

**School District of Green Lake
Minutes of the Board of Education
Regular Meeting**

January 20, 2021

The meeting of the Board of Education was held Wednesday, January 20 via zoom. The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by President, Sarah Allen.

Notice of this meeting was given to the Ripon Commonwealth Press and the Green Lake Reporter. In addition, notices of the meeting were posted in the display case of the school, at the Green Lake Post Office, Horicon Bank, and on the school district website. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the stay at home and social distancing order from Governor Evers, board members, media, and community members joined the meeting via Zoom.

Roll Call:

President, Sarah Allen – present; Andy Gryske – present; Meade Grim – present; Matt Bond – present; Sue Sorenson – present; Loni Meiborg – present; Michelle Grimes – present.

Others present – Superintendent, Mary Allen; Elementary Principal; Gina Baxter; Secondary Principal, Cathy Moore; School Board Secretary Donna Waterworth; Operations Manager, Tom Archambo via Zoom and members of the media, and community via Zoom.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A motion was made by Sue Sorenson, seconded by Meade Grim to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

Consider Closed Session

A motion was made by Sarah Allen, seconded by Andy Gryske to approve adjourning to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. section 19.85(1) (c) and 19.85(1)(e) for consideration, including action if appropriate, regarding employment, performance evaluation data, and compensation regarding specific individual public employee(s), specifically discussion and consideration related to staffing and compensation for Elementary and Secondary Principals. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

The board reconvened to open session at approximately 5:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Meade Grim, seconded by Matt Bond to offer Elementary Principal, Gina Baxter with a contract with CPI increase. Roll call vote as follows: Matt Bond – yes; Meade Grim – Yes; Matt Bond – Yes; Michelle Grimes – Yes; Sue Sorenson – Yes; Sarah Allen - Yes; Andy Gryske – Yes. Motion passed, roll call vote of 7 – in favor; 0 – opposed; absent – 0. A motion was made by Meade Grim, seconded by Matt Bond to offer a contract with CPI increase to Secondary Principal, Catherine Moore. Roll call vote as follows: Matt Bond – yes; Meade Grim – Yes; Matt Bond – Yes; Michelle Grimes – Yes; Sue Sorenson – Yes; Sarah Allen - Yes; Andy Gryske – Yes. Motion passed, roll call vote of 7 – in favor; 0 – opposed; absent – 0.

Community Connection

President Sarah Allen led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION: Due to the many anonymous people that donated during the holiday season we were able to provide food and gifts for our families in need. It is also our school district's 10th anniversary as an International Baccalaureate School and a celebration is being planned

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA- NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Vice President, Andy Gryske read into record a letter on grading from a parent and community member.

Information (I), Discussion (D), Action (A) Agenda Items:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (I, D): President, Sarah Allen, gave an update on the Superintendent search.

CESA 6 REPORT (I, D): Sue Sorenson reviewed the CESA 6 report.

CONSIDER PLAN FOR CHOIR TRIP FUNDS (I, D): Virginia Pollock presented the board with an update on the choir cruise that was planned for last spring and cancelled due to COVID. Most of the fund paid have been refunded either by a check or travel vouchers. Still having issues getting a refund from Southwest Airlines. Mrs. Pollock is looking for guidance in in rescheduling the trip and what are her options. Discussion included tabling to February until a detailed report is received, and the board has time to the board has time to consider reimbursement to individuals and investigate airline COVID relief.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (I, D): Mary Allen, Superintendent, gave an update on the upcoming spring election. There are 2 seats up for election and at this time only one candidate has filed papers. Write-In candidates still have time to file papers in the school office. Enrollment numbers increased on the second Friday in January count. There are virtual students returning at semester as well as new students starting.

The district goals for the 2019-2020 school year have been closed out as best as possible. Goals for 2020-21 2nd semester will reflect what has happened since COVID.

SECONDARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (I, D): Cathy Moore, Secondary Principal reported on 1st semester exams, winter sports and the "Take a Break" activities for this Friday's early release day. These activities have been planned and organized by Student Council. The school safety committee is working on revising the school safety plan and working on school safety week that will include practice drills for students and staff.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (I, D): Gina Baxter, Elementary Principal reported on the number of COVID cases and quarantines currently affecting the school. School staff that want the COVID vaccine were able to sign up, however we have not been notified by the county when those vaccinations will happen. Staff working directly with sick or compromised students will be able to be vaccinated at the same time as medical personnel, law enforcement and others that fall in that tier of people. A short report on the current assessment schedule was also presented to the board.

