

COPENHAGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL  
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 26, 2012

PRESIDENT ROBERT F. STACKEL, PRESIDING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:  
TROY BUCKLEY  
KOREEN G. FREEMAN  
PRUDENCE KUNERT  
LYNN A. MURRAY  
ALFRED TOMASELLI  
KIM R. VOGT

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

SCOTT N. CONNELL, SUPERINTENDENT  
NADINE M. O'SHAUGHNESSY, K-12 PRINCIPAL  
DALE R. MUNN, JR., DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES  
MARCIA A. MUNDY, DISTRICT TREASURER  
MEGAN CROSS, INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TEACHER, W/  
CLARINET STUDENTS STEPHANIE AUBIN AND ASHLEY YOUNG

Clarinet students, Stephanie Aubin and Ashley Young, entertained the Board with Christmas music.

President Robert Stackel called this regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

*Meeting called to order*

On motion of Koreen Freeman, seconded by Prudence Kunert, the Board voted to approve previous minutes (Regular Meeting, November 5, 2012).

*Approved previous minutes*

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Kim Vogt, seconded by Troy Buckley, the Board voted to approve the Treasurer's Report, Warrants, and the School Lunch Report.

*Approved Treasurer's Report, Warrants and the School Lunch Report*

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Prudence Kunert, seconded by Troy Buckley, the Board voted to accept the revised agenda.

*Accepted the Revised Agenda*

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

**ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS:**

Principal O'Shaughnessy offered the following:

**Student Highlights:**

- ✓ There was a mock election held in both the elementary and the secondary. The elementary elections included only the presidential race. Secondary students voted using the Lewis County ballot.
- ✓ Grades 6-12 participated in a school-wide Career Day. Over 30 professionals from a variety of blue collar and white collar careers were on hand to share their views with our students.
- ✓ "Back to the '80s" was a huge success according to community participation and reviews.
- ✓ The Guidance office planned a "College Day" for secondary students. Students and staff wore college apparel, competed for prizes, and the guidance office was open all day for seniors to work on their college applications.
- ✓ The first day of parent conferences has been completed with the next being held at the end of the month.

**Administrative Highlights:**

- ✓ All PLP/SLO conferences have been completed. Documents are being edited and final submissions are coming into the office.
- ✓ Teachers have received a preliminary introduction to My Learning Plan and OASYS. Further training will occur as needed.
- ✓ All interim assessments have been administered. About half of the subsequent data chats have been completed and plans are in place for the next repetition of the process.
- ✓ The next RTTT work half day will be January 14.

**Upcoming events:**

- ✓ Nov 29 - Parent Conferences
- ✓ Dec. 15 - STARS Childcare
- ✓ Nov 30 - PTO Evening with Santa
- ✓ Dec 3-14 - Student Council Food Drive
- ✓ Dec 6 - Choral Concert
- ✓ Dec 7 - Black Light Bonanza 6-12 Dance
- ✓ Dec 13 - Band Concert
- ✓ Dec 14 - Early Dismissal – RTTT Work Day
- ✓ Dec 15 - STARS Parents’ Day Off
- ✓ Dec 19 - Senior Citizen Luncheon

**DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES:**

Mr. Munn offered the following:

- ✓ Much time has been spent on Informal Observations, Professional Learning Plans and Student Learning Objectives meetings. Currently we have been working on Data Chats reviewing informal assessments with staff. This has been a learning experience for everyone! These professional discussions have led to numerous suggestions for instructional practice and a focus on exit outcomes.
- ✓ Committee on Special Education/Section 504/CPSE annual review meetings are beginning and meetings will be held three days a month starting in January. Every students program is reviewed on an annual basis.
- ✓ This year we continue to have a few students in our UPK Program receiving services under CPSE. Services are provided to students who qualify as a pull out or a push in service. Providing students with early intervention services helps to prepare students for the transition into kindergarten and often these students are declassified at an early age in school.
- ✓ The musical “Back to the 80’s” was well attended and was enjoyed by many. The kids did an awesome job!
- ✓ Changes in student’s lunches have led to increased lines this year. Teachers are adjusting their schedules to spend up to 10 additional minutes supervising in the cafeteria to make sure students have time to eat.
- ✓ A representative from VESID, which is now called ACCESS-VR, which stands for Adult Career and Continuing Education Services – Vocational Rehabilitation, will be meeting with some of our seniors beginning in December. Students and their parents are invited to meet with a counselor and discuss their future plans and are often able to assist with tutoring, job coaches, and equipment and in some cases college tuition assistance. Services are at no cost to the families. ACCESS-VR continues to work with our graduates once they leave school.

