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Grass Lake Community Schools
Special Board of Education Meeting

Monday, November 22, 2021
7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary
Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Janey Bisard
Kyle McClure
Eric Burk
Amy Humbarger
Shari Hein
Jonathan Claussen
Chris Maynard

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATORS

Ryle Kiser
Brian Thompson
Jeanene Byerly
Doug Moeckel

APPROXIMATE GUESTS – 50

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Amy Humbarger, President

Certified Correct,
Jonathan Claussen – Secretary

Submitted by Debbie Brady/April Salts

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1. Call to Order

President Humbarger called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Member Humbarger, supported by Member McClure, to approve the agenda with moving item 8A round table discussion to item 6A following the hearing of citizens. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Burk, supported by Member Bisard, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 11, 2021. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

4. Correspondence – None

5. Hearing of Citizens – None

6. Round Table Discussion-

A. Student Council/Board Members

The students were divided into three groups to discuss the following questions:

Question 1: Since our ever-changing last couple of years, how has the environment changed at Grass Lake, and what ideas do you have to make a positive influence on this environment.

Question 2: As a small school district, we are always looking to blend the three buildings; how could we incorporate a cross-the-curriculum idea that combined all three buildings to include transferable problem-solving skills, give real-world meaning to school assignments, and increase engagement and rigor.

Question 3: Curriculum and college readiness is thought for improvement at Grass Lake; what part of the curriculum (classes) do you currently enjoy and how could we incorporate new courses, and do you feel you have gained the understanding of the soft skills needed to succeed in a college environment?

Following the mini group discussions, the school board members, student council members and administrators shared points from each groups' discussion.

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

- A. OSHA Update – Dr. Kiser stated until more information received this will be on hold until possibly January 2022.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. ESSERS III Approval

Dr. Kiser gave an overview of the plan for spending the ESSERS III funds based on the meaningful consultation from information obtained through the survey to parents and community.

Moved by Member Bisard, supported by Member Hein, to approve the ESSERS III plan as presented. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

B. Hiring of John Martin - Custodian

Moved by Member Maynard, supported by Member Bisard, to approve the hiring of John Martin as custodian beginning December 1, 2021. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

C. Hiring of Carolyn Johnson – Cafeteria Aide

Moved by Member Hein, supported by Member McClure, to approve the hiring of Carolyn Johnson as a cafeteria aide. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

D. Hiring of Kristen Hawver – Cafeteria Aide

Moved by Member McClure, supported by Member Claussen, to approve the hiring of Kristen Hawver as a cafeteria aide. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

9. Unfinished Business – None

10. Closed Session - Negotiations

Pursuant to MCL 15.268 (c) it was moved by Member Amy Humbarger, supported by Member Shari Hein, to move into closed session to discuss negotiations at 9:12 p.m. A roll call was taken: Amy Humbarger yes, Kyle McClure yes, Eric Burk yes, Shari Hein yes, Jonathan Claussen yes, Chris Maynard yes, and Janey Bisard yes. Motion carried.

Return to open session at 9:30 pm

11. Adjournment – Business complete, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 pm.