

April 22, 2024

The FY25 Budget Public Hearing and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Centerville Community School District was held April 22, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the board room of the Administration Office, 634 North Main, Centerville.

FY25 Budget Hearing 5:30 PM

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the FY25 Budget Hearing to order at 5:30 pm. Roll call to determine quorum:

Present: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: Tom Johnson

Also present were Superintendent Mark Taylor and Chief Financial Officer Lisa Swarts.

Approval of Agenda

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

Budget information to Board of Directors.

Proposed and published tax rate is \$16.67286 which is a decrease of \$.31310 from last year's rate of \$16.98595. No changes were made since the last budget presentation.

Comments from interested visitors

There were no comments from interested visitors.

Board discussion on the budget

There was no further discussion from the board.

Adjourn

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Mike Moore to adjourn the FY25 Budget Hearing at 5:32 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Board Meeting

Call to order and roll call

President Kevin Wiskus called the FY25 Budget Hearing to order at 5:30 pm. Roll call to determine quorum:

Present: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Absent: Tom Johnson

Also present were Superintendent Mark Taylor and Chief Financial Officer Lisa Swarts.

Welcome Visitors

Kevin Wiskus welcomed visitors.

Public Forum

Jay Dillard was present to share comments regarding safety planning.

Approve Agenda

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

Old Business

Opaa! Presentation

Belinda Potter was present to give the Opaa! presentation. She reported out on various activities she has been involved in with students regarding cafeteria nutrition and food choices. She also spoke about adding a Summer Food Program for the Centerville District. She will be working on the application for the program with Mr. Taylor and explained how the program will work.

Tom Johnson entered the meeting at 5:57 pm.

Approval of Copier Lease with Access Systems

Documents with attorney suggested edits were still not available for approval. It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Student Presentations

There were no student presentations.

Approval of High School Addition Change Order #6

Change order items included:

1. *Owner request, provide half lite glass at doors CIIA, CIIB, and CIIC - \$2,715.81*
2. *Provide revised shower layout at SH-1 showers in locker rooms and office - \$4,166.37*
3. *Unforeseen condition, provide additional concrete at loading dock to cover existing stoop wall - \$7,142.70*
4. *Provide additional breaker for transformer at panel HB - \$787.31*
5. *Owner request, provide additional drywall and frame at existing corridors C128 and C124 - \$2,180.36*
6. *Owner request, provide fiber optic location change deduct – (\$700.00)*
7. *Unforeseen condition, remove rubble found at SE parking lot per conversation with Civil - \$3,000.00*

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Tim Burger to approve High School Addition Change Order #6 in the total amount of \$19,292.55 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of AEA Resolution

After discussion it was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the AEA Resolution for Allocation of 100% of Media & Technology and Educational Services Funds to Great Prairie AEA as presented for 2024-25 school year as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve and Certify 2024-25 Budget. Roll Call.

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Derek Carter to approve and certify the 2024-2025 budget at a total tax rate of \$16.67286. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve 101% Budget Guarantee Resolution. Roll Call.

It was moved by Mike Moore and seconded by Derek Carter to approve the 101% budget guarantee resolution: Resolved, that the Board of Directors of Centerville Community School District, will levy property taxes for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Tim Burger, Derek Carter, Carol Heffron, Tom Johnson, Mike Moore, Mike Thomas, Kevin Wiskus

Nays: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve 2nd Reading of Board Policy Series 400's

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Mike Moore to approve the 2nd reading of board policy series 400's as presented with changes from the 1st reading. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Landscaping Project

It was moved by Mike Thomas and seconded by Tom Johnson to approve the landscaping river rock project estimate from Clarks Landscaping in the amount of \$13,088.50 as recommended by Aaron Beeson. Motion passed unanimously.

Graduation Discussion

Carol Heffron and Tom Johnson volunteered to hand out diplomas at the May 19th graduation ceremony.

Presentation of DCAP (District Career and Academic Planning) Plan

Julie Caraccio gave a presentation on the district's DCAP Plan which is a roadmap for the district's implementation of career development.

Discussion and Approval of Virtual School Program Changes for 2024-25

It was Mr. Taylor's recommendation that the district end the virtual school program beginning in the 2024-25 school year. Students that are already enrolled in the plan would be grandfathered in and we would purchase the whole Edmentum program for those students. Overload contracts for teachers supporting that program would end as well.

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Carol Heffron to approve the recommended changes to the Virtual School Program for 2024-25 as recommended. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Personnel Business Procedures

Resignations

1. Lisa Spiker – Resigning from Social Studies teacher at CHS effective at the end of the 2023-24 contract year.

Transfers

1. Emilie Wendel – Transfer from Elementary Teacher at Lakeview to Strat II teacher at Lakeview & Howar effective with the 2024-2025 contract year.
2. Shirley Bentley – Transfer from Howar Aide Specific to Lakeview Aide Specific. No change in hours, days or wages. New position.

Employment/Contracts

1. Robin Spurgeon – High School Counselor, MA+12, Step 18, Salary TBD by negotiations, 189 days, plus 20 extended days, replacing Savannah Trower.

Volunteers

1. Alexis Sulser – Volunteer Soccer Coach
2. Steve Logsdon – Volunteer Trap Shooting Coach
3. Rachel Butler – Volunteer Trap Shooting Coach
4. Natasha Joiner – Volunteer Trap Shooting Coach
5. Rodney Robertson – Volunteer Trap Shooting Coach
6. Matt Harryman – Volunteer Trap Shooting Coach

It was moved by Derek Carter and seconded by Mike Moore to approval all personnel items as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Transportation Report

Mike Kinkaid reported out on: annual bus training, spring sports, field trips, appreciation for having two subs to call, discipline, and how the traverses are working out.

Buildings and Grounds Report

Aaron Beeson reported out on the most recent CHS Addition progress.

Principal Reports

Principals provided written reports. In addition, items highlighted during the meeting were: preschool round-up, work on state reporting, testing week, GEARUP grant planning, safety drills, mock trial field trip, Noelle Craver art accomplishment, Christian Athletes meetings, and recent success of the career fair.

Mike Moore left the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent report items were: work on tornado and fire safety items, appreciation for communications with Mike Lamb for weather safety, recent decrease in free and reduced lunch percentages, recent work on looking at attendance and discipline policies, and recent legislative bill for arming teachers.

Mr. Taylor also reported that Indian Hills Community College is requesting that the district pay rental of \$31,250 per year for 10 years for the use of the baseball field. This is an increase from \$5,000 in previous years. They are looking to make upgrades to the facilities and want the Centerville District to pay for a quarter of that through rental fees. There were several comments from board president Kevin Wiskus and comments from other board members. It was a consensus that this needs to be an item for discussion at a future board meeting.

Board Member Takeaways

Takeaway topic items included: appreciation for bus subs, positive comments on career fair, school safety, appreciation for Christian Athlete program, invite to Rotary “student of the week,” and appreciation for DCAP report.

Adjourn

It was moved by Tim Burger and seconded by Derek Carter to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Board President, Kevin Wiskus

Board Secretary, Lisa Swarts