A-C CENTRAL C.U.S.D. #262
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
UNIT OFFICE
JUNE 21, 2023 – 7:00PM

MEMBERS

PRESENT	ABSENT
V. Todd Jokisch	
Dan Cuba	
Jennifer Fanning	
Deb Petefish	
Jason Smith	
Carissa Myers	
Curtis Cosner	

Others present: **Co-Superintendent** – Robert Bagby; **Principals** – Ashley Trueblood, Amy Zahm; **Technology** –; **A-CCEA** – Lisa Doyle, Greg Lange; **Parents** – Kathie Privia; **Students** –; **Citizen** – Kathie Privia; **Other** – Anthony Mansur; **Media**- Michael Kloppenburg; **Unit Staff** - Ann Henry.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Recognition of Visitors and Guests

V. Todd Jokisch led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed everyone to the board meeting.

Proposed Agenda

Cuba/Petefish - Motion to approve the proposed agenda as presented. Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Kathie Privia addressed the board with concerns about the 2024 graduation ceremony.

Mr. Anthony Mansur is extremely excited for the opportunity to be able to come here and work with the staff, students, board, and community here at A-C Central.

Knight Lights

A. Accolades from the Board

A-C Central FFA group was one of four runners up in a community food drive by Springfield Plastics. They won $250 for their participation in the contest.

Administrators and Committee Reports

Elementary Report – PTO Fun Day was a great success. They had 10 different stations and activities for the students. We have 26 students involved in our summer school program. Summer work is in full swing. The custodial staff has begun cleaning, waxing and painting.

MS/HS Report – Summer school is focusing on math, reading, language as well as fun STEAM projects. High school is focusing on credit recovery. The last day of summer school is set for June 22, 2023. PBIS end-of-year incentive was watching a Super Mario Bros. movie at the Illinois Theater and lunch at McDonald's or Wendy's. Registration for the 23-24SY is set for July 17, 18, & 19th. Dr. Zahm touched base on the Student Handbook and somethings that she has changed and items she would like the board to really look at.

Building & Grounds Report – All 13 HVAC Units have been installed and running since May 29, 2023. A final walk through with Prairie State is set for June 7, 2023.

Technology Report – Summer time is here and that means it's time to start preparing the next school year. The process of inventorying student devices and checking them for repairs has begun. As well as looking into renewals and services for next year.

Co-Superintendent – Mr. Bagby said one of his goals is our investment policy. We are sitting on almost $7.6M now with tax money coming in. Mr. Bagby was talking with Travis Cox on how we could invest this money. Travis Cox told Mr. Bagby that the board likes to invest locally only. Mr. Bagby said that is fine but he will have a conversation with the board because you are giving away almost a point and a half by not shopping some of your money outside. That means you are costing yourselves about $60k. If you are okay with that I will proceed with the investments but to me $45k - $60k is a lot of money. Mr. Jokisch said you are looking at local like WCB & Petefish Skiles versus where? Mr. Bagby said the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund which is sponsored by ISBO.

Natural gas, I did sign an extension for one-year which saved the district 26%.

Teacher Vacancy Grant. The State Board of Education is pleased to inform you that A-C Central CUSD #262 has been selected to receive a Teacher Vacancy Grant in the amount of $180,784.30. We are one of 170 districts to receive the grant. It is to attract, hire support and retain teachers.

Green Edison grant through Ameren is done. All the lighting in Chandlerville and Ashland has been done. That was roughly $30k done for free.

Mr. Bagby is waiting to finalize the G5 which is the Federal Clearinghouse.

Mr. Bagby notified the State Board on June 6 that he had seen an error on our transportation reimbursement. I was hoping to get a little more money back but it was only $555.75.

<u>Executive Session (Exceptions 1)</u>

Petefish/Myers - Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. in accordance with State Statute to discuss the following:

- Exception 1. Adjournment to Executive Session for the purpose of: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

<u>Return to Open Session</u>

Myers/Fanning -Motion to come out of executive session at 8:32 p.m. and to approve and seal the minutes of this executive session. Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

<u>Personnel Report</u>

<u>Hires</u>

Janet Horton – 4th Grade Teacher

Kristin Sidwell – 3rd Grade Teacher

Lisa Privia – Elementary Math RTI
E. Sinclair Roechner – Band Teacher
Liz Sinclair – HS ELA
Lane Newell – Summer Custodian
Cindy Mueske – Summer Custodian
Leslie Myers – Summer Custodian
Anthony Mansur – MS/HS Principal
Amy Zahm – Superintendent
Kathy Pratt – Part-time cook

Class Sponsors
Liz Sinclair – Senior Class 2024

Extra-Curricular
Liz Sinclair – BETA Club
Liz Sinclair – HS Student Council

Athletics
Devin Roach – JV Boys Basketball Coach
Kathryn Lane – JV Volleyball Coach

Fanning/Cosner – Motion to approve the Personnel Report as presented. Roll call: Jason Smith, Debra Petefish, V.Todd Jokisch, Dan Cuba, Jennifer Fanning, Carissa Myers voted aye. Curtis Cosner voted present. Motion carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- **A.** Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 17, 2023
- **B.** Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on May 22, 2023
- **C.** Approval of Closed Session Minutes for Regular & Special Meeting on May 17 & 22, 2023.
- **D.** Approval of Treasurer's Report
- **E.** Approval of Activity Reports
- **F.** Approval of Bills Payable
- **G.** Approval of Journal Entries

Cuba/Petefish - Motion to approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 17, 2023, approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on May 22, 2023, approval of Closed Session Minutes for May 17, and May 22, 2023, Treasurer's Report, Activity Reports, Board Bills for an amount of $298,424.34, Journal Entries. Roll call: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business (info/discussion)

A. Citizen Advisory Group

Carissa Myers stated that maybe some local businesses or parents could get together once/twice a year to discuss what they think might improve the district.

B. District Financial Plan

Mr. Bagby compared net position of FY22 versus net position FY23. Every fund continues to be in good shape other than the building fund.

C. Summer Help

Three people have applied for summer help. The board needs to decide how many to hire.

New Business (action expected)

A. Board Policy Updates/Press Policy 112 – this is a first reading.

B. 2022-2023 Amended Budget

On page 2 those are the balances from the beginning of the year. The big key is line 22 and it's a wag. We will have to move some money to O&M to get that to balance. On page 81 is the new estimated fund balances.

C. E-Learning Plan – discussed at the hearing.

Cuba/Petefish – Motion to approve the E-Learning Plan as presented. Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

D. Officials Pay Increase – Mr. Arthalony suggested the raise amounts at last month's meeting.

Cuba/Myers – Motion to raise the officials pay according to Mr. Arthalony's suggestion. Roll call: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

E. Superintendent – Dr. Amy Zahm

Cuba/Cosner - Motion to hire Dr. Amy Zahm as the A-C Central Superintendent starting July 1, 2023. Roll call: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

F. Principal – Mr. Anthony Mansur

Cosner/Cuba - Motion to hire Anthony Mansur as the MS/HS Principal starting July 1, 2023. Roll call: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

G. District Office Employees – discussed in closed session.

H. MOU – Salary placement

Cuba/Fanning – Motion to approve the MOU regarding employee salary placement as presented. Roll call: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

I. FFA Retreat – This is an out-of-state trip so will need board approval.

Cuba/Myers – Motion to approve the out-of-state FFA retreat as presented. Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Board Member or Visitor Requests for Future Business Items (info/discussion)

Official scheduling service requested by Dan Cuba

Adjournment (action expected)

Cuba/Petefish - Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm. Voice vote: All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

President – V. Todd Jokisch

Secretary – Dan Cuba