

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 21 in the Library in Little Rock. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 Valecia West, Greta Ackerman, and Haleigh Kruger. A quorum was established. Citizens were invited to address the board with no discussion brought forward.

Superintendent Barber recognized all involved with the Veteran's Day ceremony, Augustana Band Festival participants, and Erik VanderLaan and Dalton Van Briesen for their All-State Choir honor. Principal Kevin Range recognized the play cast recognizing Mrs. Sandbulte's 25th performance, all who helped with the book fair, Red Ribbon Week and Jordan Kruse for his help in implementing, Tyler Starr for speaking to the elementary and middle school, Cross Country for their 4th place at state and Gable Sieperda and Joe Anderson for their individual placements, Frontier Bank for their meat and cheese tray, and Char Bathke for the parent-teacher conference meals. Principal Schilling recognized the PTA greenery fundraiser success and all who helped, Lois Schilling for her donation of scientific calculators, the success of the school fundraiser, Gitchie Field Trip with County Attorney Shayne Mayer presenting and the help of Greg Harson and Emily Ostrander, staff for driving students to meet the authors and victim, and Mock Trial participants for their success and Tom Weerheim for his assistance.

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

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

The board reviewed the Northwest AEA Board Briefs of October 17, 2016, the GM Motors correspondence regarding the reimbursement check for false MPG window label, a thank you from Official Jean Ellis recognizing the volleyball team for leading the National Anthem, Connie Speake for the donation toward drama department from her high school class tour.

Greta Ackerman presented with assistance from Haleigh Kruger about the entrepreneurial class reopening the Stable and shared the menu, changes, successes, and challenges they encountered, along with reporting their average weekly profit of \$100-120.

Principal Range reported on parent teacher conference attendance at 92% from elementary and 35% from high school, upcoming Genius Week progress, Mayflower project on Wednesday, and Emily Donaker for her World Food Prize representation. Principal Schilling reported 84% attendance for student led parent teacher conferences, social studies and learning about the election, and NGSS progress.

A motion to approve the resignation of Darcy Hansmann as Little Rock paraprofessional was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0. Mrs. Hansmann was thanked for her years of service.

A motion to approve the recommendation for hire of Kendra Reitsma as assistant speech coach for \$500 was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Klein, and carried 5-0.

President Krull and Superintendent Barber shared about the Iowa Association of School Board conference they recently attended. Krull also reported on the delegate assembly he attended with open enrollment as the big discussion. Krull encouraged board members to attend future conferences. Keynote speakers addressed public education as essential for democracy, myths and truths about public education, and the IASB Promise of Iowa. The board was encouraged to join Mr. Barber in attending the upcoming legislative forum on Monday, December 5 at 6:30 in Sioux Center. Mr. Barber reported on the George visionary meeting which identified strengths, values, and issues with a report being made by NW Iowa Planners. Daycare and housing were the biggest issues.

Superintendent Barber's report included Alliant Energy's 13% increase over the next 3 years, HVAC issues at the elementary and possible HVAC project timeline, phone system issues and the need to upgrade, battery backup issues, and the upcoming legislative forum in Sioux Center.

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

A motion to approve a LCRF Grant for 6 teachers for Genius Week for \$4500 was made by Netten, Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the second reading of Policy Series 700 was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A motion to accept and approve the bid for Bus 1 from VanderHaag's for the amount of \$1300 was made by Klein, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the SBRC request for maximum of on-time funding modified supplemental amount for open enrollment out students of \$77,352 was made by Klingenberg, seconded by Netten, and carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the resolution for continued participation in the Instructional Support Levy for an additional five years (which is the same as currently in place) commencing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 was made by Netten, seconded by Klein. A roll call vote was taken with Klein, Fiedler, Klingenberg, Netten, and Krull all ayes and no nays, carried 5-0. A public hearing will be advertised.

A motion to approve the first reading of Early Retirement Policy 407.6 for 2016-17 with paperwork due February 1, 2017 was made by Netten, seconded by Klingenberg, and carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting was set for Monday, December 12 at 5:30 pm in Little Rock with a public hearing for the Instructional Support Levy.

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

CORRECT ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Secretary

Board President