

COPENHAGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016

PRESIDENT ROBERT F. STACKEL, PRESIDING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

TROY W. BUCKLEY
KOREEN G. FREEMAN
KEITH LEE
GABRIELLE M. THOMPSON
ALFRED E. TOMASELLI

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

LYNN A. MURRAY

OTHERS PRESENT:

SCOTT N. CONNELL, SUPERINTENDENT
NADINE O'SHAUGHNESSY, K-12 PRINCIPAL
DALE R. MUNN, JR., DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES and
DISTRICT TREASURER
JOHN CAIN, PRESIDENT, CTA
2 SUNY OSWEGO CAS GRADUATE STUDENTS

This regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Robert F. Stackel at 6:30 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was said.

Meeting called to order

2016 – 2017 Budget Presentations:

Mrs. O'Shaughnessy and Mr. Munn presented to the Board with regard to the General Education – Special Education Program budget proposals for the 2016 – 2017 school year. Final decisions will be made when the final figures come from State Aid Planning.

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Keith Lee, the Board voted to approve previous minutes (*January 25, 2016 Regular Meeting*).

Approved previous minutes

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Keith Lee, the Board voted to approve Treasurer's Report, Warrants and School Lunch Report, submitting all for audit.

Approved Treasurer's Report, Warrants and School Lunch Report

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Keith Lee, the Board voted to approve Budget Transfers #3, as presented by the District Treasurer.

Approved Budget Transfers #3

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Fred Tomaselli, the Board voted to accept the Revised Agenda.

Voted to approve Revised Agenda

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

K-12 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. O'Shaughnessy offered the following report:

Student Highlights:

- Report cards and interim reports for students in grades 6-12 will no longer require a parent signature and subsequent submission. Instead, each time reports go home, parents will receive a phone call reminding them to access their students' grades in any way that works for them.

- Ms. Schermerhorn was able to secure funding, once again, through a few sources including Donors Choose, Microsoft, and Exxon-Mobil. She purchased over \$1200.00 of technology equipment including a 3D scanner.
- The few scheduled January regents exams were all administered in spite of inclement weather.
- Mrs. Petersen continues to research ways that CCS may have an FFA chapter. Each step forward presents a step back as she tries to figure this out.
- Our new ELL has settled into the school routine very well.
- One of the guidance office career professionals presentations was a fitness expert who interacted with our students via MX200 from Long Island. He is a member of a team that will be featured on a new series, *Spartan Race*, on NBC.
- NHS inductions were well planned and performed once again this year. Families were visibly proud and happy to be there.

Administrative Highlights:

- Second round data chats have been completed for the year.
- A webinar was attended regarding the laws surrounding transgender students.
- A final, later administration of the Integrated Algebra Regents Exam is scheduled for this week.
- After the training and implementation of Project Lead the Way, that organization has changed their requirements of the pathway we have chosen. We are re-evaluating the direction we should be taking, including implementing AP Computer Science Principles instead of PLTW.
- Mid-year conferences are completed and second round observations are scheduled.
- MLP/OASYS has been updated to reflect changes in the APPR regulations regarding using 3-8 test scores in calculating teachers' evaluations.

Upcoming events:

- Feb 26 - PTO Family Bingo
- Feb 26 - Grades 6-12 Dance
- Mar 1 - Seniors vs. Faculty Volleyball Game
- Mar 3 - Pee-Wee Wrestling Spaghetti Dinner
- Mar 10 - Military Kids Club Family Night
- Mar 11-12 - CCS Musical - "The Sound of Music"
- Mar 15 - I.A.M. Concert
- Mar 16 - Donkey Basketball
- Mar 18 - Grades 6-12 St. Patrick's Day Dance
- Mar 18 - PTO Spring Fling
- Mar 23 - NHS Recognition Night
- Mar 24 - Early Dismissal
- Mar 25 - No School
- Mar 28 - Band Festival with Lyme Central School

PAMELA RATLIFF, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT via MRS. O'SHAUGHNESSY

- ✓ The Annual Committee on Special Education Chairpersons Conference is scheduled for March 16th and 17th. Among the sessions offered are two geared towards things I work on every day, RTI and strategies for strengthening executive skills in children! I look forward to attending the conference and reporting back to the Special Education Committee.
- ✓ We were recently awarded the \$500 Tractor Supply "Dig It" Grant. The money will be used to purchase materials for the courtyard gardens! Mrs. Ratliff wants to know if the Board wants to pursue the "Memorial Gardens" concept discussed last year.
- ✓ The Code Blue Team met to fine tune procedures in case there is a medical or other emergency within our building, and the Hold in Place protocol was reviewed at each team meeting.
- ✓ The elementary social studies curriculum is being reviewed to ensure it aligns with the new Social Studies Framework. Individual meetings by grade level have been scheduled for the week after break.
- ✓ Mrs. Shelmidine and Mrs. Ratliff visited Benchmark and JRC. It is beneficial to meet the students who will be attending our UPK program next year and their parents.
- ✓ Elementary schedules for the 2016-2017 school year have been drafted as a way to determine SPED needs for next year.
- ✓ It isn't exactly clear what happened with the lockdown drill on Feb. 3rd. Maybe we are becoming lax, knowing that we can do this well if the situation arises (but who knows when it is an actual situation?) Whatever the reason, there were several "infractions" noted during the walkthrough that have been addressed.
- ✓ Kudos to Mrs. Greene for a successful National Honor Society Induction Ceremony!
- ✓ The CCS PTO made a generous \$1,000 donation to the backpack program!

