

Prairie Central CUSD #8  
Board Summary  
May 19, 2008

**At last night's special meeting (convened at 6 PM), the board . . .**

- (1) expelled two Upper Elementary students for the remainder of this year and all of next year, but allowed them the opportunity to re-enroll earlier than that with successful completion of a professional counseling program; and
- (2) adjourned at 7:21 PM.

**At last night's regular meeting (convened at 7:30 PM), the board . . .**

- (1) added the renewal of the auditor's contract to "New Business";
- (2) elected Roger Brown (president), Patty Haberkorn (vice-president), and Dan Froelich (secretary) to one-year terms;
- (3) approved the minutes of April 17;
- (4) approved the consent agenda (treasurer's, activity fund, petty cash, investment, financial, and cafeteria reports; financial summary; and both current and interim bills);
- (5) heard the superintendent's report, which included
  - (a) a review of this fiscal year's budget and an expression of concern about the arrival of early taxes and state aid monies,
  - (b) pending legislation involving the reporting of teacher misconduct,
  - (c) a recent curriculum council discussion (re: the spelling program, an articulated writing curriculum, a drug-free program for the middle grades, a pending report of the findings of the ambition committee, and teacher collaboration), and
  - (d) a recent technology committee meeting which centered on the need for a new implementation schedule based on the district's emerging needs and newly-approved tech plan;
- (6) accepted the bid of Randall's of Fairbury for fleet gasoline for the coming school term;
- (7) approved a final cost estimate of \$56,185 to air-condition computer labs and employee workrooms for the 2008-2009 school term;
- (8) renewed an agreement with the Boys and Girls Club of Prairie Central and a contribution of \$2,500 for the coming year;
- (9) created an early childhood special education and at-risk class at Meadowbrook Elementary School for 2008-2009;
- (10) authorized correspondence with attorneys of TIF districts in Chenoa and Chatsworth;
- (11) renewed the contract of Allison and Associates for the district's audit at a cost not to exceed \$7,900 (\$300 increase over the previous year);
- (12) entered and exited executive session;

- (13) accepted the resignations of Byron Nussbaum (bus driver), Chuck Whately (bus driver), Ginny Keneipp (sophomore volleyball coach at PCHS), George Baylous (custodian at Westview), Debbie Vaughan (math coach at PCHS), Jeff Curl (assistant boys basketball coach at PCHS), and Christopher Neidigh (assistant principal at PCHS);
- (14) appointed Daniel Casillas (assistant principal at PCHS), Rachel Vercler (ECSE/at-risk teacher at Westview), Rita Meister (ECSE/at-risk teacher at Meadowbrook), Jason Whitfill (8th grade baseball coach), Amy Steidinger (special education teacher at PCJHS - transfer), Chris Metz (math teacher and math team coach at PCHS), Mike Wolf (7th grade softball coach at PCJHS), Margaret Kaskavage (3 3/4 hour cafe worker at PCJHS), Alan Dunahee (head baseball coach at PCHS), and Miranda Miller (sophomore volleyball coach at PCHS); and
- (15) adjourned at 10:40 PM.

Faithfully submitted, John Capasso, Superintendent.