

February 14, 2022

The public hearing and regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Centerville Community School District was held February 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the board room of the Administration Office, 634 North Main, Centerville.

Public Hearing – Howar Phase II Project – 6:30 P.M.

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the public hearing to order at 6:30 pm. Roll call to determine quorum:

Present: Brooke Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Bob Thomas, Kris Shondel (virtual), Tim Burger, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: None

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

Welcome Visitors

Kevin Wiskus welcomed visitors.

Approve agenda

It was moved by Bob Thomas and seconded by Mike Thomas to approve the agenda as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Howar Phase II Project

Rachelle Hines with FRK Architects joined the meeting virtually. She reported out that on Thursday the district received the following bid information for the Howar Phase II Project.

Bi-State out of Burlington \$1,175,195

TRICON out of Cedar Rapids \$1,280,000

Public Comments on Howar Phase II Project

There were no comments from the public on the proposed project.

The latest cost estimate from January for the project was \$812,211. Reasons given by Rachelle for the increase in costs were recent increases in Davis Bacon wages, material cost increases, inflation, and less contractors bidding due to the high number of HVAC projects using ESSER funds.

There were discussions among board members and questions asked about materials, lead times, and future costs. Due to the ESSER funds, the administration and finance committee agreed that the district has the funding to absorb the extra costs.

Adjourn

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Brooke Johnson to adjourn the public hearing and move into the regular meeting at 6:37 pm.

Regular Board Meeting

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the regular meeting to order at 6:37 pm. Roll call to determine quorum:

Present: Brooke Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Bob Thomas, Kris Shondel (virtual), Tim Burger, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: None

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

Welcome Visitors

Kevin Wiskus welcomed visitors.

Public Forum

Catherine Lechtenberg was present and asked if any of the board members had questions about an email that she had sent regarding the school calendar. Kevin Wiskus answered that the item on the agenda for the calendar was just a review and there would be no action taken. The administration will go back to the CEA for further review.

Bob Thomas inquired about whether the board should do a workshop or review how they will handle a case for censorship. It was mentioned that the district probably already has a policy and they will look into it.

Approve Agenda

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Mike Moore to approve the agenda as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Minutes of previous meetings

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Bob Thomas to approve the January 10th and January 14th minutes as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Kevin Wiskus mentioned to the board that the bus lease information that was approved at the January meeting had changed. In the earlier Finance Committee meeting, Tim Kaster reported out that the bus leasing company was having a supply issue and the types of buses as well as the timing of arrival was changing. The amounts in the new proposal are relatively the same so the district will continue moving forward. Final documents will be presented for approval by the board when available.

New Business

Resolution Formally Approving and Adopting the Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimated Total Cost of the Howar Middle School Phase II Project

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Mike Moore to adopt the “Resolution Adopting the Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimated Total Cost of the Centerville Community School District Howar Middle School A/C Upgrades Phase II Project” as stated after meeting all public hearing requirements. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Brooke Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Bob Thomas, Kris Shondel, Tim Burger, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution Awarding Bid on Howar Middle School Phase II Project

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Brooke Johnson to adopt the presented “Resolution Making Award of Construction Contract” as stated, accepting the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the Howar Middle School A/C Upgrades Phase II Project from Bi-State Contracting out of Burlington, Iowa for the base bid amount of \$1,175,000. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Brooke Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Bob Thomas, Kris Shondel, Tim Burger, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Resolution for Request to the SBRC for Funding Related to Increased Enrollment for (SWVPP) Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Mike Thomas to adopt the following resolution as stated and to make the request to the SBRC as same:

RESOLUTION

As part of the district’s response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the district’s administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for funding related to FY22 SWVPP increased enrollment in the amount of \$46,975.50.

Motion passed 7-0 unanimously.

Approval of Drivers Education Contract with Training Wheels, LLC

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Bob Thomas to approve the driver education agreement with Training Wheels as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of 2022-2023 Calendar

Kevin Wiskus reported that this was just a review item. Since there were possible concerns, the administration will go back and work with the CEA for input and bring back another draft.

Superintendent Contract for Fiscal Year 2022-23

Kevin Wiskus reported that the superintendent contract will expire on June 30, 2022 and that there has been discussion for one more year. He reported that he was looking for a motion for the Finance Committee to enter into negotiations for a one-year contract extension with Mr. Rubel.

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Bob Thomas to authorize the Finance Committee to enter into negotiations with Mr. Rubel for a one-year contract extension.

Motion passed 4-3 with Mike Thomas, Kris Shondel, and Mike Moore voting “No.”

Approve Personnel Business Procedures

Resignations

Steve Clark – Resigning from 8th Grade Boys’ Basketball effective immediately.

Ashley Ross – Resigning from Sp. Ed. Aide Specific at CHS, effective Feb. 8, 2022.

Transfers

Mallory Denny – Transfer from Asst. Girls’ Track to Head Girls’ Tennis Coach, \$2,841.68, replacing Tony Endress, effective 3/14/2022.

Pat Breeding – Transfer to a different PK student, no change to hours or wages.

Employment/Contracts

Randall Emery – Custodian @ Lakeview, Level II, Step 3, \$12.97/hr., effective 1/27/22, replacing James Dodge.

Madilyn Bennett – Sp. Ed. Aide Specific at Preschool, 4 hours/day, 4 days/week, level 2, step 4, \$13.07/hr., effective 2/8/2022, replacing Pat Breeding.

Chad Butler – Asst. Trap Shooting Coach – Step 1, \$1,101.27, effective 2/25/2022, new position.

Amy Clinkenbeard – Contract Adjustment, increase in hours from 5.75 hours/day to 8 hours/day, effective 2/14/2022.

Contract Corrections

Kele Cossel - Prom Sponsor - written for \$522.95, corrected to \$530.97.

Jaycee Smith - Prom Sponsor - written for \$522.95, corrected to \$530.97.

Tyler Morgan - Summer Band - written for \$782.81, corrected to \$798.92.

Volunteer Agreements

Steve Logsdon – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Kele Cossel – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Tony Caraccio – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Rodney Robertson – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Chad Shondel – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Matt Harryman – Trap Shooting Volunteer

Sports Officials Contracts – as listed

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Mike Moore to approve all personnel items as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Rubel reported that the only legislative topic to report on was that the supplemental state aid still has not been set.

Committee Reports

Kevin Wiskus reported on the following topics for the finance committee meeting: discussions with Jim Wainwright from Ahler's Law firm on the timing and use of the 2020 SAVE bond proceeds and projects, Howar Phase II project, and bus leases.

The Facilities Committee reported on items discussed at the last meeting being: upcoming Howar Phase II project and the options for transportation and maintenance position.

Bob Thomas inquired about the shortage of subs and the new requirements for people to be authorized to sub.

Financial Reports

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Bob Thomas to approve all prepaids, list of bills, financial reports, and pay per diem as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

It was moved by Brooke Johnson and seconded by Mike Moore to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm.
Motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Wiskus, Board President

Board Secretary, Lisa Swarts