

CENTRAL LYON BOARD MINUTES
February 10, 2014

The Central Lyon Board of Directors met in regular session in the Board Room of the Central Lyon Community School at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present: President Steve Sieperda, Vice-President Judy Gacke, Directors Scott Postma, Chet DeJong and David Jans and Superintendent Dave Ackerman and Board Secretary Jackie Wells. Other individuals present were EL/MS Principal Dan Kruse, Assistant Principal/Activities Director Steve Harman, Stephanie Baker, Dale Jansma, Toby Lorenzen, Jessica Harman, Denise Kirchhoff, Emily Deutsch, Marcus Ditsworth, Susan Van Wyhe, Jessica Jensen, Joleen Metzger, and Geneva Grooters.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Gacke moved to approve the agenda with an additional list of bills; Jans seconded, carried 4-0.

Jans moved to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2014 regular meeting and Postma seconded, carried 4-0.

Postma moved to approve the financial report through 1/31/14; Jans seconded, carried 4-0.

DeJong arrived at 7:06 P.M.

Jans moved to approve the summary list of bills; Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

In reports, Toby Lorenzen and Jessica Harman presented information on the Iowa Assessment results. Central Lyon students once again scored above average in most areas and line item analysis was performed to look at detailed results.

President Sieperda and Vice-President Gacke informed the board that the Central Lyon and George-Little Rock Sharing Committee met to discuss the sharing agreement for football, softball, cross country and wrestling. Discussion took place on students driving between districts and events; additional information on liability will be gathered through district attorneys. Middle School football equipment (7th grade) will be phased out and purchased as new.

Principal Kruse reported that staff continues to attend ICC meeting to stay informed. He presented information on an Early Literacy grant received in the amount of approximately \$17,000. This grant requires districts to comply with a variety of items within 3 years including early screening and testing options, progress monitoring, notifications to parents and retention of students who are “substantially deficient.”

Assistant Principal/Activities Director Harman informed the board that he is acquiring multiple bids on items that need upgrading in the district including volleyball standards, wrestling mats, football clocks, and baseball nets and refinishing the gym floors.

Superintendent Ackerman reported on a possible expansion of alternative school hours in the next school year which would include career awareness/readiness. Multiple rounds of internal transfers were accepted for open positions and advertisements are posted for available positions on the district website and Iowa Reap. Mr. Ackerman presented a sketch for improvements and additions to the Activities Center to include an expanded district weight room, community based fitness center, walking track and wrestling room. Board members asked him to meet with city and fitness center representatives to find out their wants and needs so the architect can continue

to provide options for future expansion and remodeling. Mr. Ackerman reported the district has applied for the Teacher Leadership Compensation grant in the amount of approximately \$210,000 or \$310/student. If approved, grant dollars may be used for teacher mentors, technology integrationists, instructional coaches and lead teachers.

In Old Business, no additional items were added to the Casino Funds discussion. A work session will take place in March for further discussion.

In New Business, DeJong moved to approve the 2014 band/choir trip to Florida; Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

Jans moved to approve the staff reduction notification for the 2014-2015 school year. Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

Gacke moved to approve the Class of 2014 Graduates pending all satisfy the district's educational requirements; Postma seconded, carried 5-0.

Jans moved to approve Central Lyon policy revision 415.0 (Certified Staff Early Retirement) and waived 2nd reading. Postma seconded, carried 5-0. Gacke moved to approve Central Lyon policy review/revisions of 900 (Building & Sites), 900 (Community Relations) and 100 (School District) series of policies with no 2nd reading required. Postma seconded, carried 5-0.

In personnel, DeJong moved to approve the following voluntary transfers for the 2014-2015 school year; Jaci Van Veldhuizen from Kindergarten to 1st grade, Stephanie Baker from Kindergarten to 1st grade, Jill Devitt from MS English to HS English/Lit, Jodi Schrick to full-time K-12 Librarian, Laureen Schram from Title I to 4th grade and Krista Sprock from Special Education to Title I. Jans seconded, carried 5-0. Gacke moved to approve the resignation of Kelli Docker, pending suitable replacement from Assistant Volleyball (9th grade) and Jans seconded, carried 5-0. Jans moved to approve the early retirement request from Vicki Clasen, effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year; Postma seconded, carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, March 10, 2014 in the Central Lyon board room. A work session to discuss architect plans and casino funds will take place at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday March 25, 2014 in the Central Lyon board room. The board will enter into closed session under Iowa Code 21.5 1 (i), Superintendent Evaluation after the work session.

DeJong moved to adjourn at 8:31 P.M. and Postma seconded, carried 5-0.