**Special Education**

Date	CSE	CPSE	504
8/19/10	58	5	12
8/22/11	59	0	21
8/21/12	62	3	18
9/24/12	61	4	18
10/29/12	60	6	18
11/26/12	63	6	18

CSE – 3 transfers in  
 504 – No changes  
 CPSE – 4 pending referrals

**Upcoming events:**

- November 29<sup>th</sup>: Parent Conferences, 12:15 – 7:15 p.m.
- November 29<sup>th</sup>: Elementary Principals Meeting
- November 30<sup>th</sup>: Evening with Santa
- December 6<sup>th</sup>: Winter Choral Concert
- December 13<sup>th</sup>: Winter Band Concert

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

Mr. Connell extended congratulations to Mrs. O’Shaughnessy and Mr. Munn for their hard work on the RTTT requirements, noting that the District is light years ahead of others.

Mr. Connell spoke recently with Domenic D’Imperio, BOCES Labor Relations Specialist, who is confident there will soon be a contract with the CTA.

Mr. Connell noted he will do research with regard to fluoride.

The award date for the grant submitted by the District to Washington is late December. Mr. Connell is hopeful the District will receive this federal grant.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

On motion by Prudence Kunert, seconded by Kim Vogt, the Board voted to appoint the following District Volunteers for the winter sports season:

- a) Darcy Waugh
- b) Andrea Jackson
- c) Cierra Dicob
- d) Emily Lance
- e) Justin Selley

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Lynn Murray, seconded by Alfred Tomaselli, the Board voted to approve recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Prudence Kunert, seconded by Troy Buckley, the Board voted to approve General Fund Loan to Special Aid Account and/or School Lunch Account as needed for cash flow purposes.

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Koreen Freeman, seconded by Prudence Kunert, the Board voted to approve resolution to close out J.P. Morgan Chase RAN Money Market Account; proceeds (\$16,186.74) to be used in RAN payment.

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

On motion of Kim Vogt, seconded by Troy Buckley, the Board voted to accept letter of resignation from Eileen Carroll, school nurse, effective December 31, 2012.

VOTE: YES – 7; NO – 0

*Approved District Volunteers for the winter sports season*

*Approved recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Special Education*

*Approved General Fund Loan to Special Aid Account and/or School Lunch Account*

*Approved resolution to close out J.P. Morgan Chase RAN Money Market Account*

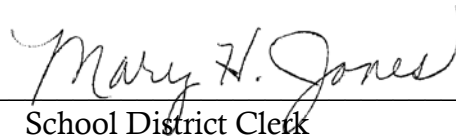
*Accepted letter of resignation from Eileen Carroll*

**DISCUSSION:**

- Mr. Connell advised the Jefferson-Lewis School Boards Legislative Breakfast will be held on January 11<sup>th</sup> at Case Middle School. Anyone who wants to attend should contact the District Office.
- Mr. Connell suggested the December Board Work Session be changed from December 4<sup>th</sup> to December 5<sup>th</sup> to follow a meeting scheduled for all taxing entities (Town of Denmark, Village of Copenhagen, County of Lewis, Copenhagen Central School District) with regard to the assessment reduction law suit instituted by Deer River Estates 801 Housing. Board members were in agreement.
- Mr. Connell discussed with the Board the small number of modified wrestlers; it was decided to leave things as they are at this point.
- Starting next week, Mr. Connell's weekly notes will be posted on the BOE Extranet as well as being e-mailed.

At 7:20 p.m. and on motion of Prudence Kunert, seconded by Koreen Freeman, the Board voted to adjourn.

VOTE:        YES – 7;        NO – 0



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School District Clerk