

**CENTRAL LYON BOARD MINUTES**  
**February 14, 2011**

The Central Lyon Board of Directors held a public hearing regarding CIPA Internet Appropriate Use at 6:55 P.M. No comments were received from the public.

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 Chet DeJong, Directors Gail Van Berkum, Judy Gacke and Patrick McCarty and Superintendent Dave Ackerman and Board Secretary Jackie Wells. Other individuals present were EL/MS Principal Dan Kruse, Laureen Schram, Rochelle Ebel, Stephanie Baker, Jamie Helmers, Peggy Groves and Emily Deutsch.

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

Gacke moved to approve the agenda with an additional list of bills; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

DeJong moved to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2011 regular meeting with one change in the reports section and Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the financial report through 1/31/11 with a request from Sieperda that additional information be provided regarding the school's investments in Frontier Bank, ISJIT and other areas; DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

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

In recognition, Atlas of Lyon County was thanked for the donation of clothing to the district. Brendan Metzger was recognized for being selected to the Class 2A Iowa Football Coaches Association Academic All-State Team. Elizabeth Francisco and Maria Wills were recognized for their places in the Northwest Iowa Reading Council Writing Contest. Jason Leuthold was recognized for an appearance earlier this year in Honor Choir. Brendan Metzger and Cody Lupkes were named co-students of the month in the high school. Mr. Langholdt and Jazz Band participants were recognized for their 2<sup>nd</sup> place district finish and advancement to state. Alex Rust, John Estep and Terron Gerdes, as well as Coach Eben and staff, were recognized for their advancement to state wrestling. Nate Knoblock and Dillon Bosler were recognized for being selected as all-state speech participants.

In correspondence, Superintendent Ackerman reviewed a community blood bank letter and the IA High School Speech Association congratulatory letter.

In reports, Principal Kruse reported the end of the third quarter in the EL/MS will remain March 1, 2011. Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten screening took place last week. Recommendations on sections and class sizes for Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten will be forthcoming as more information is gathered. Preschool sign-up will begin next week. Due to Governor Branstad's proposed plan, changes could be forthcoming for the district and preschool parents.

Superintendent Ackerman presented information regarding high school faculty's proposal of "Lion Time." Mr. Ackerman requested approval to test the proposal for early release during the four Wednesdays in April, 2011. Mr. Ackerman stated the proposal is successful in other

schools in our area in limiting the students on the D and F list, improves completion of assignments and rewards students as applicable. Directors expressed a variety of concerns over the proposal including limiting educational contact time from periods throughout the day and hesitation of releasing the majority of high school students over 40 minutes earlier than normal. The directors wanted more information and additional research before granting approval on this proposal.

In Old Business, no additional items were added to the Casino Funds discussion.

In New Business, Gacke moved to approve the staff reduction notification for the 2011-2012 school year. Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to reaffirm policies 605.1 – 605.7R1 to comply with CIPA requirements. DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

McCarty moved to approve the sale/disposal of a Massey-Ferguson MF135 Tractor with loader bucket, a 425 John Deere Lawn Tractor, a F911 John Deere Front Mower and a used golf cart with a recommendation that Ahder's Auction Service be used for the process. Van Berkum, seconded, carried 5-0.

Van Berkum moved to approve the Class of 2011 Graduates with an additional student pending all satisfy the district's educational requirements; McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.

In personnel, Van Berkum moved to approve an early retirement request from Cindy DeWandel effective at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, March 14, 2011 in the Central Lyon board room.

Van Berkum moved to adjourn at 7:48 P.M. and McCarty seconded, carried 5-0.