

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
November 12, 2012

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on November 12, 2012 in the Middle School Librray at Little Rock. Board president Amy Jurrens called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were board members Doug Krull, Ryan Klingenberg, Curt Fiedler, and Terrence Clark; Superintendent Janel Guse; Principals Molly Schilling and Mike Munson; Secretary Delinda Kruger; and guests Sharon Klaahsen, Brittany Klaahsen, and Geoff Kruse.

The board recognized the football, volleyball, and cross country teams for their successful seasons. Tyler Wessels qualified for the state cross country meet and received 37th place. Adam Techen was chosen for All-State Choir for the fourth year, and the Dance Team received 3rd place at the state competition. The fall play was a success with approximately 400-500 in attendance. The Veteran's Day program was held in the high school gymnasium, and was well attended. Taylor Carstenson and Amber Stettnichs were named students of the month in the high school, and McKenzie Post and Emily Winkel were the Character Counts students of the month in the George Elementary. Jordyn Clark was chosen to participate as a member of the cheerleader honor squad at the state high school football playoff games.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Clark, and carried 5-0 to adopt the agenda with one addition under Personnel, Contracts for Coaching.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Clark, and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the October 17 meeting.

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

Mrs. Guse reported on the results of the recent bus inspection, and thanked Jack Stubbe and Dave Klaahsen for their help in cleaning and preparing the vehicles for the inspection. She also presented the 2013 Legislative talking points including allowable growth, unfunded mandates and the Iowa Core.

Mr. Munson and Mrs. Schilling reported on the attendance at parent-teacher conferences, along with athletic numbers in wrestling, and girls' and boys' basketball programs.

Tony Taylor, with Koch Hazard Architects was unable to make it to the meeting to discuss the fire escape project at Little Rock. The initial estimate for the project was \$117,000. The grant from the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for \$30,000 was approved, and will be received when the project is completed.

A profile of savings for 2011 was received from the Iowa Educators Consortium, which outlined the savings the district realized by purchasing a variety of products through them.

A letter of resignation/early retirement was received from Lynette Kruger effective at the end of the school year. The board extended their appreciation for her years of dedication to the district and the students. Resignations were also received from Mitch Lupkes, Middle School Wrestling Coach, and Deanna Scott, dishwasher. A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to approve the resignations, and offer thanks to all of them.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to issue contracts to Brian Luenberger - Assistant Boys' Basketball, and Paul Konechne - MS Wrestling.

The board reviewed the list of potential casino revenue uses.

Geoff Kruse updated the board on the 1:1 laptops. There have been very few issues with them, and the teachers have been great in the transition. The televisions have been installed at George and will be installed at Little Rock by the first basketball game.

Revised weight room information was presented. Proposed changes were made by the athletic director and principals, including hours of availability. This is not a board policy, but will be reviewed at the next meeting.

In order for school to start prior to August 26, 2013, an early start date must be approved. A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0 to approve the waiver to begin school prior to that date.

Krull moved to authorize an application to the SBRC for additional on-time funding allowable growth for seven students who were not included on the 2011-12 student count. Motion was seconded by Clark, and carried 5-0 to approve. The amount of the application is \$41,181.

Ag Instructor Tara Fastert, and FFA member Brent Klingenberg explained some of the activities the FFA has been involved with. They presented a slide show of the work that has been completed at the farm. They have purchased 10 bred stock cows, and will be purchasing 10 feeder calves. Contracts will be sold to the students for investments, and the profits will be divided accordingly. The contracts can be kept for up to two years after graduation.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on December 10 at 5:30 P.M. in George.

A motion to adjourn was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.