

CENTRAL LYON BOARD MINUTES

October 12, 2015

The Central Lyon Board of Directors met for a regular session in the Board Room of the Central Lyon Community School at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present: President David Jans, Vice President Scott Postma, and Directors Joel DeWit and Andy Koob, Superintendent Dave Ackerman and Board Secretary Jackie Wells. Other individuals present were EL Principal Steve Harman, MS Principal/Activities Director Jason Engleman, Erin VanderVelde, Allison Bixenman, Kelli Docker, Jen Pedersen, Tana Meyer, Denise Kirchhoff, Bill Allen, Jessica Jensen, Jaci VanVeldhuizen, Bruce Eckenrod, Scott VanArtsen, Lisa VandeStouwe, Amber Timmer, James Blair, Stephanie Baker, Kristi Wright, Pete Menage, Carly Snyder, Sierra Fastert and Becca Harberts.

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

Postma moved to approve the agenda with additional bills presented and DeWit seconded, carried 4-0.

Postma moved to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2015 regular meeting and Koob seconded, carried 4-0.

Postma moved to approve the financial report through 9/30/15; Koob seconded, carried 4-0.

Koob moved to approve the summary list of bills; Postma seconded, carried 4-0.

In recognition, Larry Goebel was thanked for his donation of apples and water to the MS Marching Band fall competitions. The middle school marching band was recognized for its successful appearances at recent competitions and Kiley Metzger for Outstanding Drum Major. The United Methodist Church was thanked for its donation to the Backpack Program. The Title I department thanked Melissa Stillson and Health Services for a program at a parent meeting. The Booster Club was recognized for selling "Pink Out" t-shirts and a subsequent donation to Relay for Life. The city of Rock Rapids was thanked for assistance with a recent mechanical breakdown.

In public participation on non-agenda items, Kristi Wright introduced the Foundations of Education students in attendance.

In reports, Bill Allen reported on the upcoming NASA trip to Johnson Space Center on March 3 – 7, 2016 and asked the board for support and approval to attend. Mr. Allen would like 4-5 students to attend at a cost of \$450 each.

Principal Steve Harman reported Iowa Core science standards were recently adopted. The district's Iowa Assessment tests will be given to grades 2-8 on November 2-6, 2015 and to grades 9-11 on November 17 and 18. Mr. Harman presented information on testing to lower elementary grades and updated the board on new Transitional Kindergarten staffing and schedules. The afterschool program is available for 3rd and 4th grades and has 31 students participating Tuesday-Thursday each week.

Principal Jason Engleman presented an option to utilize an agreement between Universal Athletics and Under Armour where Central Lyon staff, students and community would benefit from discounted pricing on available products.

Superintendent/HS Principal Dave Ackerman reported that count day was October 1st with certification on the 15th; the district has increased enrollment, as well as open enrollment out decreasing and open enrollment in increasing. The district and the city are working on a grant to build a storm shelter at the baseball complex. More details will follow as available. The district's FFA Farm ground was not part of the recent city annexation. Administrators and technology directors met with a representative from Iowa Prison Industries for furniture and fixture quotes for the board room, commons areas and the libraries.

The district will receive over \$43,000 in rebates from Missouri River and Rock Rapids Utilities for recent updates to the HVAC and lighting.

Vice President Scott Postma updated the board on the Central Lyon Foundation banquet. Over thirty five people attended and donations are still being received.

In New Business, board members expressed their gratitude to all 5 interested parties for the open board position after Chet's DeJong's resignation in September. Vice President Postma nominated Jen Pedersen and Andy Koob nominated Keri Davis to fill the open position. DeWit moved to cease nominations and Postma seconded, carried 4-0. Koob moved to appoint Keri Davis as a board member to fill a vacancy and DeWit seconded, carried 3-1. Director-Elect Davis will be sworn into office within 10 days.

Postma moved to approve the NASA trip, March 3-7, 2016 with the advisor costs covered and an additional \$500 contributed to the cost of the trip and DeWit seconded, carried 4-0.

Erin VanderVelde and Kristi Wright presented the Special Education District Developed Service Plan (DDS) as well as district Special Education enrollment information. Postma moved to approve the DDS Plan and DeWit seconded, carried 4-0.

Koob moved to approve three early graduation requests upon successful graduation requirements. Postma seconded, carried 4-0.

DeWit moved to approve continued sharing of an EL/MS Guidance Counselor and the applicable agreement with Rock Valley CSD and Postma seconded, carried 4-0.

In personnel, Postma moved to approve the increase of April Sailor's teaching contract from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE and Koob seconded, carried 4-0. Koob moved to approve Flor Abraham, Special Ed Paraprofessional; Alma Rosa Gonzalez, Housekeeper; Ben Docker, Head Baseball Coach; Patrice Peters, Volunteer Basketball Coach. DeWit seconded, carried 4-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, November 16, 2015 in the Central Lyon board room at 1010 S Greene Street, Rock Rapids, IA. Koob moved to adjourn at 8:39 P.M. and Postma seconded, carried 4-0.