

**Central Community Unit School District 301
Board of Education Minutes**

Where: Central CUSD #301 District Office
Date: October 20, 2025

Regular
6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

Andrew Dogan	Y
Jeff Gorman	Y
Chad Herst	Y
Scott Mrkvicka	Y
Morgan Pappas	Y
Ryan Wasson	Y
Danielle Ward	N

BOE Meeting

1. Meeting call to order President Wasson called the meeting to order at 6:00:p.m.

1.C Roll Call - President Wasson called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

1.D Pledge of Allegiance:

1.E Approval of Agenda -

Motion by Pappas, second by Mrkvica, to approve the agenda as presented.

Voting yes: Pappas, Dogan, Gorman, Herst, Mrkvicka, Wasson

Voting no: None

Absent: Ward

2. Public Open Forum

3.A Recognition of Visitors –President Wasson welcomed the staff and visitors and thanked them for attending the meeting.

3.B Public Comments –

1. A member of the community addressed Item number 7 on the Consent Agenda, requesting that it be moved to Section E under the Consent Agenda to allow for discussion so that community members could better understand the process. He also requested the Board double-check the minutes for accuracy prior to voting on them and questioned why the approved Teacher contract had not yet been posted to the website. A question was raised about the budget and the percentages year over year regarding teacher salaries

2. A second community member shared information about tax increases from the county, including a proposed property tax increase, a gas tax increase of five cents per

gallon, and a considered increase in grocery tax of 1%. She also shared that schools take 70% of local taxes and felt that the Board should conduct an analysis of district administrative employees to determine if those positions were truly necessary.

President Wasson asks for a motion and a second to move agenda line number 3.7. "A resolution authorizing interventions in proceeding before The State of Illinois Property Tax appeal."

Motion by Dogan second by Pappas to move agenda line number 3-A-7 to line E

3. Action Reports

3.A Consent Agenda: The Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. Minutes
September 15, 2025 BOE Meeting
September 22, 2025 Special Board Meeting
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Payment of Bills
4. Payment of Bills - Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System
5. Personnel Report
6. Approve State Championship Overnight trip for Boys Golf
7. **A Resolution Authorizing Interventions in Proceeding Before The State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board**
8. Approval of the Illinois High School Theatre Festival: All State CHS Student Participation

Motion by Dogan second by Pappas to approve Consent Agenda 1-6 and 8

Voice Vote

Passed

B. Adoption of Middle School Textbooks

1. Adoption of Middle School Math Textbook Grades 6,7 and 8

Motion by Morgan second by Pappas to approve Adoption of MS Math Textbook

Voting yes: Pappas, Dogan, Gorman, Herst, Mrkvicka, Wasson

Voting no: None

Absent: Ward

2. Adoption of Middle School Science Textbook Grades 6,7 and 8

Motion by Morgan second by Pappas to approve Adoption of MS Science Textbook

Voting yes: Gorman, Herst, Mrkvicka, Pappas, Dogan, Wasson

Voting no: None

Absent: Ward

C. Recommendation for Approval of Wold Architects and Engineers' AIA B133 Agreement

Motion by Pappas second by Mrkvicka to approve Wold Architects and Engineers

Voting yes: Herst, Mrkvicka, Pappas, Dogan, Gorman, Wasson

Voting no: None

Absent: Ward

- D. Recommendation for Approval of STR Partners AIA B133 Agreement
Motion by Pappas second by Dogan to approve Wold Architects and Engineers
Voting yes: Mrkvicka, Pappas, Dogan, Gorman, Herst, Wasson
Voting no: None
Absent: Ward

- E. 7. Motion to Discuss a Resolution Authorizing Interventions in Proceeding Before The State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board

Daina Pflug, Business Manager, discussed the reasoning behind the Resolution and stated that this was not new to schools, but it was new to Central 301. She explained that relevant requests were sent to the district every year, though the District did not receive many such requests as they did not have much commercial business in the area. She noted that Target and Farm and Fleet were the two biggest businesses that were affected. She further explained that every year, school districts and taxing bodies received this letter if the value was more than \$100,000.00. The Resolution, therefore, requested the ability for the District's lawyers to intervene on their behalf when necessary, noting that they only had 60 days from the letter's receipt to intervene. She clarified that this process was time-sensitive, depending on when the letter was received relative to the next Board meeting. The Board discussed the resolution prior to voting.

A roll call was taken

Voting Yes: Gorman, Herst, Mrkvicka, Pappas, Dogan, Wasson
Voting No: None
Absent: Ward

4. Presentation.
- A. Facilities Report-Architects-Presentation by Dan Poloway copy of powerpoint in file
 - B. New Superintendent Profile by School Exec Connect-Dr. Brian Barnhart and Dr. Kevin O'Mara from School Exec Connect shared the profile for the Superintendent Search. Information in the board packet.
 - C. Language Requirements 2028-2029 and MS/HS Schedule Options-Stephen Buchs, Curriculum Director, gave a presentation on Language Mandates from the State of Illinois and possible ideas for changes in the middle school and high school schedules. This information was included in the board packet. Attendees were directed to email ideas and questions to Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Kilrea, or Stephen Buchs.
5. Information Only
The FOIA Report can be found in the board packet
6. New Business (Action)
Authorize District Civil Engineer and District Construction Manager to develop Architectural Drawing of proposed parking lot for Central High School

The Board discussed having the District Civil Engineer and the District Construction Manager provide architectural drawings for the proposed parking lot at Central High School and whether the use of funds to have this done would be beneficial at this time. Member Gorman asked if this had been started, and Dan Poloway told him it had not. Member Gorman then asked Mr. Poloway his thoughts on this.

Dan shared that there was a need for a parking lot, but there were several things that needed to be done in the district that were needed to keep the district and schools running on a day-to-day basis. Dan stated that ten to twelve thousand dollars would go a long way on the list.

President Wasson stated that at the last board meeting, the board had asked people to reach out about the parking issue, and he had not heard from anyone nor had he received any emails on the subject; the rest of the board shared they had not had any contact either. Dan shared that the cost of a new parking lot would be in the hundreds-of-thousand-dollar range, if not more. Member Gorman said he felt the parking was more of an issue in the beginning of the school year. Member Hurst asked if maybe there were ways they could better administer parking passes in the right way and possibly check the price of parking passes in neighboring districts to see if they needed to raise the cost of parking passes, noting that there were ways to improve the ways they used what they had. After discussion, the board felt they needed more information before proceeding with this step.

This discussion was tabled for future discussion.

7. Items for November 17th Board Meeting

- A. EFE Student Presentation-Terry Stroh
- B. Superintendent Update
- C. Survey results CHS
- D. Possible audit discussion-Daina Pflug
- E. Tax Levy-Daina Pflug
- F. State testing results (November or December)

8. Adjourn

Motion by Hurst and second by Mrkvicka to adjourn the meeting

Voice Vote taken

Adjourn 8:13 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary