

Grass Lake Community Schools

899 South Union Street • Grass Lake, Michigan 49240

(517) 522-5540 • Fax (517) 522-8195

Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, August 8, 2011

7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary

Library/Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Burnett

Florine Herendeen

John Paterra

Kimberly Seaburg

Tim Waskiewicz

David Wright

MEMBERS ABSENT

Darrell Hart

ADMINISTRATORS

Brad Hamilton

Jeanene Satterthwaite

GUESTS

Margaret Henthorne

Shannon Maynard

Jennifer Taylor

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Tim Waskiewicz, President

Certified Correct

Mark Burnett, Secretary

Grass Lake Community Schools

899 South Union Street • Grass Lake, Michigan 49240

(517) 522-5540 • Fax (517) 522-8195

Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, August 8, 2011

7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary

Library/Media Center

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 Burnett, supported by Member Wright, to approve the agenda with the addition of VIII. E. Approve Leave of Absence for Bus Drive Elizabeth Tracey. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve the minutes with the correction of Member Kimberly Seaburg present instead of Loretta Ryan. All present voted Aye.

4. Presentation of Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Wright, supported by Member Burnett, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$677,479.93. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Hearing of Citizens

None

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. Back to School Night

Superintendent Hamilton reminded the board of the Staff Breakfast on Tuesday, August 30, at 7:30 a.m. , and Back to School Night, also on August 30, from 5-7 p.m.

B. Policy Committee Meeting

Mr. Hamilton reminded the board about the Policy Committee meeting the next night, in the Superintendent's Office Conference Room.

C. Elementary Roof Update

Mr. Hamilton reported that the roof repair work was almost done at the east end of the elementary. The company was waiting for some sheet metal to finish the project. Mr. Hamilton replied to a question from Mr. Burnett that he was comfortable with the pace of the project.

Mr. Hamilton also reported that engineers had come out and looked at elementary parking lot, right after it rained and the parking lot was under water. Todd Dailey was contacting Lester Brothers and Mr. Hamilton hadn't heard back yet on a solution. Mr. Hamilton added that the water does drain, just too slowly.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approve Resolution for District Becoming Insurance Policy Holder

Mr. Hamilton informed the board that this was part of the process to get the incentive money.

Moved by Member Burnett, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve Grass Lake Community Schools becoming the policyholder of the MESSA group welfare benefit programs that it provides to its employees. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

B. Approve Hiring of Jeremy Davies – Varsity Girls Basketball Coach

Moved by Member Pattera, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve hiring Jeremy Davies as the Varsity Girls Basketball Coach. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

C. Eighth Grade Spanish – Adding One More Hour

Mrs. Satterthwaite informed the board that they would like to increase the middle school Spanish position from 3/6 to 4/6. She explained that all 8th graders were being required to take Spanish for high school credit, and they really needed four sections because of the number of 8th graders.

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Burnett, to approve increasing the middle school Spanish position from 3/6 to 4/6. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

D. Approve Leave of Absence for Elementary Music Teacher Deborah Clark

Moved by Member Paterra, supported by Member Burnett, to approve a one-year leave of absence for Deborah Clark. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

E. Approve Leave of Absence for Bus Driver Elizabeth Tracey

Moved by Member Burnett, supported by Member Herendeen, to approve a one-year leave of absence for Elizabeth Tracey. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. Unfinished Business

Member Waskiewicz asked if all the computer network problems had been fixed. Matt Maynard said that he and the two technicians from the Jackson ISD had made tremendous progress. There were still some glitches, but he was feeling better about the situation.

9. Executive Session

A. Contract Negotiations

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

7:20 p.m.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Member Herendeen, supported by Member Seaburg, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.