

CENTRAL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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WORK SESSION

Shiprock Board Room, Shiprock, New Mexico
February 9, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

School Board Members

Charlie T. Jones, Jr., *President*
Ruthda W. Thomas, *Vice-President*
Christina J. Aspaas, *Secretary*
Adam J. Begaye, *Member (absent)*
Randy Manning, *Member*

Administrators

Dr. Rebecca Benedict, Director of Education
Dr. George Schumpelt, Director of Legal Services & School Board Policy
Eric James, Director of Operations
Christi Walters, Purchasing Specialist

I. ROUTINE MATTERS

A. Board President, Charlie T. Jones, Jr. the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

II. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Rannita Henderson, parent introduced the new Indian Education Committee members, Linda James of Nenahnezad Chapter, Fern Cereceres of Naschitti Chapter, Stephanie John of Beclabito Chapter, Ernest Diswood of Burnham Chapter, and Garry Jay of Shiprock Chapter.

III. REPORTS

A. Fundraising Requests

1. Dave Goldtooth, Naschitti Elementary School Principal and Carissa Wood, PAC Treasurer presented the fundraising request for selling Valentine Candy Grams. Utilize parents to sell, prepare and deliver candy with on designated sponsor form the Elementary staff. The proceeds will benefit the 5th grade promotion and End of Year School trip for all students.
2. Matt Limpar, Science Teacher and Junior Class Sponsor presented the Donations for Junior Class, the fundraising will help students fund prom, any extra money will roll over to graduation next year and helping them pay for activities and graduation.

B. Unique Trip Request

1. Melissa Roberts, Kirtland Elementary School Principal presented the student travel to Durango and Silverton. The students will have the opportunity to experience different land forms in our local communities such as the mine spill. Several certified staff members will be attending the

trip. Background checks are in question and Christina Aspaas will get with Dr. Bowman on more discussion.

- C. Candace Keams-Benally, Bilingual & Title II Coordinator presented the Heritage Education Center Donation letter. The donation will be used for the Knowledge Bowl on March 31st to feed students. A suggestion by a board member is to take this back to the IEC members for review. Rannita Henderson suggested to serve the food at the school cafeteria.
- D. Candace Keams-Benally also presented the Impact Aid Application. Herbie Clichee, Director of Finance was not in attendance, however left a summary report of the application, the application was submitted on February 1, 2015 for SY 16-17. The total number of children claimed decreased from FY 15-16 by 475, this amount 368 are within the boundaries of CCSD School District and an additional 107 for CCSD students that reside in Arizona. Herbie Clichee is working with Candace Keams-Benally and Erica Harvey-Benally to identify students that were included in the count last year, but were not included in this year's application, looking at internal student data such as the student registration, Power School, and transportation department. The application allows for an amendment to be made by September 30, 2016. The goal is to review the data used for the February 1, 2016 application and recapture student's that may have been overlooked due to the address listed and submit an amendment to the application. Eric James explained the ratings for construction report on condition of facilities. The IEC needs to be educated on state law and a quorum is needed. The signature is an issue, there was not a quorum to approve the IPP. The Board suggested to take this to the IEC members for review and to have Herbie Clichee give this report at the next meeting.
- E. Cindy Charleston, Health and Wellness Specialist presented the Memorandum of Understanding with Capacity Builders, Inc. Sexual Assault Services of North West New Mexico, Navajo Nation, Central Consolidated School District, and Community Representation. Project partners have been working together for over three years building education curriculum that is culturally sensitive as well as building services throughout the reservation and border town area to address victimization and the root factors that contribute to violence.
- F. Judy Geisinger, District Coach Reading K-2 presented the SY 2016-17 ELA Adoption. Ms. Geisinger presented the K-8 ELA Adoption Timeline, CCSD Textbook and Curriculum Materials Adoption Rubric, ELA Adoption SY 16-17 Elementary and Middle Overall Scores/First Round, ELA Adoption SY 16-17 Top Two Choices, Next Steps, Final Selection/Elementary, Final Selection/ 6th-8th, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt/Journey (K-5) and Collections (6-8) the final selection from K-8 teachers and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt is on the approval State Adoption List.
- G. Cindy Theodore, Transportation Supervisor presented the Per Capita Feeder Route Application. The student is a special needs and Ms. Theodore offered to offer mileage reimbursement. IEP meeting took place. Justification from IEP to clarify recommendations for Feeder Route.
- H. Dr. Rebecca Benedict, Director of Education presented the Jostens Report, Number of Years serving CCSD Schools, Career Prep High School served three plus years, Shiprock High School served ten years, Newcomb High School serving ten plus years, and Kirtland Central High School served fourteen years. Other Schools in area using Jostens such as Aztec, Bloomfield, and Farmington. Process – Senior class votes, presentation approximately every two years, and presentations to take place August 2016 for 2017. Pricing Cap, Gown, and Tassel for \$25.00, Satin Stole for \$15.00, Souvenir Tassel for \$10.00, total Package for School \$50.00. Miscellaneous – gowns are normally passed down (20% of each class), Rental for 2017=\$19.00 + \$6.00 (cleaning),

gowns purchased directly by parents, can put in late orders, and company purchases approximately 10% for those who can't afford it.

