2018 the 5-12 staff and I discussed gradebooks and common expectations. Teachers are now required to enter a minimum of one "practice" item into the gradebook and share them with families and students. All gradebooks are to be updated and shared with families and students.

Superintendent & Elementary Principal – Mr. Trenkamp

Staff Lunch – Work day on 01/14/19 and 2/18/19 could be used for a staff lunch

Formative Assessment – Team one attended its second training. Mr. Wiley and Mrs. Glew both presented and did an awesome job.

Gym Camera – Working out some problems with this.

Weight Room Design – Will meet with Power Lift representative to discuss the design.

Walkthroughs – Mr. Reinhart and I will be doing walkthroughs together.

Literacy Plan – The elementary staff worked on our Literacy Plan on October 12, 2018 during PD. The plan outlines the action plan, testing dates, definitions, action steps and resources.

SeeSaw Tool – This tool helps teachers find or create activities to share with students; students take pictures, draw, record videos and more to capture learning in a portfolio and families see their child's work and leave comments and encouragement.

Garage Sale – Went better than expected. Once everything is cleared out from the first sale will begin round two.

Committee Reports

Program Committee

The program committee met on October 9, 2018. The dress code, student conduct policy and early retirement was discussed.

Dollars for Scholars

Committee would like to add sophomore fundraising.

Through Board Members

Taylor Alexie – School buses from other districts are crossing the Keystone Bridge. Contact other schools to remind them not to use the Keystone Bridge.

Jered Finley – Staff lunch – 02/18/2019

Adjournment

Suzy Hilgerson made a motion to adjourn.

Ed Hertrampf seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:200pm. Motion carried. 7-0

Respectively Submitted,

Joyce M. Piorkowski
Board Secretary

Jered Finley
Board President