

GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The George-Little Rock Board of Education met in special session on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 in the Superintendent Office in George. Board President Doug Krull called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Doug Krull and Curt Fiedler. Kristi Landis and Wade Netten joined by phone. Wade Netten was called away and unable to join the meeting due to work conflicts. Todd Klein was expected to arrive shortly. Also in attendance were Superintendent John Eyerly and Board Secretary Cathy Bonestroo.

A quorum was established. It was noted that no citizens were present for public comment.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Fiedler, seconded by Landis, and carried 3-0. Todd Klein arrived at 12:04 pm.

Discussion was held on Board Policy 905.01 Community Use of Facilities and Equipment and the liability insurance coverage requirement listed for organizations and businesses. Superintendent Eyerly stressed that he wanted to work with organizations, but also needs to protect the district, board, and taxpayers from liability concerns. Board expressed appreciation to Eyerly for handling the situation properly by following policy and noted it is important to consider policy and the need for good will to the community. Fiedler expressed concern of regular activities and what appears to be lack of control and oversight of children more so than concern for an organized event with a good history.

The Betterment Club has requested rental of facilities but does not have the district policy required liability coverage. They will be looking at increasing their liability policy in the near future with their next renewal. It was noted that if the school board resolves and waives the liability requirement for this event, the event will still be held. Discussion was held that part of the problem is non-school events have contacted other staff and not followed proper procedures with reserving and completing the proper paperwork through the district central office. It was shared there have been times when central office staff have not been notified of events within the facilities which unauthorized staff have inappropriately approved resulting in needed personnel unaware of events for proper facility preparations. It was discussed that all staff need to assist in following policy by sending all rentals or non-school district activities to the district central office to complete the proper paperwork for use of the facilities in order to notify all involved personnel for facility preparations, confirm proper paperwork and liability coverage is on file, and approve the rental by the central office as stated in policy. Awareness of inappropriate personal use of public facilities was also discussed.

A motion to approve waiving the board policy liability requirements for the Betterment Club rental for this one Super Hoops event only with the understanding that they have an upcoming renewal and are increasing their liability coverage to meet requirements in the future was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

A motion to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of Board Policy 905.01 Community Use of Facilities and Equipment updating emergency contact information was made by Fiedler, seconded by Klein, and carried 4-0.

A motion to adjourn at 12:13 pm was made by Fiedler, seconded by Landis, and carried 4-0.