

Grass Lake Community Schools

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Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, June 11, 2012
7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary
Library/Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Burnett
Darrell Hart
Florine Herendeen
John Paterra
Kimberly Seaburg
Tim Waskiewicz
David Wright

ADMINISTRATORS

Brad Hamilton
Michelle Clark
Doug Moeckel
Andi Overmyer
Jeanene Satterthwaite

GUESTS

Angela Berent
Terri Burg
Clayton Canning
Jennifer Canning
John Gehrig

Margaret Henthorne
Leslie Krantz
Shannon Maynard
Kathy Mietelka
Penny Murray

Carlene Pindzia
Jennifer Sullivan
Geri Williams

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 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Wright, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2012 as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

4. Presentation of Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Burnett, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$658,610.73. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence

Mr. Hamilton distributed a memo to the board from JCISD Superintendent, Kevin Oxley.

6. Hearing of Citizens

Leslie Krantz, from the Jackson County Department on Aging, asked people to vote on August 7 for Renewal of the Senior Millage. She described some of the services they provide to seniors in the county.

Mr. Hamilton added that the Senior Millage and the Special Ed. Millage would both be on the August 7 ballot. They were both important millages for populations who couldn't always speak for themselves.

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. RTI Survey Results and Presentation

Part 1: Student Growth

Mrs. Overmyer had a Power Point presentation with charts comparing the beginning of the school year with the end of the year, which showed improvement in reading in grades K-5. Then she moved on to the middle school, where they only worked with a targeted group of students.

Jen Senkmajer reviewed the work in math at the middle school where, again, they worked with targeted students, not all students.

Mrs. Overmyer reviewed highlights of the 2011-2012 year: fidelity, data collection, common use of resources, more resources available, professional development collegial conversations, leadership, and excitement about teaching “smarter.”

Then Mrs. Overmyer reviewed the K-8 literacy staff survey results. From the results of the survey they came up with two goals for next year: 1) Develop a clearer understanding of the Tiered Levels of Intervention; and 2) Create specific intervention strategies to use with struggling students. They are going to form a collaborative K-8 RTI team and the team members will: develop strategies to achieve the two goals, acknowledge teacher input for purposeful discussion regarding modifications to the current program, and meet monthly, starting before the beginning of school and throughout the school year.

RTI Math Goals:

1. Select and utilize an appropriate assessment for leveling students and monitoring progress
2. Develop a clear set of goals for both Tier 1 and Tier 2
3. Clarify Tiered Levels of Intervention
4. Revisit and identify specific, research-based intervention strategies to use with struggling students.

Presentation by teachers:

Penny Murray introduced a student (Clayton Canning) and his mother, who moved up 9 levels in reading with the RTI program. She spoke about how well the program worked this year.

Terri Burg spoke next about the RTI program in the 7th grade ELA classes at the middle school. Angela Berent spoke about RTI in the 8th grade and the trip to New Hampshire. Kathy Mietelka spoke to the board about the Math RTI program at the middle school. Jennifer Sullivan said she would just summarize what the others had spoken about.

Geri Williams talked about her background and how things are going at Grass Lake. John Gehrig added a few comments as well.

B. Final 2011-2012 Budget Revision Process

Mr. Hamilton reminded the board that the next board meeting, which was the last meeting of the fiscal year, was scheduled for Friday, June 29, at 6 p.m.

C. Administrative, Supervisor and Central Office Contracts

Mr. Hamilton called attention to the contracts in the packets. They will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approve MHSAA Membership for 2012-2013

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Wright, to approve MHSAA Membership for 2012-2013. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

B. Approval of 2012-2013 Tax Rates and Budget from Budget Hearing

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Burnett, to approve the 2012-2013 tax rates and budget from the budget hearing. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

C. Approve Recommended Lunch Prices for 2012-2013

Mrs. Pindzia explained that the \$.10 increase for lunch is required by law. She is recommending a \$.15 increase for the lunch prices, to keep the lunch fund operating in the black. A \$.10 increase in milk price is also required. She is also recommending a \$.10 increase in breakfast prices.

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve increasing lunch prices by \$.15, breakfast prices by \$.15, adult lunch prices by \$.15 and milk prices to \$.50. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

D. Approve Resolution in Support of Jackson County Special Education Election

Moved by Seaburg, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve the Resolution in Support of the Jackson County Special Education Election. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

E. Approve Hiring Laura Zegarlowicz as Varsity Volleyball Coach for 2012-2013

Moved by Member Burnett, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve hiring Laura Zegarlowicz as Varsity Volleyball Coach for 2012-2013. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

F. Approve Hiring Mercedes Stoker as JV Volleyball Coach for 2012-2013

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Paterra, to approve hiring Mercedes Stoker at JV Volleyball Coach for 2012-2013. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. Executive Session for Superintendent Evaluation

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Seaburg, 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 Burnett - yes, Member Herendeen – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes. Motion Carried.

Moved by Member Herendeen, 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 Paterra , to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.