

On March 17, 2016, during a re-scheduled regular meeting, the Prairie Central Board of Education . . .

Recognized the attendance of

- »Board members Jeffrey Austman, Jason Dotterer, Patricia Haberkorn, Timothy McGreal, Mark Slagel, and Ann Steidinger; and the absence of Corey Steffen.
- »Central office employees Dr. John Capasso (superintendent).
- »Employees Angie Kratochvil, Phyllis Bellot, and Barb Taylor (PCEA representatives).
- »Press representative Kent Casson (*The Blade*).

Took general action

- »To approve the minutes of its February 23, 2016 regular meeting.

- »To approve the consent agenda, which included an activity fund report, bills (current/interim), booster proposals, a cafeteria report, a financial report, a financial summary, an investment schedule, and a treasurer's report.

Recognized public and pre-arranged visitor's comment from

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Heard the Superintendent's report and learned (or was reminded) that

Legislative/ISBE

»HB 691 - a measure to freeze property values for a two-year period - will be considered now in April. If approved, and reconciled with SB 318, it could cost the District approximately \$239,000 per year in property taxes (based on average new dollars/year).

»By 2-29, the District had received 59% of its expected categorical (prorated) monies, with 70% of the fiscal year elapsed. 60 days stands between reimbursement orders and comptroller action. This year's proration stands at ~\$(604,900). Our accumulated proration since FY11 is ~\$(3,593,000).

»The PARCC exam is scheduled for April 11-29. Students in grades 3-8, and 10 or 11 (depending on course completion) will sit for math and ELA. Students in grades 5, 8, and 10 or 11 (depending, again, on coursework) will also sit for science.

Meadowbrook/Reorganization

»The Board considered names for the two PK-1 centers and the 2-4 building. The Board also reviewed options on start/end times and communication.

Transportation

»A Board committee will sit for a presentation on LP fuel by Hicks Gas on March 31 in the Unit Office.

Track

»The Board will revisit the PCHS track. It expressed an interest in seeing proposals on resurfacing the track, fearing that further deterioration will increase the cost of renovation.

Conducted/considered old business, by

»Discussing the "Soaring Hawks" Fund as a subsidiary of the Park Lands Foundation, an established 501 (c) (3) entity for charitable donations. The Board desires to form a source for donations and distributions for major fine arts and athletic capital considerations, such as an auditorium and outdoor athletic facilities, respectively. The Board's comments were supportive of the Fund, but it will wait until all seven members are present to make a final determination.

»Approving names for the three attendance centers, beginning in 2016-17:

<u>Current Name</u>	<u>New Name</u>
Chatsworth Elementary	Prairie Central Primary East (PK/ECSE, K, 1)
Chenoa Elementary	Prairie Central Primary West (PK/ECSE, K, 1)
Westview Elementary	Prairie Central Elementary (2-4)

Conducted/considered new business, by

»Approving a bid of \$257,700 from Union Roofing Inc., Chenoa, for the Chatsworth roof project.

»Authorizing the purchase of a wheelchair accessible bus – a 2012 Bluebird with 28,000 miles, three (3) tie-downs, and seating for an additional 48 passengers – for \$52,500 (with trades) from Central States Bus Sales.

»Renewing a contract with Gibson Area Hospital for nursing and athletic training services through the 2018-19 school year at a cost of \$45,000 per year (no change).

»Approving life-safety work on an underground condensate pipe at Chatsworth, the first of several phases of a project to renovate the heating system, by Popejoy Inc., Fairbury, at a cost of \$44,682.

»Granting permission for PCJHS student council students and sponsors to attend the state convention in Springfield, April 15-16, 2016.

»Approving (the attached) calendar for 2016-17. Staff begins August 15-16 (pre-Fairbury Fair); students, August 22-23 (post-Fairbury Fair). Trade day off for PT conferences is moved to October 21, following K-6 conferences on October 18 & 20. Winter break is December 22-January 2 and the second 9-week period (semester) ends before Winter break. Students are out of school at year's end no later than June 2; staff, June 5. ATTACHMENT

Held a hearing ahead of personnel decisions as per PA 97-0008.

Held an executive session for the purposes (exceptions to the Open Meetings Act) of discussing personnel and potential litigation; and, following, made decisions to

»Accept the resignations (retirement under 9.11 of CBA) of teachers **JANET RINKER** and **KIRK BRANDENBURG**, effective in 2019-20; and café worker **JESSICA EMBREY**, effective at the close of the 2015-16 school term.

»Appoint **TRAVIS JOHNSON** (as track coach @ PCJHS for 2015-16) and **MANDY HOGAN** (as a 5 hour/day café worker @ PCJHS for 2016-17).

»Approve reductions-in-force for eight (8) teachers and 23 extra-duty employees, effective following the current school term; the dismissal of a probationary teacher following the current school term; and the transfer of assignments for 12 ESP employees and 49 teachers for the 2016-17 school term.

