

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes May 12, 2008

Pres. McLean called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center at the Charlevoix High School.

Present: Chris Michaud, Dean Spencley, John McLean, Bo Boss, Larry Levensgood, Diane Kilkenny, Jeff Stevens

Absent: None

Administrators present: Supt. Janik, Keith Haske, Dick Swenor, Suzanne Klinger, Shawn Biddle, and Kelly Yaroach

Guests present: Amy Pott, Karen Peterson, Guy Russell, Amy Russell, Nancy Grunch, Bill Herriman, Brian Rockafellow, Margie Culver, Nick Jones, Kaitlynn Johnson, Walter Wolletz, Caleb Arp, Diane Priess, Michael Arp, Janine Mullett-Gregory, Jim Jinsky, Shelly Stevenson, Bob Jones, Al Gooch, Stephanie Carey, Tim Carey, Meil Jones, Coreen Henry, Cindy Whitley, Sue Gengle, Roger and Jackie Rozema, Stacey Stewart, Todd Klinger, Lisa Potter, Karrie Gauthier, Carol Ward, Susan Klooster, Dave Pshaben, Steve Hopkins, Sara Cowan, Pram and Suzanne Acharya, Sara Muladore, Thomas Schultz, William Sheets, Kaye Frang, Cliff Jones, Kyle Jones, Corey Gotshall, Nate Tripplehorn

Moved by Chris Michaud, supported by Jeff Stevens, that the Charlevoix Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Diane Kilkenny, supported by Dean Spencley, that the Charlevoix Board of Education approve the minutes of the regular and closed meetings of April 14, 2008, the General fund bills paid by check #17578 to check #17742, and the Treasurers Report for April 2008 as presented.

Motion Carried 7-0

Public comment specific to the agenda

Several parents, students, and community members voiced their support of the industrial arts program at the middle school. Industrial arts program teacher, Brian Rockafellow read a prepared statement to the board asking them not to “chip away” at programs until we’ve reached the point of absolute necessity, indicating that his program is of equal value to other programs.

Annemarie Conway urged the board to grant the waiver of the nepotism policy
Superintendent’s comments/presentations

Student, staff, coach achievement/presentations

High School Students, Cliff and Kyle Jones, Corey Gotshall, and Nate Tripplehorn showed a powerpoint presentation of their trip to New Orleans with Mr. Certa to participate in the *Extreme Home Makeover* season finale. They had a great experience helping the families in need that were victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Communication

May and June elementary school calendars

Reports

Each building principal and the student representative gave a report to the board on current events in their buildings.

Kaye Frang and Shelly Stevenson from the local Head Start program gave an overview of their program to the Board.

New business

Moved by Diane Kilkenny, supported by Bo Boss, that the Charlevoix Board of Education approve the Char-Em ISD 2008-2009 general fund budget as presented.

Motion carried 7-0

Moved by Larry Levengood, supported by Chris Michaud, that the Charlevoix Board of Education approve the 2008-2009 budget reductions as recommended.

Motion failed 3-4

Opposed: Boss, Stevens, Spencley, Kilkenny

Moved by Dean Spencley, supported by Jeff Stevens, that the Charlevoix Board of Education approve the 2008-2009 budget reductions as recommended except the elimination of the middle school industrial arts program.

Motion carried 7-0

Moved by Diane Kilkenny, supported by Chris Michaud, that the Charlevoix Board of Education waive the nepotism policy to allow Todd Klinger to interview for the athletic director vacancy.

Motion failed 2-5

Opposed: Boss, Stevens, Levengood, McLean, Spencley

Public comments/general

Several more comments were made in support of Todd Klinger and Brian Rockafellow and the Industrial Arts program. Mike Gauthier asked how the extracurricular participation fee would be applied.

Moved by Jeff Stevens, supported by Dean Spencley to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing labor contract negotiations at 9:56 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0

Moved by Diane Kilkenny, supported by Chris Michaud to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0

Larry Levengood, Secretary