

Central DeWitt Community School District
DeWitt – Grand Mound – Low Moor – Welton
School Board Meeting – August 10, 2016

The Central DeWitt Community School Board of Education met for a goal-setting meeting on August 10, 2016 at the Central DeWitt Middle School Media Center at 5:00 p.m. Directors Steve Fuglsang, Angela Rheingans, Cory Huff, Christy Kunz and Hannah Perrone were present. Also present were Superintendent Dan Peterson and Board Secretary Cyndie Johnson. Administrative Staff present were George Pickup, Jen Vance, Tim Bradley and Mike Miller. Also present was Kurt Kreiter and Patrick Diedrich. This session included brainstorming, review and discussion for all goals presented. These will be finalized and approved at the September meeting after discussion with faculty and staff.

Goal-setting session adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

The Central DeWitt Community School Board of Education met for a Regular Board meeting on August 10, 2016 at the Central DeWitt Middle School Media Center at 6:09 p.m. Directors Steve Fuglsang, Angela Rheingans, Cory Huff, Christy Kunz and Hannah Perrone were present. Also present were Superintendent Dan Peterson and Board Secretary Cyndie Johnson. Media representation included Jan Huffman, Clinton Herald and Larry Lough, The Observer. Administrative Staff present were George Pickup, Jen Vance, Tim Bradley and Mike Miller. Also present was Kurt Kreiter, Josh Greubel and Patrick Diedrich.

Opening of Meeting: 6:10 p.m.

Director Fuglsang opened the meeting at 6:10 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Modifications to the agenda presented were as follows:

School Board and Administration Goals for 2016-2017 was postponed to a later date.

Moved by Director Kunz, Director Rheingans to approve the agenda items as modified. Motion carried 5-0.

Moved by Director Rheingans, Director Perrone to approve the minutes of July 13, 2016. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum:

Josh Greubel thanked the Board for the decision to add the color guard a few years ago. Kelci Anderson is the coach and has been working diligently, providing a three-day camp for those students involved.

C. Information & Discussion Item(s)

Administrative Reports

George Pickup reported that the MS/HS are busy and ready for the new school year. He is seeing several teachers in their classrooms already.

Kurt Kreiter congratulated the HS Boys Baseball team with 32 wins this year. It was exciting to see approximately 1,500 in attendance for one of the last few home games. It is very nice that we can host an event of that size. He also stated that the District had a nice showing for the State Tournament game held in Des Moines in July. He also stated our maintenance crew does a great job with keeping our facilities looking very nice. The HS Dance program will also be starting up again in the upcoming school year.

Jen Vance stated that the second group of teachers attended the PLC training last week. Our Teacher Leaders starting next week will utilize the knowledge from this conference.

Tim Bradley stated he is excited for the PLC program to begin and that it was excellent training for staff. He reported that the facilities are in great shape for the new year and EK/IS are ready to begin.

Legislative Report - No report

2015-2016 Determinations Letter Regarding Compliance with and Implementation of IDEA Part B Requirements

Dan Peterson reported that this letter regarding our compliance with and Implementation of IDEA Part B Requirements is a success story for the district.

Action Item(s)

Donations to the School District

\$1,900 was donated to the Industrial Trades program by BOOM. Ohnward Bancshares has also donated the time of a few interns to work on the recycling program for the District. We will be looking forward to seeing this project excel. Moved by Director Kunz, Director Rheingans to accept the donations as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Appointment of Level I and Level II Investigators

Dan Peterson reported that this appointment is an annual requirement for the District. Our Level I Investigators are the School Counselors and Level II is either the Dewitt Police Department or the Clinton County Sheriff's Department. Moved by Director Huff, Director Perrone to accept the appointment of these Investigators. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel Report

Moved by Director Kunz, Director Perrone to approve the Personnel Report as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Licensed Personnel

Recommendation to hire Larry Oronzio for the Special Education Teacher position that recently opened at the high school. Mr. Oronzio should be placed on MA step 7 for a salary of \$44,392.21.

Resignation of Christine Mikkola as 4th Grade Teacher, effective immediately.

Resignation of Mike Meadows from his position as Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach. Mike has done a great job working primarily with our boys throwers. We want to thank him for his commitments in recent years.

Brittany Wedeking previously split the Middle School Drama position with another staff member who resigned, so she has been doing it herself the last two years. We now recommend splitting the Middle School Drama position for the 2016-2017 school year. We recommend hiring Samantha Pyle to share the Middle School Drama with Brittany Wedeking. The total stipend of .07 is \$2066.23, so each shall receive \$1033.12. I feel that she would do an outstanding job with our students. Ms. Pyle has a great working relationship with Mrs. Wedeking.

Recommendation to hire Lori Regenwether as a PD Facilitator. Her contract will be for one day beyond regular contract for a \$500 stipend with an additional \$50 per meeting attended (with 10 scheduled to meet the \$500 to total \$1,000).

