

Grass Lake Community Schools

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Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, August 16, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Grass Lake Middle School

Library/Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Burnett

Florine Herendeen

Loretta Ryan

Tim Waskiewicz

Kimberly Seaburg

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Paterra

David Wright

ADMINISTRATORS

Brad Hamilton

Michelle Clark

Doug Moeckel

Brian Thompson

Jeanene Satterthwaite

GUESTS

Crystal Claus

Ben Dandrow

Margaret Henthorne

Shannon Maynard

Natalia Morris

Fritz Schinck

Sue Schinck

Jennifer Taylor

Rachel Wilson

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Tim Waskiewicz, President

Certified Correct

Loretta Ryan, Secretary

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1. Call to Order

President Waskiewicz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve the agenda with the addition of a new Action Item A, Approve Construction Change Order. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Ryan, to approve the minutes as presented. All present voted Aye.

4. Presentation of Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Burnett, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$725,441.21. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence

Superintendent Hamilton read a letter of thanks from Antoinette LaCinski about the help that Doug Moeckel provided in dealing with the bad weather when the music department was returning from their annual trip to Cedar Pointe.

6. Hearing of Citizens

None

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. Back to School Night

Superintendent Hamilton reminded the board of Back to School Night on August 31st, from 5-7 p.m.

Ms. Satterthwaite invited the board to attend the renaming of the Nature Center at 4 p.m., prior to the Back to School Night. The Center was being renamed the Thom Baird Nature Center.

B. Update on Spain Trip

Natalia Morris updated the board about the trip to be held over Spring Break in 2011. They still needed two more people to go. The cost was \$2100 for students and \$2400 for adults. They did two fund raisers over the summer, a bottle drive and a car wash, and the profits were split among all the students who worked at the fund raisers.

C. Construction Update

Superintendent Hamilton updated the board on the construction project. The project called for additional lockers and they were looking at handicapped accessible lockers because of the two students who were now in wheelchairs.

The multi-purpose room was pre-engineered and was being built off-site and would be moved here already together.

The GLEF was looking for additional officers and members. Mr. Hamilton asked for suggestions.

D. Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

The committee discussed a change order to add a hallway to the new multi-purpose room. This had several benefits, including extra storage and allowing for separate events in that room and the gym, with separate entrances to the two. The current plan called for the new room to be entered through the gymnasium.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approve Construction Change Order

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve the change order as presented under Information items. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

B. Accept Resignation of Jamie Cressman

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Herendeen, to accept the resignation of Jamie Cressman. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

C. Accept Resignation of Brooke Larm

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Ryan, to accept the resignation of Brooke Larm. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

D. Approve Hiring of Rachel Wilson

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve hiring Rachel Wilson as Middle School/High School Band Director. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

E. Approve Hiring of Elizabeth Boldt

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve hiring Elizabeth Boldt as the Middle School Part-Time Art Teacher. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

F. Approve Hiring of Crystal Claus

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Ryan, to approve hiring Crystal Claus as Middle/High School Special Ed. Teacher. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

G. Approve Changes in High School Handbook

Mr. Thompson said he would add the suggestion from Member Seaburg under dual enrollment that students must meet the requirements of the college where they were applying, in addition to the requirements of the high school.

Member Burnett asked questions and pointed out one missing portion of a sentence. One question was about credit for students who were suspended from school. President Waskiewicz asked Mr. Thompson to review that item and come back with a recommendation to the board.

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Herendeen to approve the other changes, pending an update to the board on the questioned items. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

9. Unfinished Business

Member Ryan asked for a follow-up on the Traffic Jam'In event. Mr. Hamilton said the event was good, but turnout was down a little. There was competition from an event in Chelsea the same day.

10. Executive Session

A. Contract Negotiations

Moved by Member Burnett, supported by Member Seaburg to move into Executive Session. Member Seaburg – yes, Member Burnett – yes, Member Ryan – yes, Member Herendeen – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes.

Moved by Member Ryan, supported by Member Burnett, to move out of Executive Session. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Ryan, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.