

Grass Lake Community Schools

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Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, April 16, 2012
7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary
Library/Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Hart
Florine Herendeen
John Patera
Kimberly Seaburg
Tim Waskiewicz
David Wright

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Burnett

ADMINISTRATORS

Brad Hamilton
Michelle Clark
Jeanene Satterthwaite

GUESTS

Margaret Henthorne
Matt Maynard
Shannon Maynard
Jenny Shoemaker
Jennifer Taylor

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Tim Waskiewicz, President

Certified Correct

Mark Burnett, Secretary

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1. Call to Order

President Waskiewicz called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Paterra, to approve the agenda as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Paterra, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 12, 2012 and the Special Meeting of March 26, 2012 as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

4. Presentation of Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$801,911.98. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Hearing of Citizens

None

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. Future Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

Mr. Hamilton told the board that they needed to set a time for a walk through of the buildings and the grounds. He said there were some issues that needed to be reviewed, and

unfortunately, none of them would be cheap. Mr. Hamilton suggested that they do the walkthrough before their committee meeting. Mr. Waskiewicz instructed Mr. Hamilton to pick a Monday and let them know.

B. Budget Progress

Mr. Hamilton referred to the side-by-side comparison of the House and Senate legislative action so far.

C. Strategic Goals Update

Mr. Hamilton updated the board on the Technology Goal. He said that the district has done a very good job of working on wireless access for all three buildings. Also, they were trying different technology in limited classrooms in all three buildings to see how things worked before expanding to the whole district. There are several different technology committees that need to meet and review those “pockets of technology” for an assessment and discussion of expanding.

Matt Maynard responded to a question from Mr. Waskiewicz about iPads. He said there were about 90 in the district. Sarah Sherwood has been using iPods in her classroom and she could provide evidence of how effective they are.

Mr. Waskiewicz wondered who kept track of the technology being use. Mr. Hamilton responded that it was the building principals and a committee chaired by Mrs. Satterthwaite.

D. Kindergarten Round-Up Update

Mrs. Clark reported that the kindergarten enrollment for the next school year was currently 94. If the date to turn 5 is moved up to November 1, we could lose up to nine students. She and Christie Orban are looking at options for those students with the preschool program.

E. Administrative Reports

Mrs. Satterthwaite informed the board that the 8th graders will be going to a Cubs game instead of Medieval Time during the upcoming 8th grade trip.

The bus cameras were recently installed. The students noticed them right away and some problem behavior has already been noticed.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approve District Policy for Teacher Discipline

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Herenden to approve the District Policy for Teacher Discipline. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

B. Approve District Policy for Reduction and Recall of Teachers

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Wright, to approve the District Policy for Reduction and Recall of Teachers. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

C. Approve District Policy for Teacher Placement

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Wright, to approve the District Policy for Teacher Placement. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

D. Approve the 2012 Roofing Project Bids

Mr. Hamilton reported that the bids came in low enough that the recommendation is to do all five of the projects at the middle school, rather than one or two.

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Paterra, to accept the bid from Shain Roofing, in the amount of \$107,030.00. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

E. Approve the District Technology Plan

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Paterra, to approve the District Technology Plan as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. Unfinished Business

Mr. Waskiewicz reported that it was a busy and successful Warrior Invitational the previous Saturday. He also reminded the board of the Scrap Metal Drive coming up on May 19, with proceeds going to the Grass Lake Educational Foundation, Warrior Club and Project Safe Graduation.

9. Executive Session

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Hart, to move into Executive Session. The members voted by roll call vote: Member Hart – yes, Member Seaburg – yes, Member Paterra – yes, Member Wright – yes, Member Herendeen – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes. Motion Carried.

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

10. Adjournment

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Hart, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.