

Grass Lake Community Schools

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Grass Lake Community Schools Special Board of Education Meeting

Monday, August 26, 2013

7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary

Library/Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Hart

Kimberly Seaburg

David Wright

Mark Burnett

John Paterra

Kristi Shoemaker

Tim Waskiewicz

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATORS

Brad Hamilton

Michelle Clark

Jeanene Satterthwaite

Doug Moeckel

Brian Thompson

GUESTS

Debbie Brady

Shannon Maynard

Jena Tengman

Katie Tengman

Suzy Bednarski

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Tim Waskiewicz, President

Certified Correct

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

3. Correspondence

None

4. Hearing of Citizens

Suzy Bednarski addressed the board regarding her concerns over the policy on dual sports. Her daughter currently participates in two Fall Season sports. Mrs. Bednarski feels that one coach is unfairly penalizing her daughter when she is late to a practice due to attending a scheduled event/game for the other sport. She has had discussions with both coaches and the Athletic Director, but feels dissatisfied with the results. Mrs. Bednarski stated she feels the district should encourage and support the students who choose to participate in dual sports. Her daughter enjoys both sports and is hoping to build opportunities for scholarships. Mr. Burnett said that he would like to review the Athletic Dual Sport Policy before commenting on the matter. All members agreed that they would need to look into the situation further before commenting but assured her they would follow up on the situation.

5. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. Administrative Reports – Including Strategic Goals

Mr. Burnett commented on the enrollment numbers for Kindergarten and asked if there was also an increase in numbers in other grades. Mrs. Clark replied that the numbers were comparable to past years.

B. Preliminary Enrollment Projections

Mr. Hamilton again directed the members' attention to the current numbers included in the administrative reports. When questioned about the high school numbers, Mr. Thompson stated that he had estimated low as students at the high school level usually transfer at the start of each school year

C. Staffing

There was no new information to be given regarding staffing issues and no questions from the members.

6. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approval of Handbook Changes

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Shoemaker, to approve all handbooks for the Elementary, Middle and High Schools. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

B. Approve the Resignation for Alison Desmarais

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Seaburg, to approve the resignation of Alison Desmarais. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. Round Table Discussion – Start of school year

Mr. Hamilton gave an update on meetings that teachers have and will be attending. One session was handled by Penny Kittle. There was also five days of *Leader in Me* training for the elementary staff.

Mr. Hamilton informed the board that all the summer projects are very close to being finished. He is currently going through the punch list with Suzy Sczykutowicz. There are minor items still to be dealt with, but as a whole the projects are complete. The middle school roof project was finished a month ago. He added that an excellent job had been done on the track project. .

Member Burnett inquired about the benches installed outside the high school. Mr. Thompson said that they are in place. He added that they had been purchased by several of the graduated classes and the student council. All agreed that the benches were very nice.

9. Executive Session

A. Review Support Staff Contract for Ratification

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Paterra, to move into Executive Session. Member Burnett – yes, Member Hart – yes, Member Shoemaker – yes, Member Wright – yes, Member Paterra – yes, Member Seaburg – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes. Motion Carried.

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Hart, to move out of executive session. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

10. Approval of the Support Staff Contract

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Hart, to approve to ratify the Support Staff Contract. Member Burnett – yes, Member Hart – yes, Member Shoemaker – yes, Member Wright – yes, Member Paterra – yes, Member Seaburg – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes. Motion Carried.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Seaburg, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.