



The Board Workshop meeting of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by President William Simpson in the CMPS Board Office on Monday, February 5, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Bill Simpson, Lisa Lund, Rob Train, Brandy Ryan. Brennan Bowen arrived at 5:03 p.m.

Absent: Jim Lingeman, Bill Collins

Superintendent's Report:

1. Non-Homestead Millage Renewal on February 27, 2024: Supt. James is making rounds to townships to make sure the public is clear that this is a non-homestead millage renewal. It is not connected to our recent Bond Proposal. We are planning a postcard and social media campaign for later this month.
2. Bond Project: Mr. James updated the Board members on changes to the potential scope of the bond project. Key changes after the last community survey was to remove the option of football field turf and to reduce the total amount of the request. These changes enable the bond to be in two phases.
3. Emergency Operations Plan: A confidential plan was presented to the Board. This included a site assessment completed by Gary Valentine and an emergency operations plan. Supt. James asked the Board to look this over and it will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

Communication from the Public: Dennis Tissue expressed concern with the non-homestead millage renewal election. A discussion was conducted concerning the foundation allowance and how state funding works for schools.

Old Business: Motion by Lund, supported by Train to approve the following NEOLA updates.

- 0122 – Board Powers
- 1420 – School Administrator Evaluation
- 3131 – Staff Reductions/Recalls
- 3132 – Vacancies
- 3140 – Termination and Resignation Termination
- 3142 – Probationary Teachers
- 3220 – Professional Staff Evaluation

Those in favor 5, opposed 0. Motion carried.

New Business: Motion by Train, supported by Bowen, to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and purchase a Food Service Van from LaFontaine CDJR-Lansing at a price not to exceed \$50,000.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Simpson, Train, Lund, Bowen, Ryan. No – none. Those in favor 5, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Ryan, supported by Lund, to adjourn the regular meeting at 5:50 pm. Those in favor 5, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Brandy Ryan
Secretary