

**CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
May 10, 2010**

**MINUTES**

The Board of School Trustees of the Center Grove Community School Corporation met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2010 in the Board Room at the Education Service Center, 4800 W. Stones Crossing Rd., Greenwood.

Board members present included President Scott Gudeman, Vice President Carol Tumey, Secretary John Steed, and Board Members Jim Copp and Mark Dietel. Also present at the meeting were Interim Superintendent Emmett Lippe, Assistant Superintendent Bill Long, Chief Financial Officer Paul Gabriel and Human Resources Director Sally Hacker.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Gudeman called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Gudeman.

**3. APPROVE AGENDA**

Mrs. Tumey moved to approve the agenda with two exceptions: remove "Special Services Director salary change" from the Personnel Report and remove "Statements and Benefits for Support Staff" from the agenda. Mr. Steed seconded the motion, and the agenda was approved 5-0.

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

Mr. Steed moved to approve minutes of the April 19 regular session. Mrs. Tumey seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**5. RECOGNITION**

Center Grove High School Principal Matt Shockley recognized the following students for their achievements: Indiana Academic All Star Kelsey Williams, Lilly Scholar Alissa Cain, and Central Indiana Regional Science Fair Winner Victoria Sluka (absent). The Board congratulated the students and presented them with Certificates of Excellence.

Mr. Shockley introduced members of the Red Alert Robotics Team #1741 who were finalists in the Regional Robotics competition held recently in North Carolina. He also introduced CGHS Student Trevor Settles who won a Dean's List Award at the Purdue FIRST Robotics Regional event.

Mr. Shockley also introduced members of the student council. The CGHS Student Council has been named a 2010 National Gold Council of Excellence by the National Association of Student Councils.

West Grove Principal Linda Bayne introduced the 2010 County Spelling Bee Champion Jordan Jeanette. The Board congratulated Jordan and presented him with a Certificate of Excellence.

Beth Bryant, CG's United Way Coordinator, presented the Board with two awards recently given to the school corporation by United Way. The first was for meeting our 4Community2 Employee Giving Goal, and the second for having the Most Outstanding Employee Campaign in the Education Division.

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Steed moved to approve the following consent agenda items: Personnel Report (as amended), Field Trip Report, Claims, Fund-Raisers, Student Handbook Changes, Textbook Adoption Recommendations, Textbook Rental Fees, Adjustment to 2010-11 Calendar, and Approval of Special Services memberships. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**8. ACTION**

Dr. Long introduced members of the Redistricting Committee who were present at the board meeting and thanked them for all the time and effort they had provided to the school corporation through this process. Committee Co-Chairs Susan Mullendore and Amie Myers presented the final recommendations of the Redistricting Committee to the Board. Following discussion Mr. Steed moved to accept the redistricting plan as presented. Dr. Copp seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Gabriel provided information on the proposed reduction in the school board stipend. This had been previously approved by the board as part of the overall budget reduction. Mr. Steed moved to approve the reduction to \$40 per meeting beginning in July 2010. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Gabriel presented a resolution to allow transfers within the Rainy Day Fund in the amount of \$717,882.20 for the specific purposes cited. Mr. Steed moved to approve the resolution as presented. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Gabriel presented a resolution to define exactly which positions are covered by PERF (Public Employees Retirement Fund). This resolution is being re-adopted as certain positions and titles have changed. This resolution also changes membership in that on July 1, 2010, 7-hour Classroom Teacher Assistants will be excluded from PERF. All existing employees will not be affected by this change; only employees hired on or after July 1, 2010 will be affected. Dr. Copp moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Gabriel requested permission for the school corporation to apply for Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB) to fund the following CPF projects for next year: (1) Technology; and (2) Energy-savings projects (to help meet our budget reduction goal of a 5% savings in utilities). The sale of bonds will be necessary to fund the CPF projects as this budget has been reduced from \$8,194,895 in 2008 to a projected \$6,694,000 in 2011. The QSCB bonds are expected to have a very low interest rate, possibly even as low as zero. Mr.

Steed moved to approve application for the QSCB bonds as presented. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Long presented a request from Bargersville Utilities for a utility easement on Saddle Club Road. This easement will be approximately 40' wide and will be along our property line to the west of Maple Grove Elementary and the Maintenance and Transportation Center. Following discussion Mrs. Tumey moved to approve the request for the easement. Mr. Dietel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Lippe thanked Dr. Long, Transportation Director Rick Pederson and Maintenance Director Dave Statler for all the time they spent in preparing materials for the Redistricting Committee to review.

Dr. Lippe shared with the Board that Jack Parker and Terry Spradlin, Co-Chairs of the Referendum Committee, have been traveling throughout the district meeting with various employee groups regarding the upcoming General Fund Referendum. The purpose of these meetings is to provide employees with information regarding why we are having the referendum and the process by which it's going to happen. Dr. Lippe also commended the teacher's union for issuing a news release announcing their support of the referendum process.

**10. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT**

Mrs. Tumey shared information about the success of Center Grove Education Foundation's recent Gala event.

**11. REPORTS**

Mr. Shockley introduced members of the committee which has been studying implementing a common grading scale at the high school. Committee members Jenna Hudson (CGHS student) and Vicki Kindervater (parent) shared the new grading scale with school board members. This grading scale will be implemented at the high school beginning with the 2010-11 school year. The Committee will be looking at possible changes in honors recognition such as Valedictorian and Salutatorian in the future. Next year, however, these honors will remain the same.

**12. OTHER BUSINESS**

Dr. Copp asked the Board consider moving forward with plans to demolish the old Transportation and Maintenance buildings as well as appropriate parts of the old Maple Grove building. As this would now fall under the jurisdiction of the Facilities Study Committee, it may be feasible to have them address just this issue in the near future.

**13. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 21.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.