



The Special Board Workshop of the Central Montcalm Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Bill Simpson in the CMMHS Student Learning Center on Monday, August 28, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Bill Simpson, Bill Collins, Brennan Bowen, Lisa Lund, Jim Lingeman, Rob Train, Brandy Ryan

Absent: none

Superintendent's Report:

1. Countywide Board Meeting Monday, September 25, 2023. This will be held at Tri-County Schools and will include a tour of their new elementary building. Penny Dora needs to know who will be attending by September 15.
2. Bond Vote: The Board discussed concerns and possible failures of the August 8, 2023 election. They reviewed draft version of a new survey.

Motion by Ryan, supported by Collins, to move forward with a community survey to be delivered by postcard and electronically. The results of the survey will determine the next steps taken by the Board. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Collins, supported by Bowen, to proceed with paperwork for the Michigan Department of Treasury to bring the bond issue to voters for a May 2024 vote. This paperwork will be canceled if the Board decides not to move forward with another bond vote based on the results of the above survey. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

President Simpson opened the floor to public comment.

- Harvey Shick: From those he has spoken with, he thinks people are "done with high taxes". He thinks there may be a voter population we did not reach with the electronic survey. Postcards and door-to-door interactions will help.

Motion by Ryan, supported by Collins, to adjourn the Board Workshop at 6:15 pm. Those in favor 7, opposed 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Collins

Secretary