

## GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

#### Regular Meeting

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on December 14, 2015 in the Middle School Library in Little Rock. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance recited. Board members present were Doug Krull, Wade Netten, Todd Klein, Ryan Klingenberg, and Curt Fiedler. Also in attendance were Superintendent Steve Barber, Board Secretary Cathy Bonestroo, Principal Molly Schilling, and guests Karie Aeikens, Valecia West, Amanda Friedrichsen, Virginia Klaassen, Dawn Arends, Judy Klaahsen, and Amy Jurrens. A quorum was established and noted as all board members were present. Citizens were invited to address the board with no discussion brought forward.

In recognition, Superintendent Barber recognized and thanked the high school students who helped with STEM day, all students, parents, educators, and community members who go above and beyond for our children. President Krull presented Amy Jurrens a plaque in recognition for her 16 years of service to the district and thanked her for her dedication and continued involvement as the new Iowa Association of School Board's President.

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

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the bills was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the financial reports was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber reported on the academic report card snapshot based on fall testing. New Iowa School Report Card will be included in the future to replace the Academic Report Card. Smarter balance will be in the near future where everyone will take the tests the same time period versus currently where some districts test in the fall while others in the spring. Mr. Barber shared ACT results and reported that a prep day was offered this year to students in preparing for the ACT tests. Mr. Barber reported that Bright Byte surveys are complete.

Written principal reports were presented. The board reviewed the Northwest AEA Board Briefs of November 16, 2015.

Superintendent Barber made the following recommendations for hire: Larry Marra as special education route driver at \$25 per trip for a new route; Tim Mauldin as assistant speech coach for \$500; Bill Kirch as a paraprofessional at the certified teacher rate of \$10/hour. A motion to approve was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler and carried 5-0. Curt Fiedler was recommended for hire as high school boys track coach at \$2500 per policy as board member. A motion to approve was made by Netten, seconded by Klein, and carried 4- 0 with Fiedler abstaining.

Michele Johnson was recommended for hire as the 2016-2017 Secondary Instructional Coach with 10 additional days stipend at \$7000. Discussion was held clarifying the position as part of the Teacher Leadership Grant. Two positions were advertised with no elementary applications received. A motion to approve was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

A recommendation was made to accept the resignation of Tyler Glanzer as middle school baseball coach. A motion to approve was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber presented his superintendent report. The Little Rock roof leak incident was sealed and reported to insurance where it will be determined if it is covered by insurance. Over the holiday break, the bank board lights hope to be installed and gym lights replaced. The auditor is waiting for the audit to be reviewed with a report of findings anticipated before Christmas. The copier lease was reviewed with data being analyzed to curb copying costs. The personnel sub-committee will meet regarding collective bargaining. SIAC meeting will be held on Friday. The new state accountability results will be made public later this week. Facility subcommittee met regarding the facility with the Little Rock entrance being looked into for Genius Week. The high school library leak was repaired during which it was noted that the roof above the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor bathroom needs replacing. The HVAC system in the elementary was discussed with Norm DeWitt working on 3 options and is willing to be present at the January board meeting. The transportation fleet as of November 9 was shared. Discussion was held regarding adding an additional vehicle and consideration of a bus with alternative fuel sources of gas, propane, and diesel discussed. The new computer leases were discussed with the new lease at \$61,000 per year, 165 of the 3560's possible for buy back, and the leased computers that were returned will be billed at \$4500 for damages. Video plans from mass media class to highlight the school are being worked on by Ashley DeBoer and Jacob Starr. Greenhouse location is still being considered.

The Lyon County Riverboat Foundation revenue uses were reviewed with no action taken.

A motion to approve the second reading of the Early Retirement Policy 407.06 was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

The first reading of Policy 200 series with noted changes was reviewed noting areas for review including conflict of interest, code of ethics, education programs and procedures, president's authority, and closed meeting laws. A motion to approve the first reading was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, carried 5-0.

The NASA spring trip request was presented for approval. A motion to approve the NASA trip to Texas and support the cost of sending one chaperone was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the transfer from general fund to LCRF funds of \$2427.80 from library expenses for library books purchased and \$1348 from student field trips was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0.

A recommendation to approve the Senior privileges for second semester was made. A motion to table the recommendation until January when senior class representation can speak to the board was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A recommendation to approve the amendment agreement with Continuum Energy to continue to supply gas at Little Rock and add the high school buildings with a monthly rental meter of \$47 and lower administrative charges and lower costs per therm, while not risking being shut down in bitterly cold conditions as with Alliant. A motion was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the LCRF teacher grant for \$5000 for Genius Week with all high school teachers involved was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, carried 5-0.

Next board meeting was set for Monday, January 11 at 7:00 pm in George.

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