

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 17, 2012

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on September 17, 2012 in the Middle School Library at Little Rock. Board president Amy Jurens called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M. with the following board members in attendance: Doug Krull, Ryan Klingenberg, and Terrence Clark. Curt Fiedler was absent. Also present were Secretary Delinda Kruger, Molly Schilling, Mike Munson, Jenna Noble, and Valecia West.

The public hearing was held to consider the proposal for the continued participation in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five years. The amount of the funding will be determined annually by the Board, not to exceed ten percent of the total regular program district cost for the budget year. This item will be presented for approval as part of the agenda.

The board recessed until 7:00 P.M. Superintendent Janel Guse, Tara Fastert, Lynette Kruger, Deija Taylor, and Faydra Decker arrived at that time.

Under board recognition, Ben Starr and Alex Wiertzema were elected as co-presidents of the student body for 2012-13. The students who participated in the mass band performance at the football game did a great job.

A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Krull, and carried 4-0 to adopt the agenda with one addition, the fire escape project at Little Rock.

Klingenberg moved to approve the minutes of the August 16 meeting, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to approve the financial reports and pay all bills as presented.

Tara Fastert, Faydra Decker, and Deija Taylor reported on the trip to the Iowa Farm Progress Show. Twelve FFA students from George-Little Rock made the trip, along with twenty four students from Central Lyon, and five adults. While there, they attended the Monsanto Grant presentation of \$10,000 to Mrs. Guse and Jenna Noble.

Mrs. Guse presented a transportation report, listing all of the district vehicles, their year, mileage to date, and recommended the possible purchase of an additional vehicle.

She also reported on the following: tentative enrollment numbers, and the final window replacement was completed in the George Elementary. The middle school football field at Little Rock needs additional work, so the scheduled game will be played at Central Lyon's field due to safety reasons.

Mrs. Guse explained the recent situation with the Sheriff's department, and that information was distributed to the public per their direction.

Mrs. Schilling reported on the participant numbers in the fall sports including volleyball, football, and cross-country.

Mr. Munson's report included a five-year comparison of ACT scores for district students. He also surveyed a total of 14 schools regarding weighted classes. The current committee has recommended that GLR not weight any classes at this time. Also, including PE in a student's GPA would validate the importance of PE in the curriculum.

Jenna Noble addressed the board regarding board support for future science trips to Lakeside Lab at Milford, IA. The next scheduled trip is October 19-22. She is requesting that the board contribute one-half the tuition (\$45) per student for the trip.

A letter was received from the IHSAA regarding coach and athlete conduct. They offered congratulations to the district for not having any coaches or athletes ejected during the 2011-12 school year.

The board reviewed a letter from APEX Structural Design, who completed a site observation to determine the cause of the collapse of the ceiling in the high school library. This engineering firm represents ARS, the roofing company who completed the work on the high school building at the time of the collapse.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 4-0 to approve a resignation received from Tim Walker, MS wrestling coach. The board offered their thanks and appreciation for his years of service to the students.

A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 4-0 to approve a substitute bus driver contract for Jim McConnell, and a bus driver contract to Melvin Winter.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to approve Patrice Peters as a volunteer coach for girls' basketball.

The board reviewed the potential casino revenue uses. The GLR Foundation scholarship has been removed from the list per recommendation from the auditor.

A motion was made by Clark, and seconded by Klingenberg to approve the resolution to continue to participate in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five years. A roll call vote was taken with the following voting aye: Terrence Clark, Ryan Klingenberg, Doug Krull, and Amy Jurrens. Nays: none. Motion carried 4-0.

Board Policy 407.06 Licensed Employee Early Retirement was presented for review. A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 4-0 to approve the first reading of the policy. It will be presented at the October meeting for adoption.

A proposal for laptop computer insurance was received from Otter Valley Insurance. After some discussion, the consensus of the board was not to purchase the additional coverage.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to increase both student and instructor driver's education fees by \$5, which will make the 2012-13 student fee \$225, and the instructor's fee \$170 per student.

A motion to approve the district's substitute list for 2012-13 was made by Krull, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to approve the trip to Lakeside Labs for science studies and to contribute \$45 per student.

Revised board policy 401.01 *Equal Employment Opportunity* was presented. A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Krull, and carried 4-0 to waive the second reading and approve.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to approve the application for allowable growth and supplemental aid for the negative special education balance for 2011-12.

A grant proposal to the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for the construction of a new fire escape at the Little Rock site was presented for board approval. The amount of the proposal is \$58,500, with the remainder of the cost to be paid from the PPEL fund or the SAVE fund. A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Clark, and carried 4-0 to approve the proposal application.

A motion was made by Clark, seconded by Krull, and carried 4-0 to approve Koch-Hazard as the architects to work with the building code inspector for the fire escape project at Little Rock. The estimated cost of the project at this time is \$117,325.

The next meeting will be held on October 17 at 8:00 P.M. in George.

A motion to adjourn was made by Clark, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 4-0.