
PRAIRIE CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
OPEN SESSION**

JULY 13, 2017

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PRAIRIE CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8, FORD, LIVINGSTON, AND MCLEAN COUNTIES, WAS HELD ON JULY 13, 2017 AND WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT MARK SLAGEL AT 7:06 PM IN THE PRAIRIE CENTRAL UNIT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: TED BACHTOLD, TIMOTHY MCGREAL, BRIAN PLENERT, MARK SLAGEL, COREY STEFFEN, ANN STEIDINGER, AND JOHN WILKEN

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: PAULA CRANE & TONYA DIEKEN

CENTRAL OFFICE EMPLOYEES

PRESENT: CHERYL HOFFMAN

PCEA REPRESENTATIVES

PRESENT: NONE

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: NONE

STUDENTS PRESENT: NONE

GUESTS PRESENT: MAGGIE DAVIS

PRESS PRESENT: KENT CASSON, *THE BLADE*

PUBLIC COMMENT

MAGGIE DAVIS ASKED FOR AN UPDATE ON IF POLICY HAD BEEN DEVELOPED TO PROTECT COACHES

VISITORS ARRANGED IN ADVANCE NONE

GENERAL ACTION

TO APPROVE MINUTES MOVED BY MCGREAL AND SECONDED BY BACHTOLD THAT WE APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2017 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA MOVED BY STEFFEN AND SECONDED BY WILKEN THAT WE APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, WHICH INCLUDES: ACTIVITY FUND REPORT, BILLS (CURRENT AND INTERIM), BOOSTER PROPOSALS, CAFÉ REPORT, CSFT (SALES TAX) REPORT, FINANCIAL REPORT/SUMMARY, INVESTMENT SCHEDULE, AND TREASURER'S REPORT.

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT CRANE REPORTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

ISBE/STATE OF ILLINOIS/LEGAL.

CATEGORICALS. THE STATE MADE A LAST MINUTE SURPRISE PAYMENT IN CATEGORICALS. AS A RESULT OF THIS AND AN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FROM LCSSU, WE ADJUSTED THE AMOUNT OF WORKING CASH TO BE ABATED TO \$1,000,000.

FUNDING REFORM. THE LEGISLATURE HAS PASSED A BUDGET, BUT SB1, THE FUNDING FORMULA, HAS NOT BEEN PLACED ON THE GOVERNOR'S DESK. THE GOVERNOR HAS PROMISED TO VETO THE FORMULA, LEAVING THE STATE WITH NO WAY TO DISTRIBUTE GENERAL STATE AID TO DISTRICTS.

CHENOA TAX SITUATION. AS DISCUSSED EARLIER WITH THE BOARD, THE MCLEAN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE MADE AN ERROR IN CALCULATING THE TAX EXTENSION FOR PRAIRIE CENTRAL'S 2015 WORKING CASH BOND. OUR CHENOA (MCLEAN COUNTY) CITIZENS WERE NOT ASSESSED LAST YEAR, AND THE SAME MISTAKE WAS MADE THIS YEAR. WE WILL SEND A LETTER TO OUR CHENOA (MCLEAN) CITIZENS IN ORDER TO EXPLAIN THE SITUATION AND SO THEY CAN PREPARE FOR AN INCREASE IN NEXT YEAR'S BILL.

MAINTENANCE. THE BOARD REVIEWED SUMMER MAINTENANCE PLANS, BOTH IN-HOUSE AND OUTSOURCES.

BUDGET PROJECTION. OWING TO THE AFOREMENTIONED SHORTFALL OF \$1.5 MILLION IN STATE REIMBURSEMENT, THE EDUCATION AND TRANSPORTATION FUNDS WILL REQUIRE LARGER-THAN-EXPECTED TRANSFERS FROM WORKING CASH (\$1.3 MILLION AND \$900K, RESPECTIVELY).

MEADOWBROOK DEMOLITION. MEADOWBROOK HAS BEEN BROKEN INTO SEVERAL MORE TIMES AND HAD BEGUN TO DETERIORATE. THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO HAVE STEVEN MANN REWORD THE BIDS FOR DEMOLITION SO THE OPTIONS INCLUDE: 1) DEMOLITION ONLY 2) DEMOLITION AND THEN ACQUIRING THE PROPERTY 3) ACQUIRING THE PROPERTY ONLY AFTER THE DEMOLITION IS COMPLETE. HE WILL ATTEND THE MEETING IN AUGUST TO PRESENT THIS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS.

BOARD TRAINING: THE BOARD SET AUGUST 29TH AT 6:00 FOR IASB-LED BOARD TRAINING TO TAKE PLACE IN THE UNIT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM.

DISCUSSION (OLD BUSINESS)

K-6 HANDBOOK CHANGES. THE BOARD WAS PRESENTED WITH MINOR CHANGES TO THE HANDBOOK, INCLUDING PROHIBITING CLIMBING TREES AND BRINGING UNAUTHORIZED FIDGETS TO SCHOOL. OTHER CHANGES INCLUDED CHANGING THE NAMES OF THE "COMPLAINT MANAGERS"

BOARD GOALS. Superintendent Crane will rework the current board goals to discuss at the September or October meeting.