- ✓ The Amazing Math Race Family night was rescheduled for February 2nd due to the snow day. Although there wasn't a great turnout, the families that did attend enjoyed the math challenges and popcorn provided by the PTO!

Upcoming events:

February 26th – PTO Family Bingo @ 6:00 p.m.
 March 3rd – Pee Wee Wrestling Spaghetti Dinner
 - PTO Meeting 6:00
 March 10th – Military Kids Family Night 6:00
 March 11th and 12th – The Sound of Music
 March 15th – IAM Concert 6:00
 March 16th – Donkey Basketball Game 7:00
 March 18th – PTO Spring Fling 6:00
 March 23rd – Freddie the Fire Truck (PK-1)
 March 24th – Early Dismissal (Supt. Day)

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES:

Mr. Munn offered the following:

- Plans are underway for the Carthage Exceptional Games on June 1st with a rain date of June 2nd. More information to follow.
- Our CSE Performance Based Indicator for the 2014-2015 school year was Parent Questionnaires. A survey was given to parents with questions geared towards the schools efforts to partner with parents and if teachers and administrators sought parental input, showed sensitivity to the needs of their child and encouraged parents to participate in the decision making process. Overall the percent of positive parental response rate was 90.9%.
- Thus far we have spent \$50,000 on the retiree health buyout. The net savings based on actuarial estimates in today's dollars is \$387,412. I have been asked to speak about the plan to area Business Officials at our upcoming monthly meeting.

Date	CSE	CPSE	504
12/17/14	67	7	17
9/28/15	74	5	18
10/26/15	76	5	18
11/23/15	78	8	17
12/16/15	77	11	18
1/25/16	81	11	18
2/22/16	82	12	20
2/22/16	2 new transfer in 1 declassify 1 pending referral	1 new classification 2 pending referrals	1 new transfer in 1 CSE declassify to 504

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Connell reported that all four of our winter sports teams have qualified as Scholar Athletes with an overall average of 91%. The Varsity Girls Basketball Section III Finals Game against New York Mills will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 28th, at the Onondaga Community College, SRC Arena. In addition the cheerleaders will compete at Chittenango this weekend. Currently the District has five remaining snow days. The 2016 – 2017 School Calendar will be on the agenda for approval at the March 28th Board Meeting. Staff will report September 1 and 2. The first day for students will be September 6th.

NEW BUSINESS:

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Keith Lee, the Board voted to approve the appointment of the following substitutes:

- Cheyenne D. Rose, substitute teacher
- Katie M. Zehr, substitute teacher aide; teacher assistant, clerical, and teacher (elementary).

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0;

*Approved
appointment
of substitutes*

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Gabrielle Thompson, the Board voted to approve recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

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

On motion of Keith Lee, seconded by Koreen Freeman, the Board voted to approve the 2016 Senior Trip to Florida April 26 – April 30, 2016 together with chaperones: Virginia Hovendon, Cathy Snyder and Logan Spaulding

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Approved 2016 Senior Trip to Florida

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Fred Tomaselli, the Board voted to approve Memorandum of Understanding for election services between Lewis County Board of Elections and Copenhagen Central School District Board of Education concerning Copenhagen Central School District Vote and Election to be held on May 17, 2016.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0;

Approved Memorandum of Understanding for election services to be provided by Lewis County Board of Elections

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Fred Tomaselli, the Board voted to approve request for maternity leave from Caitlin Virkler, 3rd grade teacher, from on or about May 20, 2016 for the remainder of the school year until June 23, 2016.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Approved request of Caitlin Virkler for maternity leave

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Gabrielle Thompson, the Board voted to approve request from Carol M. Putman, cafeteria worker, for unpaid leave from March 14 through March 23, 2016, for a family vacation.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Approved request from Carol Putman for unpaid leave

On motion of Keith Lee, seconded by Troy Buckley, the Board voted to approve the District's participation in the 2016 Summer Youth Employment Programs for Jefferson and Lewis Counties.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Approved the District's participation in the 2016 Summer Youth Employment Programs

On motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Keith Lee, the Board voted to approve contract for Health and Welfare Services with the Watertown City School District for the purpose of providing health and welfare services for children residing in Copenhagen Central School District and attending non-public schools in the Watertown City School District.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Approved Health & Welfare Services Contract with the Watertown City School District

Adjournment:

At 7:15 p.m. and on motion of Troy Buckley, seconded by Koreen Freeman, the Board voted to adjourn.

VOTE: YES – 6; NO – 0

Mary H. Jones

School District Clerk