

# Grass Lake Community Schools

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## Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday September 8, 2014

7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary

Library/Media Center

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tim Waskiewicz

Kristi Shoemaker

Janey Bisard

Darrell Hart

Kimberly Seaburg

Mark Burnett

Rich Holcomb

### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

### **ADMINISTRATORS**

Brad Hamilton

Brian Thompson

Michelle Clark

Doug Moeckel

### **GUESTS**

Debbie Brady

Brad Coffey

Shawn Brown

Heather Brown

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Tim Waskiewicz, President

Certified Correct

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

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Bisard, supported by Member Holcomb, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 11, 2014, and the Special Meeting of August 25, 2014 as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

4. Presentation of Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Burnett, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$627,188.20. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence

A. Jackson County Association of School Boards Organizational Dinner/Meeting

A reminder was given that the meeting will be held on September 30th. Member Waskiewicz explained to the new members what is accomplished at this meeting.

6. Hearing of Citizens

None

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. Start of the School Year Update

Mr. Hamilton informed the members of the latest enrollment numbers. It is hoped that numbers will level out and a more precise view given by pupil count day on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

B. Strategic Planning

Mr. Hamilton stated that at the second board meeting of each month administrators give updates on the specific strategic plans that are being covered in each of their buildings and it is time to update the Strategic Plan for the district. He explained this process is usually done in the fall. However, he reminded everyone that this year the Chamber of Commerce and Joint Partnership Committee are currently working on a community plan. He voiced his concern that beginning work on district strategic planning would conflict with the Partnership's process. He suggested that the district wait until spring so that decisions made in the joint partnership can be incorporated in the district plan. The members agreed.

C. Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

A reminder was given about the Building and Grounds Committee Meeting on September 15th at 7:00 p.m.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Approve Postponement of Refunding Bonds

Mr. Hamilton reminded the members of the discussion at the August 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to follow the suggestion from PFM to postpone the refunding bonds. Since an official motion was made to pursue refunding the bonds, he asks that an official motion be made for postponing this until it is more beneficial for the district's tax payers.

Moved by Member Hart, supported by Member Holcomb, to approve Postponement of Refunding Bonds. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

9. Unfinished Business

Additional comments were made by the board.

10. Executive Session

A. Support and Teacher Contract Negotiations

Moved by Member Seaburg, supported by Member Holcomb, to move into Executive Session. The members voted by roll call: Member Burnett – yes, Member Hart – yes, Member Bisard – yes, Member Holcomb – yes, Member Shoemaker – yes, Member Seaburg – yes, Member Waskiewicz – yes. Motion Carried.

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

11. Adjournment

Moved by Member Shoemaker, supported by Member Bisard, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.