

October 28, 2019

The special meeting and work session meeting of the Board of Education of the Centerville Community School District was held October 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the board room of the Administration Office, 634 North Main, Centerville.

Regular Meeting

Call to order and roll call

President Marty Braster called the public meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Roll call to determine quorum was taken as follows:

Present: Brooke Johnson, Bob Thomas, Travis Yeomans, Mike Thomas, Angela Ocker, Marty Braster

Absent: Larry Heffron

Also present were Superintendent Tom Rubel and Chief Financial Officer Lisa Swarts.

Welcome Visitors

Mr. Braster welcomed visitors.

Approve Agenda

It was moved by Bob Thomas and seconded by Brooke Johnson to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Consideration of Financing Proposals Opened and Reviewed by the Superintendent of Schools, Secretary of the Board, and the Placement Agent

Matt Gillaspie, Placement Agent with Piper Jaffray, reviewed bond proposals received October 24, 2019 at 3:00 P.M. After a discussion with administration, his recommendation was JPMorgan Chase Bank non-callable bonds at 1.92% interest rate with approximately \$165,678.48 in savings.

Resolution Directing Sale of approximately \$3,750,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services, and Use Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Travis Yeomans to approve the Resolution Directing the Sale of Approximately \$3,750,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2019 to JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, at a purchase price of par plus accrued interest to date of delivery. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Marty Braster, Brooke Johnson, Bob Thomas, Travis Yeomans, Mike Thomas, Angela Ocker

Nays: none.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution Authorizing the Redemption of Outstanding School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018A, Dated October 23, 2018, of the Centerville Community School District, and Directing Notice Be Given

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Bob Thomas to approve the Resolution authorizing the redemption of outstanding school infrastructure sales, services and use tax revenue bonds, series 2018A, dated October 23, 2018, of the Centerville Community School District, and directing notice be given. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Angela Ocker, Marty Braster, Brooke Johnson, Bob Thomas, Travis Yeomans, Mike Thomas,

Nays: none.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Agreement with Timberline for Medicaid Billing Services

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Bob Thomas to approve the agreement with Timberline Billing Service LLC for Medicaid reimbursement services. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Seatbelt Policy

It was moved by Angela Ocker and seconded by Brooke Johnson to approve the first reading of board policy 711.10, School Bus Seat Belt Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Early Retirement Policy

An early retirement proposal was presented for the 2019-20 school year. The recommendation was to offer a lucrative package of a one-time payment of \$50,000 from the district's management fund. Requirements would be for the employee to be 55 plus years old at the time of retirement, and working for the district for ten consecutive years. The policy would be limited to fifteen certified employees. It was stated that this is a financial decision to save general fund monies.

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Angela Ocker to approve an Early Retirement Plan for 2019-20 school year as stated. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

It was moved by Travis Yeomans and seconded by Brooke Johnson to adjourn the special meeting at 7:10 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Work Session

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Marty Braster called the public meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Roll call to determine quorum was taken as follows:

Present: Mike Thomas, Angela Ocker, Marty Braster, Brooke Johnson, Bob Thomas, Travis Yeomans

Absent: Larry Heffron

Also present were Superintendent Tom Rubel and Chief Financial Officer Lisa Swarts.

Welcome Visitors

Mr. Braster welcomed visitors.

Approve Agenda

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Angela Ocker to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Partnership with China

Andy Hotek gave a presentation on a possible sister school agreement with Shijiazhuang Foreign Language School (SFLS). Andy has previous experience with this agreement from his time with Oskaloosa Community School. Goals of the program are to develop a positive association with SFLS and to advance an already established relationship with a desire to learn more about each other's educational systems, culture, and ideas. A memorandum of understanding will be presented at a future meeting for approval.

TAG Presentation

April Kirkland was present to give a presentation on the district's Talented and Gifted program. She spoke about how the program was working for all different grade levels.

Bullying Discussion

Andy Hotek, the district's Bullying Investigator, spoke about the district's bullying prevention policy. He walked the district through the process of when there is an accusation of bullying and what steps he takes to make decisions. He presented handouts that help him with the process.

Principal Reports

Karen Swanson

Along with her written report, Karen Swanson reported on Red Ribbon Week and parent/teacher conferences.

Matt Johnson

In addition to his written report, Matt Johnson reported on Student Achievement and standards based grading, parent/teacher conferences, and recent activities and trips of students.

Rhonda Raskie

In addition to her written report, Rhonda Raskie reported on de-escalation training provided for the associates and that she is still waiting on assessments results. That information should be available soon at a future meeting.

Julie Caraccio

Julie Caraccio provided a written report.

Terri Schofield

There was no report for this meeting.

The board thanked Angela Ocker for her service to the district while serving on the board.

Adjourn

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Angela Ocker to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 pm. Motion passed unanimously.