CONSIDER SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2021-22 (I, D, A): A motion was made by Matt Bond, seconded by Sarah Allen to approve the school calendar for 2021-2022 as presented. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER OPEN ENROLLMENT SEATS FOR 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR (I, D, A): Mary Allen, Superintendent reviewed the enrollment numbers for the 2021-2022 in relation to staff. Regular education seats should be capped at 45 students per grade level. This would allow for no more than 2 sections at each grade level. Cap special education EC-6th grade cross-categorical program at 16 students. Cap special education 7-12th grade cross-categorical program at 28 students. Cap special education speech/language program for age 3- grade 12 at 30 students. Current open enrolled Special Education students will have a seat in the program. Open enrolled students that are identified for Special Education after their open enrollment application has been approved and during the 2021-22 school year will have a seat in the program. Motion was made by Matt Bond, seconded by Loni Meiborg to approve the open enrollment seats and guidelines for 2021-2022 school year as present. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER SCHOOL RECESS DAY FOR GRADES 9, 10, AND 12 (I, D, A): Gina Baxter, Elementary Principal presented to the board a proposal for a recess day for students in grades 9, 10 and 12. The ACT test for 11th grade will be virtual this year and due to the size of the 11th grade class and the testing restrictions more classrooms will be needed to administer the test. The ACT test date is March 9. A motion was made by Loni Meiborg, seconded by Meade Grim to approve the school recess day for grades 9, 10 and 12 on March 9 to accommodate ACT testing for 11th grade. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER EXTENSION OF FFCRA (I, D, A): Mary Allen, Superintendent explained what FFCRA is. The FFCRA is 10 paid sick days for COVID-19 related reason i.e., exposure, quarantine etc. The extension goes through March 31, 2021 but will mostly likely be extended by federal legislation. This is not an additional 10 days added to the original 10 days. If you have used your 10 days your 10 days are done. A motion was made by Meade Grim, seconded by Loni Meiborg to approve the extension of FFCRA through March 31, 2021. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF OSHKOSH FOUNDATION GRANT AND CONDON OIL DONATION (I, D, A): A motion was made by Meade Grim, seconded by Andy Gryske to accept the grant from the Oshkosh Foundation (Green Lake Essential Needs Fund) in the amount of \$3,500.00 and the donation from Condon Oil in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER REMOVAL OF THE CLAY STREET HOUSE (I, D, A): The Buildings & Grounds Committee has recommended that the house and building on the Clay Street property be demolished and turn the property into a green space. Bids will be accepted for the project. A motion was made by Loni Meiborg, seconded by Michelle Grimes to approve the demolition of the Clay Street house, and building and turn into a green space. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

CONSIDER COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS (I, D, A): Michelle Grimes would like to be removed from the Finance Committee and added to the Marketing Committee. Matt Bond would like to replace Michelle Grimes on the Finance Committee. Loni Meiborg would like to be removed from the Marketing Committee. A motion was made by Sarah Allen, seconded by Andy Gryske make and approve committee assignments as follows: remove Loni Meiborg from the Marketing Committee; remove Michelle Grimes from the Finance Committee and have Michelle Grimes on the Marketing Committee; add Matt Bond to the Finance Committee. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT (I, D, A): A motion was made by Michelle Grimes, seconded by Sue Sorenson to approve the 1st reading of policies 1213 – Student Supervision and Welfare (Revised); 3213 – Student Supervision and Welfare (Revised); 4213 – Student Supervision and Welfare (Revised); 5500 – Student Code of Conduct (Revised); 5600 – Student Discipline (Deleted); 7440 – Facility Security (Revised); 8407 – School Resource Officer (Revised); 8410 – Crisis Intervention (Revised); 8420 – School Safety and Emergency Preparedness (Revised); 8462 – Child Abuse and Neglect (Revised); 8462.01 – Threats of Violence (New) and to table 7440.01 – Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring (Revised) can be reviewed further. Motion carried by voice vote of 7 – 0; absent – 0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (I, D, A): At the last Finance Committee Meeting Operations Manager, Tom Archanbo shared with the committee a very detailed and informative report on tax bills and how mil rates and levies affect tax bills.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT (I, D, A): Reviewed under previous agenda items.

MARKETING COMMITTEE (I, D, A): Next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2021

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Satisfaction survey and grading scale.

A motion was made by Sarah Allen, seconded by Loni Meiborg to adjourn. Motion carried by a voice vote of 7 – in favor; 0 – opposed; 0 – absent. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m...

The next meeting will be held on February 17, 2021 via Zoom, if the stay at home and social distancing order are still in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Notice of any special meetings will be posted in the display case of the school at 612 Mill Street, the Horicon Bank, and the Green Lake Post Office.

Board Secretary, Donna Waterworth

Sarah Allen, School Board President

H. Meade Grim, Board Clerk

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Approved February 17, 2021