- I. Dr. Rebecca Benedict also presented the New Mexico School Board Association Excellence in Student Achievement Award. The deadline for local district to send the name of award recipient to NMSBA is March 16, 2016, Awards are mailed to participating districts. NMSBA prepares and sends out press release to local media with recipient names and award background information by April 19, 2016, and School boards present awards at Regular or Special meetings of May 2016.
- J. James Lowe on behalf of Pandora Mike presented the Update on 2016-2017 School Calendar and Early Release. Instructional Hours Central Consolidated School District and State of New Mexico. Pros and Cons, and Structure on Professional Learning Community, Data Analysis, Interventions, Professional Development, Best Practices, and Collaboration.
- K. Christi Walters reported for Herbie Clichee who was not attendance, the Approval for Personnel Settlement. The Interim Superintendent was authorized by the Board to enter into mediation settlements on behalf of the school district. As of today, February 9, 2016, Dr. Bowman has completed nine cases brought against the district. The total amount requiring board approval is \$469,000.
- L. Christi Walters, Purchasing Specialist on behalf of Herbie Clichee, Director of Finance presented the Payment of Bills explained each section of Checks Written, Check Listings, Vendor Listings, Purchasing Cards, and Account Structure.
- M. Christi Walters also presented the Budget Adjustments and Journal Entries and Bars Report.
- N. Christi Walters also presented the seven Items Over \$60,000 and requesting for approval from the Board.
- O. Christi Walters presented the Monthly Fiscal Report for the Expenditures and Revenues.
- P. Christi Walters presented the PED Cash 2nd Quarter Report.

IV. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSS LIMITED PERSONNEL MATTER RELATED TO THE CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, AS PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 10-15-1(H)(2) OF THE NEW MEXICO OPEN MEETINGS ACT, AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING OR THREATENING LITIGATION RELATED TO THE SAME, PENDING FEDERAL LITIGATION AND UPDATE ON TRANSFERRED LEGAL MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS COUNSEL, AS PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 10-15-1(H)(7) OF THE NEW MEXICO OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Motion by Randy Manning, second by Christina J. Aspaas to convene in Executive Session: Discuss Limited Personnel Matter related to the continued employment of the Superintendent, as permitted under Section 10-15-1(h)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, and Communications with Legal Counsel regarding Pending or Threatening Litigation related to the same, pending federal litigation and update on transferred legal matters from previous counsel, as permitted under Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken: Randy Manning voted yes; Christina J.

Aspaas voted yes; Ruthda W. Thomas voted yes; Charlie T. Jones, Jr. voted yes. *Motion carried, 4-0. Time: 9:20 pm.*

V. RECONCONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion by Randy Manning, second by Christina J. Aspaas to reconvene in Open Session: Randy Manning stated that the Board has discussed in the executive session only the subject identified in the agenda as the reason for which the meeting was closed: Discuss Limited Personnel Matter related to the continued employment of the Superintendent, as permitted under Section 10-15-1(h)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, and Communications with Legal Counsel regarding Pending or Threatening Litigation related to the same, pending federal litigation and update on transferred legal matters from previous counsel, as permitted under Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken: Randy Manning voted yes; Christina J. Aspaas voted yes; Ruthda W. Thomas voted yes; Charlie T. Jones, Jr. voted yes. *Motion carried, 4-0. Time: 11:02 p.m.*

VI. ACTION ITEM

A. Motion by Randy Manning, second by Christina J. Aspaas to rescind the Discharge Notice of Mr. Donald Levinski to be replaced with a similar notice at a later date. *Motion carried, 4-0.*

VII. DISCUSSION

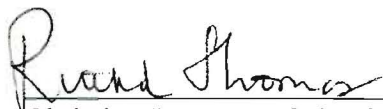
A. Items for the February 16, 2016 Regular School Board Meeting

- Remove from the Consent Agenda Items C – Unique Trip Request – Kirtland Elementary School – 2nd Grade – Durango-Silverton Train Station – Durango, CO – March 3, 2016; Item D – Heritage Education Center Donation Letters; Item E – Memorandum of Understanding with Capacity Builders, Inc. Sexual Assault Services of North West New Mexico, Navajo Nation, Central Consolidated School District, Community Representation; Item G – Per Capita Feeder Route Application; Item I – Approval of Personnel Settlement.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Randy Manning, second by Ruthda W. Thomas to adjourn the Work Session meeting at 11:15 p.m. *Motion carried, 4-0.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Christina J. Aspaas, School Board Secretary