

Central School District#104  
309 Hartman Lane  
O'Fallon, IL 62269  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
February 11, 2008

Gary Seneczyn called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll call: Larry Bryant – present, Kim Haverkamp – present, Bill Lewis – absent, Christopher Monroe – present, Steve Pyeatt – present, Gary Seneczyn – present, Todd Wobbe – present. Also present were Supt. Steve Amizich, Principal Pat Anderson, Special Ed. Coordinator Cassy Shelton, and Jane Hamm, Board Secretary.

Visitors: Jerry Campbell – Reporter, Suburban Journal, Mark Raeber – Reporter, O'Fallon Progress, Dawn Elser – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher, Deb Reineke – PE Teacher, Toni Wobbe – District Parent and Darwin Miles – Miles Properties Representative.

Fund Balances were reviewed.

Larry Bryant made a motion to place the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2008 Regular Board Meeting.

Approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2008 Executive Session.

Approve the Minutes of the February 5, 2008 Building Committee Meeting

Approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2008 Policy Committee Meeting

Approve February bill list and addendum

Accept the resignation of Stefanie Foster as Track Coach

Seconded by Kim Haverkamp. Roll call vote. All members present voted aye.

Several questions about the bill list were asked and answered.

Kim Haverkamp made a motion to approve the items listed on the consent agenda.

Seconded by Chris Monroe. Roll call vote. Larry Bryant – yea, Todd Wobbe – no, Steve Pyeatt – no, Gary Seneczyn – yea, Kim Haverkamp – yea, Chris Monroe - yea. Bill Lewis – absent. Motion Passed.

Todd Wobbe made a motion to approve the following Board Policy changes, additions and deletions with minor changes recommended by the Policy Committee.

2:20, 2:30, 2:210, 2:260, 3:60, 4:10, 4:60, 4:110, 5:10, 5:100, 5:290, 5:90, 6:20, 6:60, 6:65, 6:270, 7:20, 7:70, 7:180, 7:220, 7:250, 7:340, and 8:20.

Seconded by Larry Bryant. Roll call vote. All members present voted aye.

Recognition of visitors:

Toni Wobbe indicated she had comments on item #10 on the agenda and requested to speak at that time.

Darwin Miles gave a presentation on a TIF district that he is proposing at Regency Park. After his presentation he asked the Board to discuss it and to let him know if they felt that it was something that they could support.

Darwin Miles left at 7:55pm

The arrangements for the Latchkey program for the JAMS students was discussed. Supt. Amizich indicated that the bus routes and times are currently being worked on and the possibility of transporting JAMS students to Central for Latchkey would be considered.

The issue of the tractor purchases was discussed. It was explained that after the purchase of the 3 tractors was approved it was decided not to build the maintenance shed at JAMS so storage became a problem. Also Don Jerashen was consulted and he was concerned about using the bigger mowers around the landscaping at Central School. He indicated he would rather wait and see exactly what he needed after working at JAMS for a while. The Board requested that Mr. Jerashen be asked to attend the next Building Committee Meeting so that this could be discussed further.

Deb Reineke left at 8:25pm.

A list of Central School employees and their job titles was reviewed.

Virginia Shelton's position as part time employee was discussed. Supt. Amizich explained that she was originally hired to work the same hours as a teacher's aid which is 7 hours a day and she has been working an average of 7.5 hours a day. He informed the Board that she is really needed in the office full time and explained the proposed plan for Secretaries for the 2008-09 school year which included her as a full time employee.

Supt. Amizich gave a brief Building Committee Report. He indicated that the Board members needed to do a few walk throughs to develop a punch list of items that need to be addressed.

The timing of delivery of the Board Packets was discussed. Supt. Amizich said that he would try to get the packets out a week earlier. The Bill list will be mailed out on the Thursday before the Board meeting.

The issue of District Funds being used to pay for student attendance at extra-curricular activities was discussed. Principal Anderson reported that he investigated the legitimacy of the program that was requested and discovered that it was not one that Central would endorse. Mr. Anderson indicated that he passed this information on to Mrs. Wobbe. The Board decided that in the future all opportunities like this would first need to be investigated and approved by the administration and then the teachers need to inform the parents before a student would be recommended. Gary Seneczyn indicated that because the school would still have liability responsibilities while the student was away from home, he did not think school funds should be used for these types of functions.

Principal Anderson presented information on the Knowledge Is Power (KIP) program that is held at O'Fallon School District #90. He feels this would be an appropriate program for Central's gifted students. The payment of the tuition and transportation will be discussed further as the dates approach. It was suggested that the District pay the tuition of the free and reduced lunch students. Superintendent indicated that he would like to see the development of a program during the year for the gifted students. Odyssey of the Mind was mentioned. Principal Anderson was directed to take this issue to the Curriculum Committee.

Supt. Amizich reported that Dist. #90 had been in contact with him about sending their students who are needing extra help to our summer school program. Dist. #90 would pay the tuition. The Board directed Supt. Amizich to work this out with Dist. #90.

Dawn Elser reported that the O'Fallon Parks and Recreation organization had invited Central School to be a part of the OTHS Feeder School Basketball Program. This program would allow the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to get some experience before playing on the school team in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. She said she would organize getting the students signed up as a group and strongly encouraged Central to participate.

Todd Wobbe made a motion to approve District participation in the OTHS Feeder School Basketball Program.

Seconded by Chris Monroe. All members present voted aye.

Larry Bryant made a motion to hire Erika Britton as track coach for the 2007-08 season.

Seconded by Steve Pyeatt. Roll call vote. All members present voted aye.

Principal Anderson reported that he was very close to a recommendation on a Library Media Specialist and Art Teacher for the 2008-09 school year.

Toni Wobbe left at 9:10pm.

The issue of the proposed extension of Ashland Drive was discussed. The issue of safety for the students walking to school was mentioned as a reason to oppose the issue. A few of the Board members felt they needed more information and documentation before proposing a formal Resolution against the extension. It was decided the information and documentation would be acquired and a Special Meeting would be held on Tuesday February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm to make a final decision as to whether or not to approve a resolution to oppose the extension.

Larry Bryant left at 9:25pm.

A Building Committee Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. It will start at the JAMS site and then move to the Central School Board Room.

Chris Monroe left at 9:30pm.

Jane Hamm gave a report on the Financial Position of Central School District as of Feb. 11, 2008.

Supt. Amizich presented his Superintendent's Goals Report. He requested suggestions from the Board for any changes they would like to see regarding his Goals going forward.

Principal Anderson reported on recent and upcoming events at Central School.

Todd Wobbe made a motion to go to executive session after a 5 minute break at 10:05pm. (see attached)

Chris Monroe returned to the meeting at 10:55pm.

Steve Pyeatt made a motion to return to regular session at 11:12pm

Seconded by Todd Wobbe. All members present voted aye.

Steve Pyeatt made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Todd Wobbe. All members present voted aye.

With no further business to come before The Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13pm.

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Jane Hamm, Board Secretary

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Gary Seneczyn, Board President