

CENTRAL LYON BOARD MINUTES
November 14, 2011

The Central Lyon Board of Directors held a public hearing in the Board Room of the Central Lyon Community School at 6:55 P.M. on the question of whether to convene school for the 2012-2013 school year prior to the date established by law AND participation in the instructional support program and resolution for that purpose. There were no issues raised or presented to the board of directors concerning these matters. President Sieperda closed the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

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 Judy Gacke, Gail Van Berkum and David Jans, Superintendent Dave Ackerman and Board Secretary Jackie Wells. Other individuals present were EL/MS Principal Dan Kruse, Tammy Hoppe, Stephanie Baker, Brenda Deutsch, Jamie Helmers, Allison Holtgrewe, Bruce Eckenrod, Julie Boekhout, Kristi Wright, Danielle Sneller, Dylan Bosler, Nannie Thomas, Ashley Leuthold, Kristin Snell and Paul Neuharth.

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

Gacke moved to approve the agenda with additional bills presented; DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

Van Berkum moved to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2011 regular meeting; Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

DeJong moved to approve the financial report through 10/31/11; Jans seconded, carried 5-0.

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

In recognition, Middle School Mock Trial was recognized for its regional success and best wished for state competition. Jim Haberkorn and Carl Petersen were thanked for their assistance to the program. Aric Knoblock and Mitch VanBeek were recognized for their Honor Band selection. Coryn VanBeek, Kelsey Ackerman and Lexi Ackerman were recognized for being selected to All-Siouxland Conference teams. Bev Doorenbos and friends were thanked for supplies donations. Nate Knoblock and Gracia Post were recognized for being selected as an all-state choir participant. The musical "Annie Get Your Gun" was a huge success. The football team and coaches were recognized for an outstanding season. The fire department was thanked for their involvement in fire prevention week. Pizza Ranch was thanked for providing incentives to the Middle School AR program. A letter was presented by Mike and Jackie Austin thanking the district for an important Veteran's Day program.

In reports, Principal Kruse reported that Parent Teacher Conferences were a huge success with an average of 97% participation by parents in grades PK-8. He informed the board that the After School Program is underway with up to 45 students. Mr. Kruse also informed the board about Special Education needs and staffing issues. The board agreed that additional information was needed for approval at the December meeting.

Mrs. Hoppe presented information and a Smartboard presentation on Iowa Core Curriculum and the progress the district is making. ICC rules will need to be in place by July 1, 2012.

Superintendent/HS Principal Ackerman presented information regarding At-Risk Services and Mandatory Reporting requirements. There is not a set standard of checks and balances because each student situation is unique and can require private individualized attention.

Mr. Ackerman reported on changes to the STRIVE program. HS Faculty and previous mentors agreed that changes need to be made to the age level the program is introduced and only after a clear role and process is determined.

Mr. Ackerman presented goals and outcomes for a 1:1 laptop initiative. This idea will continue to be explored throughout the year. Mr. Ackerman reported that certified enrollment is down 4.7 but students in the seats are up 15.

There will be a Life Choices Assembly on November 30th.

In Old Business, the list of casino fund uses will be continued to be reviewed throughout the year.

In New Business, DeJong moved to approve starting the 2012-2013 school year prior to the week in which September 1 falls (Iowa Code Chapter 279.1); Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

Discussion took place on a potential partnership with Rock Rapids Kids Club for a potential building project. Several pros and concerns were mentioned with an agreement that the district, Kids Club representatives, city representatives and other parties would meet with Estes Construction and Invision Architects to pursue the idea.

DeJong moved to approve adding a transportation/Maintenance position and Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

Gacke moved to approve the BEEP Grant application and District Vehicle Idling Policy Code No. 711.9/711.10r1 waiving a 2nd reading. Van Berkum seconded, carried 5-0.

Van Berkum moved to approve the Modified Allowable Growth for Increasing Enrollment & Open Enrollment Out Students Not on the Previous Years Certified Enrollment in the amount of \$52,947; DeJong seconded, carried 5-0.

In personnel, DeJong moved to approve the resignation of Brandon Bloemendaal, Special Education Paraprofessional; Gacke seconded, carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, December 12, 2011 in the Central Lyon board room.

DeJong moved to adjourn at 9:17 P.M. and Jans seconded, carried 5-0.