

CENTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DISTRICT #47-0100

Centura Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, November 12, 2018

Centura High School Board Room

Cairo, Nebraska

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM. Present: Chad Adams, Justin Caspersen, Teresa Grabowski, Will Kemptar, and Matt Nepl; Absent: Ryan Marr.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof, according to law, by proper publication, a designated method for giving notice to the School District, a copy of the proof of publications being attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in this meeting. All proceeds of the Board of Education were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Pres. Kemptar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Pres. Kemptar led in the Pledge of Allegiance and recognized a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act posted on the wall in the Board Room.

Motion to excuse Marr from regular meeting. This motion, made by Adams and seconded by Nepl, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to approve meeting agenda as presented. This motion, made by Nepl and seconded by Grabowski, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Grace McDonald, Elayna Holcomb, Madison Hickok and Lauryn Berndt gave a presentation promoting the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). "We'll be there for you!!" is their promotion for this school year. Membership includes 82 students which is the largest chapter in the LouPlatte Conference and one of the largest in the state.

Believers and Achievers recognizes 48 outstanding students each based on scholastic achievement, activity participation, school and community service, and citizenship. This year the honor was presented to Centura senior Grace McDonald and recognized by the Centura Board of Education.

Patrons in attendance did not address the school board.

Board members Grabowski and Kemptar and Supt. Ruhl recently attended a Construction/Facilities Workshop and gave a brief overview. Congratulations were expressed to newly elected board members Jeff Christensen, Eric Hostetler, and Aron Hostetler. Current board members and newly elected board members will attend the upcoming State Education Conference.

Motion to approve Oct. 8, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. This motion, made by Nepl and seconded by Adams, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to approve Nov. 2018 general fund claims as presented and authorize payment. This motion, made by Nepl and seconded by Caspersen, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to approve Nov. 2018 building fund claim as presented and authorize payment. This motion, made by Grabowski and seconded by Nepl, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to approve Oct. 2018 activity fund claims, revenue, and fund balances as presented. This motion, made by Nepl and seconded by Adams, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Treasurer's Report discussion: Supt. Ruhl expressed his disappointment in Opa Food Management and the current lunch program. The district is losing money and lunch surveys were not positive. The school board approved looking into other options. Motion to approve treasurer's report as presented. This motion, made by Grabowski and seconded by Caspersen, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to approve the Special Education Department is at full capacity for 2018-19 school year and the addition of any option students with special needs will be considered on a case by case scenario. This motion, made by Grabowski and seconded by Caspersen, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Annual Audit discussion: Supt. Ruhl gave a brief overview of the recent annual audit of school district funds with no findings. Motion to approve 2017-18 Annual Audit performed by Dana F. Cole Company. This motion, made by Nepl and seconded by Grabowski, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to request a local substitute teaching certificate for Jill Simons. This motion, made by Caspersen and seconded by Nepl, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Centura Educ. Assoc. discussion: Supt. Ruhl reported a 4.99% increase in health/dental insurance with the deductible raised from \$900 to \$1,050. Negotiations went well between the two organizations with an agreement of a \$200 raise on the salary base schedule. Motion to accept the Centura Public School District and Centura Educ. Assoc. Negotiated Agreement for 2019-20. This motion, made by Grabowski and

seconded by Caspersen, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Elem. Principal Bohling reported on student virtual field trips to Morrill Hall at UNL and the Omaha Zoo with more virtual field trips to come. He also shared an in-service for all staff with speaker Dr. Matt McNiff on Behavioral Management. Mr. Bohling indicated the staff is working on the upcoming Accreditation visit in February and shared the Extended Learning Program grant was extended through December 2019. Celebrations also included Big Brothers Big Sisters to start again in the elementary and the “buddies” program with elementary classrooms helping other classrooms.

Supt. Ruhl reported for Mrs. Holcomb as she was overseeing junior high basketball and wrestling hosted by Centura. ACT results were discussed with Centura staying just above the state average for composite scores. The recent Parent/Teacher conferences were attended by 102 parents representing 134 students. The Winter sports season has started with wrestling, basketball, and One Acts.

Transportation Report: Supt. Ruhl reported he visits with Trans. Director Gericke on a daily basis and communicates with bus drivers on a weekly basis.

Supt. Ruhl reported on a Communication Committee he is heading in which they are working on a one-page promotional review to be placed in businesses around the communities. He also reported on an upcoming safety visit to collect data for Safety and Security for NDE. November 29 is the next scheduled pep rally and the recent Veteran’s Program was a success.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to go into executive session for the discussion of superintendent evaluation and personnel at 7:14 p.m. This motion, made by Grabowski and seconded by Caspersen, Passed. Board Pres. Kemptar stated the board has adopted a motion to enter in executive session to evaluate the job performance of an employee and to prevent needless injury to the employee’s reputation. The board will limit itself to discussion of this issue. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to come out of executive session at 7:57 p.m. This motion, made by Caspersen and seconded by Grabowski, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:58 p.m. This motion, made by Neppl and seconded by Caspersen, Passed. 5 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Absent.

Peggy Lemburg
Board Recording Secretary