

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 12 in the Library in Little Rock. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 Nyla Hellinga, Kim Dykstra, Megan Krull, and Alicia Bonestroo. A quorum was established. Citizens were invited to address the board with no discussion brought forward.

Principal Schilling recognized students and staff with their upcoming music concerts, the festive décor in the middle school by Dawn and Geraldine, Pastor Lint and Mr. Mauldin for chaperoning and students for decorating for the middle school dance, and Mrs. Sandbulte, Paul, and Mr. Range for inviting the middle school to the matinee and Mayflower project.

Principal Range recognized staff for the IPI data collection and reporting, those who worked with the ACT prep class, the success of the elementary and high school concerts recognizing elementary staff for keeping everything running smoothly behind the scenes.

Superintendent Barber recognized the Booster Club partnership and their hard work and support, the new pads in the gym through the Booster Club, Premier Bank for their donation of \$2500 to support activities, elementary teachers and their work with Olly on math instruction, and the music department with all their concerts.

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

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

A public meeting was held for the instructional support levy resolution which would extend the 5 year support. No discussion was brought forward.

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

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

The board reviewed the Northwest AEA Board Briefs of November 21, 2016. IASB workshop opportunity dates were shared for upcoming state penny sales tax advocacy workshops and day on the hill.

Megan Krull represented the senior class requesting senior class privileges for those eligible from the Class of 2017.

Principal Schilling reported on the "Mustang Stampede" published in the *NW Iowa Review*, new Foster Grandma Nancy Andera, the successful work with Olly and the collaboration between students and staff with plans to analyze student progression. Principal Range reported on the drop-out report, the value of a diploma and particularly a GLR diploma, and the importance of meeting student needs and the understanding of the importance of a high school diploma.

A motion to approve Shari Molitor as paraprofessional in Little Rock at \$9.25 per hour up to 29 hours per week was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

Superintendent Barber shared on the legislative forum he attended and the topics of the SAVE account including the concern of local control of the funds, state supplemental aid, educational savings accounts which could possibly have the per pupil money follow to private schools. Mr. Barber shared about the after-school program and the work Pastor Lint has done to begin the program soon with some modifications at the school. The George Elementary HVAC project was reviewed with the changes proposed in the past spring and bids opening after approval from a special board meeting. Mr. Barber requested meetings with the personnel and facilities committees before the holiday break. At-risk modified allowable growth application will be completed this week with board approval needed at the next meeting. Each board member received the book, *Excellence Through Equity: Five Principles of Courageous Leadership to Guide Achievement for Every Student* which will be referenced and reviewed.

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

A motion to approve the SBRC application for on-time funding for open enrollment out at a new amount of \$83,798 and ELL beyond five years of \$1450.02 was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to table the approval of the second reading of the Early Retirement Policy to compare what other area schools are offering was made by Fiedler, with no support. Discussion was held with concerns of delaying the approval at this point. A motion to approve the second reading of the Early Retirement Policy 407.6 with area comparisons collected in the next few months for reference for possible future offerings was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 4-1.

A motion to approve the senior privileges for second semester 2016-2017 was made by Netten, seconded by Fiedler, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the resolution to support “The Promise of Iowa” movement supporting public education was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve Kyle Grimes from Sibley-Ocheyedan to fill the vacancy as IASB representative for our district was made by Netten, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0 with Fiedler abstaining.

A motion to approve the continued Instructional Support Levy as stated in the published resolution was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, Roll call vote was taken with Netten, Klein, Fiedler, Klingenberg, and Krull all ayes and no nays.

The next regular board meeting was set for Monday, January 16 at 7:00 pm in George.

A special board meeting was set for Wednesday, December 21 at 5:30 pm in George.

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