

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
September 16, 2014

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on September 16, 2014 in the Middle School Library at Little Rock. Board president Amy Jurrens called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. after which the pledge of allegiance was recited. Board members present were Doug Krull, Ryan Klingenberg, Curt Fiedler, and Wade Netten. Also in attendance were Superintendent Steve Barber, Principals Molly Schilling and Kevin Range, Secretary Delinda Kruger, and guests Valecia West and Melia Winter.

Mr. Barber recognized the members of the advisory council for the FFA farm, including Paul Altena, Ryan Klingenberg, Glenn Eben, and Amanda Altman, and thanked them for their support for the program. Thanks were extended to the George Chamber of Commerce for hosting the annual breakfast for staff, as well as the Pizza Ranch and the Security Savings Bank for providing lunch. New logo mats were ordered for the commons area, with the Mustang Athletic Booster club purchasing one of them. Mr. Barber and Mr. Range toured Sudenga Industries and acknowledged their support of our students. Preschool family night was a success and Mrs. Schilling thanked Jack and Miles Master for helping to supervise the children who were not a part of the event. The veteran staff was commended for helping the new staff members, and for welcoming them to the district. Mrs. Schilling acknowledged all of the fall sports teams, including the coaches. Mr. Range congratulated the volleyball and cross-country teams for their early success, and also the FFA Judging team who placed 5<sup>th</sup> at the Clay County Fair, with Taia Ommen, who placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall. He also recognized the pep band for their outstanding pre-game

performance at the volleyball game.

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

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the August 11 and September 2 meetings.

The list of bills was presented for approval. Included this month was the district's liability insurance, which had an increase of approximately \$18,000 from the past year, due in part to work comp and property damage claims. A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to approve and pay all bills as presented.

A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to acknowledge receipt of the financial reports.

Mrs. Schilling reported there were 29 students in attendance at the Preschool Family Night which was held on September 9<sup>th</sup>. She and Mrs. VerSteeg, along with Joyce VerMeer from Northwest AEA, are now preparing for the preschool desk audit due in December.

Mr. Range presented ACT scores and data from 2010 through 2014. GLR graduates have scored above the state average four of the last five years. These scores indicate that our students are well-prepared for both college and careers.

The board reviewed the Northwest AEA board briefs from their meeting on August 18.

A letter was received from the IHSAA, recognizing the district as being one of 178 schools who had no athletes or coaches ejected during the 2013-14 school year.

The IASB annual convention will be held November 19-20 in Des Moines. Board members interested in attending should contact the office to confirm reservations.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to approve the following recommendations for employment: Jennifer VanderVeen - Middle School Boys' Basketball coach @ \$1,800, and Virginia Wibben - kitchen help @ \$8.50/hour.

Mr. Barber's report included enrollment projections for 2014-15. At this time the numbers indicate an increase of approximately 10-15 students over last year. The official count date is October 1. He updated the board on professional development, including the mentor and induction program. He also emphasized the district goals to improve student learning, and the progress that the staff is making towards developing those goals. He explained the 2013-14 AYP determination for Reading and Mathematics in each building, the participation rates and annual measurable objectives. He discussed the potential of offering a summer school program which would support literacy and target grades K-3 students who are struggling.

Mr. Barber thanked all the staff for their work on the committees, and staff development working through the 2013-14 AYP Notification.

The board reviewed the list of potential revenue uses of the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation.

*Pastor Dale Lint has been working hard in organizing the backpack program. There has been a total of 61 distributed each of the past two weeks.*

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

*GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
September 16, 2014*

*The George-Little Rock Board of Education held its reorganizational meeting immediately following the regular meeting on September 16, 2014. Superintendent Barber called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. Board members Amy Jurrens, Ryan Klingenberg, Doug Krull, Curt Fiedler, and Wade Netten were present. Also in attendance were Principals Molly Schilling and Kevin Range; Secretary Delinda Kruger; and guests Valecia*

West and Melia Winter.

One item was added to the agenda under New Business--#7 Consider Intra-District Transportation Agreements. A motion to adopt the revised agenda was made by Jurrens, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber called for nominations for board president. Klingenberg nominated Amy Jurrens, and Fiedler nominated Doug Krull. Krull declined the nomination due to job constraints, therefore Jurrens was declared President.

Motion was made by Fiedler seconded by Netten and carried 5-0 to nominate Doug Krull as Vice-President.

The oath of office was administered to both Jurrens and Krull by Board Secretary Kruger.

Netten moved to appoint Delinda Kruger as Board Secretary for 2014-15, Fiedler seconded, and motion carried 5-0. The oath of office was administered to her by President Amy Jurrens.

A motion was made by Fiedler, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to approve the following committee members for 2014-15:

Boyden-Hull Sharing	Wade Netten and Curt Fiedler
Central Lyon Sharing	Ryan Klingenberg and Doug Krull
Salary/Negotiations/Personnel	Ryan Klingenberg and Amy

Jurrens

PERL Committee	Curt Fiedler
Buildings/Grounds	Ryan Klingenberg and Curt Fiedler
Budget	Wade Netten and Doug Krull

IASB Delegate

Doug Krull

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to name the Lyon County News and the Little Rock Free Lance as the official newspapers for 2014-15.

A motion to name the Security Savings Bank, Frontier Bank, and ISJIT as the official banking depositories for 2014-15 was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to establish a \$3,000,000 depository limit.

A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to name Steve Avery of Cornwall, Avery, Bjornstad & Scott, Spencer, IA as legal counsel for 2014-15.

A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to approve board meeting dates for 7:00 P.M. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at alternate sites.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to authorize payment of claims before the board meeting date according to board policy **705.03 Payment for Goods and Services**.

Mr. Barber and Amy Jurrens reported on the ABLE meeting sponsored by IASB which they attended in Sheldon recently. They presented assessment pieces in comparison to the ITBS method.

Mr. Barber presented an estimate of \$31,474.41 from Alliant Energy for the replacement of the server in the boiler room at Little Rock. The

estimated cost from M & D Electric is \$34,000. It will take anywhere up to ten weeks for the construction of the electrical box that is required for the project. A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Klingenberg and carried 5-0 to proceed with the project and allow up to \$70,000 as a total cost. This will be paid from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund.

A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0 to table the Classified Benefit Guidelines until October.

Michele Johnson and Jenna Noble are requesting permission to take four students and one chaperone to the Johnson Space Center in Houston, TX in March 2015. The cost will be approximately \$450 per person. The students will be doing some fundraising, and are asking that the school pay for the cost of the chaperone's trip fees, the cost of the substitute teacher, and transportation to LeMars. A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0 to approve the request.

A second request was received from Jenna Noble for permission to take 6-8 students to Lakeside Lab in Milford from October 11-13. The cost of the trip would include the tuition fee of \$100 for her, the cost of a substitute teacher for one day, and transportation. A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to approve the request.

A motion was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Krull, and carried 5-0 to approve making application for the (TLC) Teacher Leadership and Compensation Grant in the amount of \$136,529.

The board discussed the identification of best board practices, including goals and standards for FY15. A work session will be scheduled in October for further discussion.

*A motion was made by Krull, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0 to approve the request for intra-district transportation from Northwest AEA, so that route buses from Sheldon, Sibley-Ocheyedan, and Boyden-Hull may enter the district for safety reasons only and not for student pick-up.*

*The next meeting will be held on October 13 in George at 7:00 P.M., with a work session to follow.*

*A motion to adjourn was made by Krull, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.*