



Regular Board Meeting
10/10/2022 07:00 PM
1010 S. Greene St.
Rock Rapids, IA 51246

MEETING MINUTES

A public hearing was held at 6:50 P.M. for the issuance of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, which may be issued in one or more series over multiple fiscal years pursuant to Iowa Code Section 423F.2 and 423E.5, in the approximate amount of \$6,500,000 for the purpose of capital outlay as allowed under Iowa Code.

No comments were received from the public. The hearing was closed at 6:55 P.M.

A public hearing was held at 6:55 P.M. for the proposed use of revenue from the State of Iowa Secure and Advance for Education (SAVE) Fund for the purpose of improvements to an athletic facility.

No comments were received from the public. The hearing was closed at 7:00 P.M.

The Central Lyon Board of Education met in regular session on October 10, 2022 meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Lyon board room with the following members present: President Andy Koob, Vice-President David Jans, and Directors Keri Davis and Amy Hartter. Director Postma was available via teleconference. Superintendent Brent Jorth, School Business Official Jackie Wells, PK-6 Principal Steve Harman, 7-12 Principal Jason Engleman, Kristi Wright, Chris Wright, Bill Allen, Eric Arnold, Dominique Kooiker, Lilyann Downard, Kadence Boender, Ashlynn Davis, Erika Fluit, Kaylee Fluit, and the Cross Country Team ~ represented by coaches, participants and parents were also in attendance.

The meeting video is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6roWNAVGL0I>.

President Koob called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Davis moved to approve the agenda with an additional list of bills. Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

In public input on non-agenda items, Laurel Schriever, Mandi Ver Beek, Lexi Landis, Molly Konechne and Heather Springer addressed the board in favor of continued sharing of Cross country between Central Lyon and George-Little Rock.

President Koob thanked everyone in attendance and for the comments. Superintendent Jorth stated he would follow up with the team representatives.

Hartter moved to approve minutes of past meetings as presented. Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

Jans moved to approve the list of bills and the financial report through September 30, 2022. Davis seconded, carried 5-0.

School Business Official Jackie Wells provided a summary on the field work portion of the district audit on September 12 - 15, 2022 with King Reinsch Prosser & Co LLP.

Superintendent Brent Jorth presented a list of student, staff and community recognition and congratulations. Thank you to the High School Student Council for organizing and leading a memorable homecoming week of activities. Congratulations to the 4th grade Kindness Squad for being awarded \$500 from the Iowa State Education Association to offset costs associated with their random acts of kindness throughout the school year. In recognition of National Custodian Day on October 2nd, thank you to Steve Breske, Consuelo Benavides, Matt Bixenman, Lisa Dammann, Todd Nath, Linda Peterson, Kirby Wahlstrom & Brenda Vande Weerd. Congratulations to Dana Dykhouse (Class of 1975) & Mitch Lupkes (Class of 2007) on the induction into the Central Lyon Athletic Hall of Fame.

Mr. Bill Allen and Lilyann Downard reviewed the 29th Annual International Space Settlement Finals that took place this summer in Florida. Ms. Downard qualified for the competition through a virtual event last winter and was one of 12 selected out of approximately 120 students from the local area. She participated in the design competition with her group placing 2nd, competing against students from across the world.

The next NASA Space Settlement Competition semi-finals will be held in March 2023 at the Johnston Space Center in Houston, TX. Seven Central Lyon students and one chaperone have been selected to attend, with four additional students and one chaperone on the waiting list. Cost is approximately \$650/participant.

Mr. Eric Arnold shared information on [First Lego League](#), participation and competition details. Three competition teams consisting of seven 5th - 6th grade students will compete in the game "Super Powered" in January 2023.

PK-6 Principal Steve Harman reviewed the curriculum Character Strong which was recommended by Guidance Counselor Kate Gerber to give the necessary social/emotional health tools to teaching staff and learner assistants. Key Components of this program include Getting Started Videos, Connection Games, Growing Activities, Responding Sessions, Circle Prompts, Mindful Moments (Body Activities), Exit Tickets, Book Recommendations, Staff Pursuits and Family Focus Areas. Central Lyon staff members are navigating through the number of resources possible with Character Strong merging it with current schedules. Future discussions include best practices and family connections. The program can be viewed at <https://characterstrong.com/> .

7-12 Principal Jason Engleman reviewed the professional development book study, "Start. Right. Now." by Todd Whitaker, Jeffrey Zoul, & Jimmy Casas.

Certified staff will be tasked with reading the text, joining, discussion teams on the first Wednesday of each month and completing a variety of exercises to aid in self-reflection and implementation. Staff can also elect to earn credit for their participation in the book study through the NWAEA.

Superintendent Brent Jorth reviewed facility improvements and capital outlay timelines. The finance committee will meet with Matt Gillespie from Piper Sandler to discuss bonding options, fees, and timelines between October 25 - November 4. Superintendent Jorth informed the board that FEH requested the board meet one week later or hold special meetings to approve bid documents and award bids. The next two regular board meetings will take place on November 21st and December 19th. Superintendent Jorth reviewed facility improvements and capital outlay timelines.

Director Postma arrived at 7:46 P.M.

In New Business, Jans moved to approve the early graduation requests as presented, pending completion of the necessary coursework. Hartter seconded, carried 5-0.

Hartter moved to approve the FFA field trip to the National Convention in Indianapolis, IN and the NASA Space Settlement Competition Semi-Finals in Houston, TX. Davis seconded, carried 5-0.

Jans moved to approve Unity Christian replacing George-Little Rock in the Siouxland Conference starting in the 2023-24 school year contingent upon GLR's acceptance into the War Eagle Conference and with expressed preference in maintaining a 10-team Siouxland Conference. Postma seconded, carried 5-0.

President Koob left the meeting at 8:03 P.M. to recuse himself from the next business item and vote.

Hartter moved to approve the service agreement with DGR for the parking lot projects and football field/track improvements. DGR will also work closely with FEH Design on the bus barn and playground projects with those services and fees billed separately. Davis seconded, carried 4-0.

President Koob returned to the meeting at 8:06 P.M.

Davis moved to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplement amount of \$7,268.02 for the 2021-2022 special education deficit. Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

Hartter moved to approve excess Limited English Proficient (LEP) costs for serving English Language Learners in the applicable program for the 2021-2022 school year in the amount of \$55,687.10. Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

Jans moved to approve the 1st reading of policy 415.01, Early Retirement Incentive, Licensed Teaching Staff as presented. Postma seconded, carried 5-0.

Davis moved to approve the review of policies 402.01, 402.02, 402.03, 402.04, 402.06, 403.01, 403.02, 403.03, 403.04, 403.05, 403.06 and rescind policy 402.05 (due to the revisions in the 200 series). Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

Hartter moved to approve the hiring of Dale Jansma, Sheila Maxwell and Allison Van Aartsen, After-School Program Teachers and Mitchell Van Beek, Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach. Davis seconded, carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Lyon Board Room, 1010 S. Greene Street on Monday, November 21, 2022.

Postma moved to modify the agenda to include bill review. Hartter seconded, carried 5-0. Board members reviewed invoices and associated checks as presented.

Davis moved to adjourn at 8:42 P.M. Jans seconded, carried 5-0.