

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on May 13, 2014 in the Middle School Library at Little Rock. Board president Amy Jurrens called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Board members Doug Krull, Ryan Klingenberg, Curt Fiedler, and Wade Netten were present. Also in attendance were Superintendent Steve Barber, Principals Molly Schilling and Mike Munson, Secretary Delinda Kruger, and guests Valecia West, Shari Kruse, Curt Schilling, Virginia Klaassen, Kevin and Tina Range, Miranda Dreesen and Clarissa Gerken.

Under board recognition, the Congressional record for Lyon County, supported by Senator Harkin, was presented to the district. Thanks to Shari Kruse for all her work in planning the retirement party held recently. Congratulations were extended to former student, Tyler Starr for being drafted to the NFL. Thanks to the staff, students, and community members for their time and input during the principal interviews. The students of the month in the high school are Jessica Sandbulte and Emily Hansmann. Hadley Madsen and Angel Koerselman were selected as the Character Counts students in the George Elementary. The board also acknowledged all of the families who have donated to the George-Little Rock Education Foundation. Scholarships given to students this year totaled \$15,000.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Krull, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

In honor of board recognition week, Mr. Barber presented each of the board members with a certificate of appreciation from IASB for their volunteer service, leadership, and dedication to the district and communities.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the meetings held on April 14 and 22, and May 1 & 2.

A motion to approve and pay the bills as presented was made by Krull, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

The motion was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0 to acknowledge and approve the financial reports.

Mrs. Schilling reported on Cognitive Guided Instruction. Guest professor Olaf Steinhorsdottir met with first and fourth grade students in George and presented results to the elementary staff. Track and field day will be held on May 20 in Little Rock.

Clarissa Gerken and Miranda Dreesen reported on their trips to both Lakeside Labs and NASA. They thanked the board for giving the students the opportunity to participate in these valuable learning experiences.

Seven students participated in the robotics competition held in Ames, and placed 4th of 52 teams.

They won the best team name “Talk Nerdy to Me”, and thanked Kary Conaway for helping them with their computer programming.

The students thanked Mrs. Johnson, Ms. Noble, and Mrs. Munson for their time spent with the STEM club activities, and also to Steve and Bernie Weier for cooking for the students at Lakeside Labs.

Ms. West reported that 18 art students traveled to Sioux Falls to experience an art show at the Pavilion and then went to Falls Park where they practiced their photography skills. Seven students participated in the Siouxland Conference Art Show at West Lyon. She had several of the winning entries displayed.

Mr. Munson reported that the SCIAC committee met at the Pizza Ranch on May 2nd. They heard comments from all of the sub-committees. He thanked the community members and the staff for their time and commitment.

The board reviewed the Northwest AEA board briefs of April 21.

They acknowledged the thank you note received from the STEM club.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to approve the following resignations: Brittany Klaahsen-Assistant Speech, and Ethan VanBriesen-Summer Rec Director.

Mr. Barber explained the interview process for the High School/Elementary Principal position at George, including strengths, and committee comments. Kevin Range was recommended to fill the position at an annual salary of \$83,500. A motion to approve was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

The following positions were presented for approval:

Levi Judge	High School Business	\$32,500
	Boys’/Girls’ Golf	\$ 3,600
Carissa Judge	Elementary Teacher	\$35,150
	Head Volleyball Coach	\$ 3,600
Tyler Glanzer	MS/HS Math	\$33,150
Amanda Fredrichson	Elementary Teacher	\$32,500

Mr. Barber reported that the new van has arrived. Bus specs have been sent and bids are due back by May 23. There are still a couple of positions open, so we will continue to advertise and consider different options. He discussed the summer projects, including the windows and sidewalk at George.

The revenue purposes for the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation were reviewed. Several revisions were discussed, and a work session will be held in July to set additional priorities.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0 to approve the following

board policies along with additional policies in Series 300, 400, and 600 (per attached list):

- 102 Equal Educational Opportunity*
- 603.4 Multi-Cultural/Gender Fair Education*
- 711.02 Student Conduct on School Transportation*
- 302.01 Superintendent Qualifications, Recruitment, Appointment*
- 401.09 Employee Political Activity*
- 402.02 Child Abuse Reporting*
- 402.03 Abuse of Students by School District Employees*
- 403.05 Substance-Free Workplace*
- 404.01 Employee Conduct and Appearance*
- 407.06 Licensed Employee Early Retirement*
- 409.04 Licensed Employee Bereavement Leave*
- 410.01 Substitute Teachers*
- 414.02 Classified Employee Personal Illness Leave*
- 414.04 Classified Employee Bereavement Leave*

A motion to approve two open enrollment applications from the Sheldon district was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0. Mr. Barber informed the board that additional staffing may be required.

The three-year contract renewal from Juvenile Court Services for the liaison position was reviewed. In addition, a travel stipend of \$1,000 will be added to the contract and will be shared equally with Central Lyon. A motion to continue the position and approve the stipend was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

The summer rec director position was discussed. A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to set the salary at \$1,500, with the amount to be revisited annually.

A motion to approve a 3.5% salary increase for classified staff was made by Klingenberg, and seconded by Krull. Voting aye were Klingenberg, Krull, Fiedler, and Jurrens. Netten abstained from the vote. Motion carried 4-0.

Bids for district audit services were due on April 30. One bid was received from from East, VanderWoude, Grant & Co. for a three year total of \$35,550. A motion to approve was made by Krull, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

The next meeting will be held in George on June 9. There will be a work session at 6:00 P.M. with the board meeting to follow at 7:45 P.M.

A motion to move to closed session at 8:20 P.M. to finalize the Superintendent evaluation was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn at 9:55 P.M. was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.