

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, May 10 in the Library in Little Rock. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Doug Krull, Wade Netten, Todd Klein, Curt Fiedler, and Ryan Klingenberg. Also in attendance were Superintendent Steve Barber, Board Secretary Cathy Bonestroo, Principal Kevin Range, Principal Molly Schilling, and guests Valecia West, Kim Dykstra, Kameron Lefebvre, Sharon Klaahsen, Dawn Arends, Norm DeWitt, Tina Sherrill-Range, Michele Johnson, Josh Haken, Joe Anderson, Blake Johnson, Jayden Mauldin, Jillian DeBoer, Ann Barkel, and Karie Aeikens. A quorum was established. Citizens were invited to address the board with no discussion brought forward.

Superintendent Barber recognized the GLR Foundation Committee and the successful Awards Night noting the high number of scholarship recipients. Also recognized were the Zoar Presbyterian Women's Circle for their donation of \$660 towards choir robes from the night of music offering, the successful music events and Mr. Swartz standing in for Mrs. Poor Bear.

Principal Kevin Range recognized Mariah Terhark as the governor's scholar, the band's I rating and chorus' II rating at large group contest, Curt and Lori Fiedler and the track teams with districts approaching, Mr Judge and the golf teams, Miss West and the art displays, and Security Savings Bank, Mother's of Prayer, and the board for providing special treats during teacher appreciation week. Principal Schilling recognized Payge Bechler and being eligible for state summer Olympic event and Melinda DeLeeuw as special Olympics coach, spring concerts, and the middle school track team with several records broken.

An adopted agenda was requested to add Norm DeWitt to address the HVAC bids. A motion to approve the adopted agenda was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber recognized board members for May School Board Recognition month and thanked them for their time, effort, and leadership. Each were presented certificates of recognition from Iowa Association of School Boards' President Amy Jurrens.

A public hearing was held to approve the amended school calendar to meet the master contract and professional days for 180 school days and 5 ½ professional development days. No public comment was received.

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

Norm DeWitt addressed the board on the HVAC project and the bids coming in higher than expected. Norm explained the typical mechanical costs and how the architects estimate was completed for the \$390,000 estimate. Only two bids were received with the low bid of \$562,000 received from Krier and Blaine from Sioux Falls. Unanticipated general contractor and electrical bids came to about \$35,000. Adjustments were presented bringing the revised low bid to \$477,118. Rebidding was discussed with the proposed best bidding time period being January or February but not expecting bids to be below \$450,000. No additional charges will be owed to Norm for rebids.

A motion to approve the bills was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve the interfund transfer loan payment \$14,240 including interest was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

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

Mr. Lefebvre and Jillian DeBoer presented about the Lakeside Lab experience and the hands on learning. Jillian shared about her experience and the small group experience to apply learning. Four students represented GLR with four schools present with seven faculty and twenty-five students in attendance. The board thanked them for sharing.

Jayden Mauldin, Blake Johnson, Joe Anderson, and Josh Haken presented their Frisbee Golf Course proposal from Genius Week similar to golf where Frisbees are thrown into baskets and good for all ages. A nine hole course is proposed in the George Campground pending board resolution and success of mini grant application from Lyon County Riverboat Foundation. The board thanked them for their presentation.

The second year of Cognitive Guided Instruction (CGI) for K-5th was reported on by Mrs. Barkel and Mrs. Aeikens. CGI was explained with all math work based on real life and eleven types of problems versus just adding and subtracting. CGI was reported as successful at creating flexible thinkers, developing problem solvers, collaboration, students understanding the “why’s”, and teachers ability to see progression. The board thanked them for sharing.

Written principal reports were shared. The 2016 graduation class list was shared again with no changes to date. Graduation rates were submitted publicly with the 4 year rate of 96.4% above state average which was 90.8% and drop out 0% compared to state 2.4%. The board reviewed the Northwest AEA Board Briefs of April 18, 2016. The board was encouraged to participate in the upcoming IASB Educational Equity Webinar. Facility update was shared with second year of 1:1 program and buy back of some computers. Carpets, HVAC project, McDonald Roofing projects and the elementary leak were discussed. Pricing estimate was low and a design change needed on the Little Rock front entrance project. The new bus is scheduled to arrive in August. The parking lot lines were discussed and the board was encouraged to participate in IASB board workshops.

A motion to approve the recommended resignations from Michele Johnson as National Honor Society advisor and Randy Meester as drivers' ed instructor was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0. Both were thanked for their service.

Superintendent Barber made the following recommendations for hire: Brenda Sandbulte, Karie Aeikens, and Lissa Harson as model teachers for the TLC team with Mrs. Johnson but remaining in the classroom with a three extra day separate contract for \$3000 each. A motion to approve was made by Klein, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve summer reading teachers, Melinda DeLeeuw, Kim Dykstra, and Amy Stump for \$20 per hour serving two summer school sections for 30 days was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve Jordan Kruse and Allyssa Krull as summer reading support at \$12.00 per hour to assist in maintaining small groups was made by Klingenberg, with no support, so motion was tabled. A motion to approve Meghan Krausman as assistant volleyball coach at \$2520 and Little Rock special education teacher at \$30,000 with conditional licensing for special education was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve Thomas Vigdal as middle school football coach at \$1500 was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 4-0 with Fiedler abstaining. A motion to approve Brittany Negus as NHS advisor for \$500 was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve Jessica Glanzer as

summer rec coordinator at \$1500 was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0. A motion to approve Joel Hoogland as volunteer cross country coach was made by Netten, seconded by Klein, carried 5-0. A motion to approve Ron Schneider as volunteer volleyball coach was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber shared bus inspections reports with bus number 1 being taken out of service until repairs were completed. Mrs. Peters and AEA analyzed special education needs. ESL teacher is still in need. Suggestions have been made to help with the football sharing agreement. Pre-season football scrimmage at George location is scheduled for August 19 at 6:30 with a cook-out. September 9 will celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the state championship team. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of purchasing used Central Lyon weight room equipment and the exploration of making the old concession stands which is currently used for storage into a student weight room. The summer school roster and budget for the food nutrition program for those attending summer school with reimbursement estimated at \$3500 are being finalized. Area substitute rates were shared. Computer system issues have been reported to the insurance company with concerns of lightning strike. Wade Netten volunteered to hand out diplomas at graduation. Dates will be requested from mayors for upcoming meetings.

Lyon County Riverboat Foundation uses were reviewed.

A motion to approve the modified 2016-2017 school calendar was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

The HVAC bids were discussed with re-bid preferred by board for fall/winter. A motion to reject the bids and rebid early fall/winter was made by Fiedler, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the Health Service contract for 2016-17 was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve juvenile liaison officer contract with courts with same support was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the bid of \$31,891.08 for a new server from Premier was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the four open enrollment applications having met all guidelines was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the employee insurance options replacing the Classic 200 which is no longer available with HDHP2500 (High Deductible Health Plan) with HSA (Health Savings Account) to create more flexibility for employees was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0. It was reported that Classic 750 and Classic 1250 will not be available next year so they will need to be revisited.

A motion to approve the board resolution presented, adding the backboard with lights project, was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

June board meeting was set for Monday, June 13 at 7:00 pm in George. A work session will be held May 16 at 7:00 pm in George.

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