

## GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on January 11, 2016 in the High School Library in George. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Star Spangled Banner was sung by Conner Jurrens, Spencer Carstensen, Steven Swacker, Dalton Van Briesen, and Erik VanderLaan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board members present were Doug Krull, Wade Netten, Todd Klein, and Curt Fiedler with Ryan Klingenberg absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent Steve Barber, Board Secretary Cathy Bonestroo, Principal Kevin Range, Principal Molly Schilling, and guests Aleene Williams, Norm deWit, Valecia West, Karie Aeikens, Amy Jurrens, Jerry Jurrens, Lois Jurrens, Gary Siebring, Bev Siebring, Brenda Sandbulte, and Tim Mauldin. A quorum was established. Citizens were invited to address the board with no discussion brought forward.

Superintendent Barber recognized the seed sale donators and contributors and all the students, staff, and community members participating with Genius Week. Principal Kevin Range recognized STEM day and all those involved; community members who assisted with Genius Week – Craig Johnson, Sudenga Industries, Sioux Center Holiday Inn Express for their use of facilities for experiments; and staff. Principal Schilling recognized middle school students with perfect attendance and their parents, Mr. Mauldin and students who caroled to community members, LeRoy, Linda, and Judy for filling in during Dawn's absence. An adopted agenda was requested to add an action item regarding a LCRF resolution.

A motion to approve the adopted agenda was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

Aleene Williams reported on the 2015 Audit focusing on the changes to the financial statements due to GASB 68 and its complexity with the first year of implementation.

Norm deWit presented a proposal with options to update the HVAC system in the Elementary building in George.

Ashley DeBoer represented the senior class requesting the consideration for senior privileges.

A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve the bills was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve the financial reports was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

Written principal reports were presented. Principal Schilling reported 3 new students, improvements with the use of technology upgrades and the new laptops, updated numbers for wrestling, and upcoming mock trial for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Principal Range reported on the success of STEM Day and Genius Week seeing improvements from the previous year, good collaborations and impressive presentations.

The board reviewed the Northwest AEA Board Briefs of December 14, 2015. Superintendent Barber shared a thank you received from the Eunice Becker family and invited the board to participate in the Legislative "Day on the Hill" in February. Mr. Barber also presented the IAEP Food Purchasing Report noting a savings to the district of \$10,282.72.

Superintendent Barber presented resignations from Trevor Chadwick and Billy Kirch for board approval. A motion to approve the resignations was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

Superintendent Barber made the following recommendation for hire: Joel Hoogland as middle school track coach for \$1500. A motion to approve was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten and carried 4-0.

Superintendent Barber reported on the Bright Bytes survey and the results compared to the previous year. The Iowa Report Card was also reviewed and explained. Administrative reviews and the state board legal authority were also discussed. Discussion regarding partnering with city councils, leaders, community members, and development groups regarding student numbers and availability of housing will be pursued for February or March board meetings. The At Risk MAG process was discussed with the new updated paperwork and deadline approaching. The Good Samaritan Society's Emergency Plan was reviewed.

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

A motion to approve the second reading of Board Policy Series 200 was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve senior privileges for second semester 2015-2016 was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

Superintendent Barber presented the traverse and suburban bids received for the school vehicle with the recommendation for the Chevy Traverse from VanderLee Motors as the lowest bid and recommended model by the sub-committee. A motion to approve the bid and purchase of the Chevy Traverse for \$27,350 was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

A motion to send out bus bids to purchase a gas powered bus was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve the letter to be presented to the GLREA regarding possible staff reduction pending needs, per the Master Contract, was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve the disposal of non-functional uniforms by making them available to the public for \$5 each was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein.

A motion to appoint Ryan Klingenberg to be the representative to the County Assessor Board was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 4-0.

LCRF Grant for classroom technology was reviewed with tablets recommended over iPads as being more compatible to the current system. A motion to approve the request for LCRF Grant to purchase Galaxy Nexus Seven for Education tablets for each 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at \$421.44 each with a total of 4 tablets was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 4-0.

Discussion was held regarding a phone request from Compass Pointe of Hull for a LCRF resolution for a competitive grant for gambling and gaming addictions. No motion was made as the board felt more information was needed and a review of the proposed grant preferred before making a resolution.

A special board meeting was set for Thursday, February 4 (since changed to Monday, February 8) at 6:00 pm in George to discuss the HVAC options for the Elementary building in George and approve the financial statements from the audit.

The next regular board meeting was set for Monday, February 15 at 5:30 pm in Little Rock.

A motion to adjourn was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 4-0.