BUS BIDS. Bids are due Friday, July 14th at 2:00. Board Members McGreal and Plenert will attend the opening.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Board members were assigned to committees for the 2017-2018 school year.

DISCUSSION (NEW BUSINESS)

TENTATIVE BUDGET. SUPERINTENDEN CRANE INTRODUCED THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 TENTATIVE BUDGET. IT IS LIKELY THE BUDGET WILL BE ALTERED ONCE A FUNDING FORMULA IS PASSED.

ESP EVALUATIONS/DESCRIPTIONS. THE BOARD REVIEWED THE NEW EVALUATION TOOL FOR DISTRICT-WIDE ESP'S.

ACTION – OLD BUSINESS

TO APPROVE HANDBOOK CHANGES MOVED BY WILKEN AND SECONDED BY MCGREAL TO APPROVE THE HANDBOOK CHANGES AS PRESENTED (ATTACHED).

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION - NEW BUSINESS

TO APPROVE TENTATIVE BUDGET. MOVED BY STEFFEN AND SECONDED BY MCGREAL THAT WE APPROVE THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 AS PRESENTED (ATTACHED).

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

TO APPROVE ESP EVALUATION. MOVED BY PLENERT AND SECONDED BY BACHTOLD TO APPROVE THE ESP EVALUATION TOOL AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS (ATTACHED)

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION MOVED BY WILKEN AND SECONDED BY PLENERT THAT WE ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:54 PM FOR PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF PERSONNEL; AND STUDENT PLACEMENT AS PER 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1, 10).

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION MOVED BY STEFFEN AND SECONDED BY MCGREAL THAT WE RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 10:36 PM.

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION ON PERSONNEL

TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS FROM:

VOTING

RESULT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/ SITE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>MOTION BY</u>	<u>SECOND BY</u>	<u>BACHTOLD</u>	<u>MCGREAL</u>	<u>PLENERT</u>	<u>SLAGEL</u>	<u>STEFFEN</u>	<u>STEIDINGER</u>	<u>WILKEN</u>	
SHELBY SHUMAKER	SPEECH THERAPIST	END OF 2016-17 TERM	PLENERT	SLAGEL	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED
TERESA RUNYON	PARAPROFESSIONAL PCPE	END OF 2016-17 TERM	STEIDINGER	WILKEN	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED
KELLY WESCOTT	JV BASEBALL COACH	END OF 2016-17 TERM	BACHTOLD	MCGREAL	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED

TO APPOINT:

VOTING

RESULT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/ SITE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>MOTION BY</u>	<u>SECOND BY</u>	<u>BACHTOLD</u>	<u>MCGREAL</u>	<u>PLENERT</u>	<u>SLAGEL</u>	<u>STEFFEN</u>	<u>STEIDINGER</u>	<u>WILKEN</u>	
LEMAN, KRISTA	CAFÉ WORKER 5-HOURS PCJHS	2017-18	WILKEN	MCGREAL	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED
WENGER, EMILY	READING INTERVENTION IST TEACHER LEADER	2017-18	STEFFEN	PLENERT	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED
BAZZELL, DARIN	AUXILIARY BOYS BASKETBALL COACH/ PCHS	2017-18	PLENERT	BACHTOLD	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	YEA	CARRIED

TO DISMISS

Moved by MCGREAL and seconded by PLENERT to dismiss MARY TODD, DISTRICT BUS MONITOR, effective at the close of 2016-2017 school term.

Voting: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. Motion Carried

TO PROMOTE AND
APPROVE NON-BARGAINING

SALARY

MOVED BY STEFFEN AND SECONDED BY WILKEN THAT WE PROMOTE COLIN DUNCAN TO TECH COORDINATOR FOR THE PRAIRIE CENTRAL DISTRICT, A NON-BARGAINING POSITION, AND TO APPROVE HIS AS PRESENTED FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL TERM

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

GENERAL ACTION

TO ADJOURN

MOVED BY WILKEN AND SECONDED BY BACHTOLD THAT WE ADJOURN AT 10:45 PM.

VOTING: BACHTOLD, YEA; MCGREAL, YEA; PLENERT, YEA; SLAGEL, YEA; STEFFEN, YEA; STEIDINGER, YEA; AND WILKEN, YEA. MOTION CARRIED.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

PRAIRIE CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE SESSION (5 ILCS 120/2)

July 13, 2017

1. Name of unit of government

Prairie Central CUSD #8

2. Date and time of closed meeting or closed portion of meeting

7/13/17

9:54 PM – 10:36PM

3. Names of all members of the public body present during the closed meeting or closed portion of meeting

Timothy McGreal, Mark Slagel, Corey Steffen, Ann Steidinger, Ted Bachtold, Brian Plenert, John Wilken

- b) Each specific exception cited for closing the meeting (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1-2))

- a. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of personnel

5. For each of the exceptions cited, provide a general description of the subject matter discussed during the closed meeting or portion of a closed meeting

- c) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of personnel

- a. Discussion of resignations
b. Discussion of appointments
c. Discussion of dismissal

Certification

I certify that I understand Section II of the Illinois Open Meetings Act and that to the best of my knowledge and belief no other topic was discussed during the closed meeting, or closed portion of the meeting, in violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

President

Secretary