Recommendation to hire Chris Keitel as Assistant Varsity Football Coach. The stipend of .11 equals \$3,246.94. Chris would primarily fill the role at the freshman level. Chris is a Central DeWitt graduate who had an outstanding career here and was a tremendous student and leader. He went on to play college football at St. Ambrose following high school. He has also recently gotten involved in high school athletics as a baseball umpire. He is an enthusiastic young man and we are excited to have him on our staff.

Recommendation to hire Kirk Machovec for our Middle School Girls Track Coach at the 7th grade level. The stipend of .07 equals \$2,066.23. Coach Machovec has previously been a successful MS track coach and he will do an outstanding job filling that position.

Recommendation to hire Todd Kinney as Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach. The stipend of .09 equals \$2,656.58. That position has a focus on our throwers. Todd was a Central DeWitt graduate ('88) and was a State Champion Discus Thrower as well as outstanding multi-sport athlete. He went onto have a tremendous wrestling career at Iowa State University where he earned All-American status. He was inducted into the first class of our Hall of Fame. Coach Kinney was a member of my wrestling coaching staff for a number of years and did an outstanding job. He has great knowledge in his area and does an outstanding job working with our student-athletes.

Recommendation to hire Cody LaKose and Scott Burke to fill our current vacancy for Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach and split the stipend between them. The .11 stipend of \$3,246.94 will be split in half so each receives \$1,623.47. Both of our coaches have done the same thing with one of our Assistant Baseball positions and coach together at that level. They work well as a team and have now gained some valuable experience as coaches. Both were former high school players and Scott was a former Saber Basketball player.

Recommendation to hire Larry Oronzio for the position of Head 7th Grade Football Coach. The stipend of .08 equals \$2,361.41. Larry will join our teaching staff this year. His family has some roots in the Welton area although he is coming from Arizona. He has an extensive background as a high school basketball coach while serving as both a Head Coach for basketball and baseball programs. He has been an Assistant Coach and Coordinator in football and had experience as a former college football player.

Recommendation to hire Collin Ellis as Middle School Assistant (7th Grade) Football Coach. The .07 stipend is \$2066.23. Collin is currently coaching MS boys' basketball and is our Head Boys golf coach. Although he has limited experience with football, he does a nice job coaching young men and will spend the time learning our system.

Support Personnel

Resignation of Stephanie Schoel from her position as Special Education Associate at the Intermediate School, effective immediately.

Recommendation of voluntary transfer of Colleen McDevitt, Special Education Associate, from Ekstrand to the Middle School. Her hours will increase from 5 per day to 7 per day at the same rate of \$12.17/hour.

Resignation of Erica Voss from her position as Special Education Associate at the Middle School, effective immediately.

Recommendation to hire Sara Schomer as 7-12 Head Dance Coach. The stipend of .08 equals \$2,361.41. Sara lives in our community and has an extensive background as a dancer and has also recently run the Cheer/Dance program at Assumption High School. I have met with her and think she not only has a great vision for our program, but also has the passion to build a strong team.

FYI - Vacancies Currently Posted

Special Education Associate at Middle School
Pre-K Driver for AM Route
4th Grade Teacher
Special Education Associate at High School
Assistant Middle School Cross Country Coach

Financial Report

Cyndie Johnson reported on the Districts Financial Report for July 2016. The Expenditure Report was reviewed to establish an understanding of early year expenses for the District. Many programs have start up expenses in the beginning of each year, therefore a higher % of the budget has been spent to date. Our audit will be complete the end of October with our Financial Report for 6/30/16 being presented in January by our auditors. Moved to accept the Financial Reports as presented made by Director Huff, Director Kunz. Motion carried 5-0.

First Reading of Accompanist Policy No 415.2

A policy providing details for our accompanist was presented to the Board. The auditors suggested having this in place. The second reading will take place at the next Board meeting in September. Moved by Director Kunz, Director Huff to accept the first reading of the Accompanist Policy. Motion carried 5-0.

Mississippi Bend AEA Induction Consortium Agreement

Dan Peterson reported that this is a continuation of last year's program. There have been several additional School District's added. The first year there was only one New Teacher Induction Coach position. This has been increased to three, with two of them coming from our District. Motion by Director Rheingans, Director Kunz to continue the agreement for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda Item(s)

Moved by Director Perrone, Director Rheingans to approve the following consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Enrollment

Professional Leave Report

Student Activity Fund Report

Abstract of Bills

Casper Renewal -

Eastern Iowa Behavioral Program Consortium Agreement

Future Board of Education Meetings & Opportunities

All Staff Welcome Back Breakfast Wednesday, August 17, 2016: 7:30 am at the High School Competition Gym

Pre-Agenda Meeting Wednesday, September 7, 2016: 7:30 am (Steve Fuglsang, Cory Huff)

School Board Development Session Wednesday, September 14, 2016: 5:30 pm

School Board Annual Meeting Wednesday, September 14, 2016: 6:00 pm

IASB Conference November 15-18

Continue School Board Work Session

Completed prior to General Board Meeting.

Adjournment

Moved by Director Kunz, Director Huff to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Steve Fuglsang, Board President

Cyndie Johnson, Board Secretary