Took general action to

»Adjourn at 10:10 PM.

JULY 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
				1	2	
				HOL		
4	5	6	7	8	9	
11	12	13	14	15	16	
18	19	20	21	22	23	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
					Total	

AUGUST 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
1	2	3	4	5	6	
8	9	10	11	12	13	
						0
15	16	17	18	19	20	
TI	TI	NIA	NIA	NIA		0
22	23	24	25	26	27	
X	X	X	X	X		5
29	30	31				
X	X	X				3
					Total	8
					Acc	8

SEPTEMBER 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
			1	2	3	
			X	X		2
5	6	7	8	9	10	
HOL	X	X	X	X		4
12	13	14	15	16	17	
X	X	X	X	X		5
19	20	21	22	23	24	
X	X	X	X	X		5
26	27	28	29	30		
X	X	X	X	X		5
					Total	21
					Acc	29

OCTOBER 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
3	4	5	6	7	8	
X	X	X	X	X		5
10	11	12	13	14	15	
HOL	X	X	X	X		4
17	18	19	20	21	22	
X	X	X	X	FTP*		4
24	25	26	27	28	29	
X	X	X	X	X		5
31						
X						1
					Total	19
					Acc	48

NOVEMBER 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
	1	2	3	4	5	
	X	X	X	X		4
7	8	9	10	11	12	
X	X	X	X	XH		5
14	15	16	17	18	19	
X	X	X	X	X		5
21	22	23	24	25	26	
X	X	X	HOL	NIA		3
28	29	30				
X	X	X				3
					Total	20
					Acc	68

DECEMBER 2016						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
			1	2	3	
			X	X		2
5	6	7	8	9	10	
X	X	X	X	X		5
12	13	14	15	16	17	
X	X	X	X	X		5
19	20	21	22	23	24	
X	X	X	NIA	NIA		3
26	27	28	29	30	31	
NIA	NIA	NIA	NIA	NIA		0
					Total	15
					Acc	83

JANUARY 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
2	3	4	5	6	7	
NIA	X	X	X	X		4
9	10	11	12	13	14	
X	X	X	X	X		5
16	17	18	19	20	21	
HOL	X	X	X	X		4
23	24	25	26	27	28	
X	X	X	X	X		5
30	31					
X	X					2
					Total	20
					Acc	103

FEBRUARY 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
		1	2	3	4	
		X	X	X		3
6	7	8	9	10	11	
X	X	X	X	X		5
13	14	15	16	17	18	
X	X	X	X	TI		4
20	21	22	23	24	25	
HOL	X	X	X	X		4
27	28					
X	X					2
					Total	18
					Acc	121

MARCH 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
		1	2	3	4	
		X	X	X		3
6	7	8	9	10	11	
XH	X	X	X	X		5
13	14	15	16	17	18	
X	X	X	X	X		5
20	21	22	23	24	25	
NIA	NIA	NIA	NIA	NIA		0
27	28	29	30	31		
X	X	X	X	X		5
					Total	18
					Acc	139

APRIL 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
3	4	5	6	7	8	
X	X	X	X	X		5
10	11	12	13	14	15	
X	X	X	X	NIA		4
17	18	19	20	21	22	
NIA	X	X	X	X		4
24	25	26	27	28	29	
X	X	X	X	X		5
					Total	18
					Acc	157

MAY 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
1	2	3	4	5	6	
X	X	X	X	X		5
8	9	10	11	12	13	
X	X	X	X	X		5
15	16	17	18	19	20	
X	X	X	X	X		5
22	23	24	25	26	27	
X	X	X	XED	XED		3
29	30	31				
HOL	XED	XED				
					Total	18
					Acc	175

JUNE 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Att
			1	2	3	
			XED	XED		0
5	6	7	8	9	10	
TI						0
12	13	14	15	16	17	
						0
19	20	21	22	23	24	
						0
26	27	28	29	30		
					Total	0
					Acc	175

School Begins	15-Aug
School Closes	5-Jun
Pupil Attendance Days	175
Approved Institute Days	4
Approved Emergency Days	6
Approved Parent/Teacher Conferences*	1
TOTAL (185 OR MORE)	186

Legal School Holidays			Calendar Legend		
Labor Day	5-Sep	Lincoln's Birthday	12-Feb	Student Attendance Day	X
Columbus Day	10-Oct	Presidents' Day	20-Feb	Teachers' Institute	TI
Veterans Day	11-Nov	Pulaski Day	6-Mar	Not in Attendance	NIA
Thanksgiving Day	24-Nov	Easter	16-Apr	Holiday	HOL
Christmas Day	25-Dec	Memorial Day	29-May	Waived Holiday	XH
New Years Day	1-Jan	Independence Day	4-Jul	Parent-Teacher Conference	FPT
ML King's Birthday	16-Jan			1/2 Day Improvement	XHS
				Emergency Day	XED/ED

Parent/teacher conferences will be held from 3 to 6:30 PM on 29-Sep & 7-Feb for 7-12; and 17/20-Oct for all K-6. 21-Oct is scheduled as a non-attendance day ("FPT", or a traded day for conferences).

