

CENTRAL LYON BOARD MINUTES
September 13, 2010

The Central Lyon Board of Directors met in regular session in the Board Room of the Central Lyon Community School at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present: President Steve Sieperda, Vice President Chet DeJong, and Directors Judy Gacke, Gail VanBerkum and Patrick McCarty, Superintendent/HS Principal Dave Ackerman and Board Secretary Jackie Wells. Other individuals present were EL/MS Principal Dan Kruse, Denise Snyders, Julie Boekhout, Laureen Schram, Peggy Groves, Jaci Van Veldhuizen, Tana Meyer, Emily Deutsch, Stephanie Baker, Angie Johnson, Steve Simons, Connie Boeve and Jodie Hoogendoorn.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

McCarty moved to approve the agenda, Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the minutes from the August 9, 2010 regular meeting; DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the financial report through 8/31/10; Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

Director McCarty questioned a legal claim for insurance reimbursement and asked that measures be in place to prevent future claims. The district is moving forward with this process. McCarty moved to approve the summary list of bills; Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

In recognition, Craig Roth of Arrow Manufacturing, Inc was thanked for the \$1,000 donation for lunch accounts.

In reports, Superintendent/HS Principal Ackerman reported ACT scores were above the state average. Enrollment is stable due to a larger than expected Kindergarten class.

Principal Kruse reported that Ms. VanDyke and Mrs. Vonk will be pursuing involvement with Special Olympics. The next in-service will focus on student assessment and Iowa Core Curriculum mandates.

Superintendent/HS Principal Ackerman informed the board that registration fees are slightly lower than last year due to several factors, but have been collected and disbursed to the proper areas. Certified count day will be Friday, October 1, 2010 and student numbers appear to stable.

Discussion took place on casino funds and that a definitive plan needs to be in place by June, 2011.

Discussion took place on a potential early retirement offering and the use of a third party administrator of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement. The members asked for more information to make a decision on a potential offering for later this year.

Gacke moved to conclude the activities of the retiring school board and adjournment at 7:58 P.M.; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

The meeting of the new board was called to order at 7:58 P.M.

McCarty moved to approve the agenda, Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

Sieperda asked for nominations for President and Vice-President. McCarty nominated Sieperda for President and DeJong for Vice-President; Gacke seconded carried 5-0.

The oath of office was administered to Steve Sieperda as President and Chet DeJong as Vice-President as nominations ceased with the aforementioned officer positions.

DeJong moved to approve the Written Rules and Procedures that are to be followed in conducting board meetings with the addition of a 5 minute time limit placed on all public participation on non-agenda items and McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

Van Berkum moved to approve the following appointments and committees; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0. In Personnel, DeJong and McCarty; Transportation, Van Berkum and Sieperda; Buildings and Grounds, McCarty and Van Berkum; Policy, DeJong and Gacke; Budget, Sieperda and Gacke. McCarty moved to approve Judy Gacke as the Delegate to represent Central Lyon for the November 17, 2010 Delegate Assembly and Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

Gacke moved to approve the regular scheduled board meeting will take place the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Lyon Board Room unless otherwise noted; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

In new business, Van Berkum moved to approve the copier bid for a 3 year lease and maintenance agreement through Office Systems/Canon; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0. DeJong moved to approve the horizontal lane advancements for 5 teachers who have fulfilled the necessary requirements; Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the early graduation request for 1 high school student contingent upon successful completion of all requirements and Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

Gacke moved to approve depository institutions and limits with Sieperda's request of more information and a policy determining balances at ISJIT; DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the District Developed Service Plan and Committee Members, Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

Discussion took place on how money from the Educational Jobs Funding Bill will be utilized for FY 11 and FY 12. It is at the board's discretion and must be used at the building level to save or create jobs for the duration of the funding. The board discussed potential uses and indicated its priorities for the funding was to create jobs or rehire positions which would be of the most direct benefit to students. It was noted that this would be an ongoing process as the funding could be utilized this year and next year. The board expressed its concern however about creating new financial obligations that might not be able to be continued after the funding ended.

Gacke moved to table approve early retirement policy; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

DeJong moved to approve a travel request to Chester, SD for middle school band competition; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

In personnel, McCarty moved to approve the hiring of Beth Vander Zee, HS Secretary; Shannon Thedens, Special Education Paraprofessional; Brenda Vanden Top, Special Education Paraprofessional; Dave Altman, Todd Dieren, Volunteer Football Coaches; Lori Fiedler, Assistant Cross Country Coach; Matt Boer, Volunteer Athletic Trainer. DeJong seconded, carried 5-0. DeJong moved to approve increasing Matt Deutsch from .75 FTE to 1.0 FTE, utilizing Educational Jobs Funding, McCarty seconded, carried 5-0. Gacke moved to approve increasing Angie Johnson from .63 FTE to 1.0 FTE, utilizing Educational Jobs Funding; Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 11, 2010 in the Central Lyon board room.

McCarty moved to adjourn at 8:44 P.M. and Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.