Prairie Central Unit School District No. 8
Official School Calendar for 2016-2017



Red-Letter Dates:

4-8-Aug	-	Registration for non-internet parents - any building
5-Aug	-	Prairie Central New Teacher Orientation
9-12-Aug	-	Schedule change for 7-12 students - PCJHS, PCHS (by appointment)
15-Aug	-	Meet-the-Teacher Night (5-6:30, grades PK/ECSE - 4)
	-	ELC-E & W: 5-5:30 PM, AM PK/ECSE; 5:30-6:30 PM, PM PK/ECSE, All K & 1
	-	PCE: 6:30-7:30, All 2-4
16-Aug	-	Meet-the-Teacher Night (4-6:00 PM, grades 5-8)
	-	PCUE, PCJHS: 4-6:00 PM
15-16-Aug	-	Teacher institutes (full-day)
** 22-Aug	-	1st day for K-12 classes
23-Aug	-	1st day for ECSE, PreK classes
29-Sep	-	Two-hour early dismissal (7-12 P/T conferences, 3:00 - 6:30 PM; PK-6 school improvement session)
7-Oct	-	Homecoming (two-hour early dismissal)
21-Oct	-	End of 1 st quarter 42 days grades 5-12
17-Oct	-	Two-hour early dismissal (K-6 P/T conferences, 3:00 - 6:30 PM; 7-12 school improvement session)
20-Oct	-	Two-hour early dismissal (K-6 P/T conferences, 3:00 - 6:30 PM; 7-12 school improvement session)
11-Nov	-	End of 1st tri-mester 57 days grades K-4
21-Dec	-	End of 2 nd quarter 41 days grades 5-12
7-Feb	-	Two-hour early dismissal (7-12 P/T conferences, 3:00 - 6:30 PM; PK-6 school improvement session)
	-	Freshmen orientation (5:00 - 6:30 PM)
17-Feb	-	Teacher institute (full-day)
24-Feb	-	End of 2nd tri-mester 62 days grades K-4
10-Mar	-	End of 3rd quarter 46 days grades 5-12
5-Jun	-	End of 3rd tri-mester 56 days grades K-4
** 2-Jun	-	End of 4th quarter 46 days grades 5-12
5-Jun	-	Teacher institute (full-day)
** Minimum five (5) clock hours		Total Days 175
		Total Days 175

Early Dismissals

One (1) Hour Early

Early Term Heat			22-Aug	-	2-Sep
Day Before Holiday/Break		23-Nov		21-Dec	17-Mar
First, Last Day of Student Attendance				22-Aug	2-Jun

Two (2) Hours Early (hot lunch served)

PCHS Homecoming					7-Oct
School Improvement PK-6/Parent-Teacher Conferences 7-12				29-Sep, 7-Feb	
School Improvement 7-12/Parent-Teacher Conferences PK-6					17/20-Oct

	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>9 Wk Days</u>	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>12 Wk Days</u>
<u>Grading Periods</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Cards</u>	<u>(W/out ED)</u>	<u>Reports</u>	<u>Cards</u>	<u>(W/out ED)</u>
1st quart 22-Aug - 21-Oct	23-Sep	18-28-Oct	42			
1st tri 22-Aug - 11-Nov				30-Sep	18-Nov	57
2nd quart 24-Oct - 21-Dec	23-Nov	6-Jan	41			
2nd tri 14-Nov - 24-Feb				21-Dec	3-Mar	62
3rd quart 4-Jan - 10-Mar	3-Feb	17-Mar	46			
3rd tri 27-Feb - 2-Jun				13-Apr	2-Jun	56
4th quart 27-Mar - 2-Jun	28-Apr	2-Jun	46			
		Total Days	175		Total Days	175

Emergency Days Used

None	Last Day/ Staff 25-May	Last Day/ Students 24-May
One	26-May	25-May
Two	30-May	26-May
Three	31-May	30-May
Four	1-Jun	31-May
Five	2-Jun	1-Jun
Six	5-Jun	2-Jun

Breaks

Winter:	22-Dec (last attendance, 21-Dec) - 2-Jan (return 3-Jan)
Spring:	20-24-Mar (return 27-Mar)

Recognized Holiday

Labor Day	5-Sep
Columbus Day	10-Oct
Thanksgiving	24-25-Nov
Martin Luther King Day	16-Jan
President's Day	20-Feb
Good Friday	14-Apr
Easter Monday	17-Apr
Memorial Day	29-May

Special Events

PARCC Testing	TBA
PCHS Baccalaureate	21-May
PCHS Commencement	26-May