

MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION; **AUGUST 23, 2022**



GREENWALD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ♦ 3200 MARYVILLE ROAD ♦ GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS 62040

MEMBERS PRESENT: TALLIN CURRAN, LINDA KNOGL, ZACK NUNN, ERIC STACY, ERICA VENNE, AND DENNIS WILMSMEYER.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: STEPHANIE CANN, ED.S., SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, STEPHANIE BOYER, BRAD ERVAY, CORY ERVAY, CHRIS MITCHELL, LIZ NIEPERT, CHUCK NOUD, KRISTEN NOVACICH-KOBERNA, NIKKI PETRILLO, AND ERIC SMITH.

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER:

CATELYNN LININGER.

OTHERS PRESENT: CHRIS COLLINS, DON LIENEMANN, AIMEE SIDES, JOHN BILLIGMEIER, AND PASTOR STACEY WILSON.

This was an open and virtual meeting that took place using the Zoom application. There were a total of ten (10) Employees, one (1) Student Advisory Board Member, five (5) Guests, and six (6) Board Members, physically present;

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION;

1. **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM;** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President, Dennis Wilmsmeyer. Roll was called. All members were present and a quorum was declared. President Wilmsmeyer asked those present to stand for the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. He stated that citizens or parents with children in attendance, who did not wish to participate in the Invocation, could wait outside the Board Conference Room until after the Board moved to Item IV, Public Comment. Pastor Stacey Wilson with GCFirst Assembly of God, Offered the Invocation.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT;**
 - A. Grandmother of a Wilson and Grigsby student, addressed the Board regarding ongoing busing issues.
3. **MINUTES;** Motion by Member Knogl, seconded by Member Stacy, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on July 26, 2022.

Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.
4. **MINUTES;** Motion by Member Knogl, seconded by Member Venne, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on August 9, 2022.

Members voting - Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as follows:

✦ **Treasurer's Report;**

1. Treasurer's Report from June 2022; (1-2)
2. Treasurer's Report from July 2022; (3-4)
{available upon request}

✦ **Bill List;**

1. Bill List from July 22, 2022 - August 18, 2022; (5)
{available upon request}

✦ **Student Trip; (5)**

1. **Music in the Parks Band Festival;** Coolidge Junior High School Band will be attending the Music in the Parks Festival in Branson, Missouri from May 5-6, 2023.

- Accepted the following gifts with thanks and appreciation:

✦ **Gifts; (5)**

1. **SPORTS CLIPS;** Free haircut coupons for first time clients and 20% off if you are already an established client.
2. **MIDWEST MEMBERS CREDIT UNION;** Complete school supply totes, bags of paint/chalk and baskets of treats for staff.
3. **US STEEL USW; UNITED STEELWORKERS;** Donation of school supplies including cases of combination locks, cases of Skullcandy earbuds with microphone and cases of Kleenex.
4. **MARGE PENNELL AND PEO INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS;** This is a group of women celebrating the advancement of women through scholarships, grants, awards, loans, and stewardship. They donated school supplies for the district.
5. **DEBI AND ED KOSTECKI;** Monetary Donation to Mitchell 3-4 Center in Dr. Victor Buehler's name. {Father; Principal Lisa Yarbrough}

Members voting - Knoggl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

6. **RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS;** (6) Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Stacy, upon the recommendation of administration, to accept the following retirements and resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Pam Cook	Counselor at GCHS	Retirement	End of 2022-2023 School Year

Members voting - Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knoggl, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

7. **REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE;** (6) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Nunn, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following requests for leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Taylor Buchanan	Paraprofessional/Wilson	Deduct	08/15/2022-01/02/2023
Laura Cell	Paraprofessional/GCHS	Deduct	08/24/2022-11/18/2022
Megan Allen	Secretary/Coolidge	Medical	08/24/2022-11/16/2022

Members voting - Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knoggl, "aye", Curran, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

8. **EXTRACURRICULAR ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR;** (7) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular assignments for the 2022-2023 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Brian Ames	Assistant Girls Tennis Coach	GCHS
Karen Kocarnik	Student Council/Character Ed	Frohardt

Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knoggl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

9. **EXTRACURRICULAR VOLUNTEERS FOR ELEMENTARY FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR;** (7) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular volunteers for Elementary for the 2022-2023 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Lindsay Doolittle	Softball Coach	Coolidge
Vince Willaredt	Baseball Coach	Coolidge
Rachel Clark	Swim Coach	GCHS

Members voting - Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

10. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES;** (8) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Knogl, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following certified and classified substitutes for the 2022-2023 school year:

CERTIFIED:

Brian Ames	Bryan Bergh	Tonya Binion	Rebecca Kreigel
Lynette Lambert	Ruth Lathrop	Emma VanBuskirk	

CLASSIFIED:

William Bright	Edith Gonzalez de Rios	Sheila Mcelroy	Deborah Miller
Riley Mitchell	Ashley Richardson	Christina Rigsby	Ashley Romine
Terry Russell	Kyrsten Stockman	Sara Valle	

Members voting - Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

11. **RESCIND GCHS SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR;** (9) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of administration, to rescind the recommendation of **Scott Pape** for the 2022-2023 Granite City High School Special Education Teacher position due to him declining the offer.

Members voting - Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

12. **EMPLOYMENT OF PARAPROFESSIONALS {3} FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR;** (10) Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Knogl, upon the recommendation of administration, to employ the following Paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 school year:

- 🗳️ **Stacey Bell**
- 🗳️ **Amy Finazzo**
- 🗳️ **Heather Thomas**

Members voting - Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

13. **GCSD9 HEARING OFFICER FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR;** (11) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Knogl, upon the recommendation of administration, to employ the following Paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 school year:

- 🗳️ **Cindy Gagich**
- 🗳️ **Dottie Falter**

Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

14. **PROPOSED REGION I/SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET; (12)**

- Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Venne, having notified the public through a legal advertisement in the July 15, 2022 edition of the Belleville News Democrat, and having made the preliminary budget available to the public for at least 30 days, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to open the Public Hearing on the Special Education/Region I Budget for the 2022-2023 school year.

Members voting - Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

- Motion by Member Knogl, seconded by Member Curran, to adjourn the Public Hearing on the Special Education/Region I Budget and Reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education for the 2022-2023 school year.

Members voting - Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

- Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy, to Adopt the Special Education/Region I Budget for the 2022-2023 school year and secure all signatures.

Members voting - Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

15. **ADMINISTRATOR AND TEACHER COMPENSATION REPORT; (13-22)** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the request to post the 2021-2022 Teacher and Administrator Salary Report on the website to meet the requirement of Sections 10-20.47 and 34-18.38 of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/10-20.47 and 5/34-18.38].

Members voting - Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

16. **GRANITE CITY SABRE COMMITTEE SCHOOL DANCES; (23)** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of administration, to authorize the renewal of the **SABRE** Dance Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year, for the following dates at Grigsby Intermediate School:

October 21, 2022
November 18, 2022
December 16, 2022
January 20, 2023
February 17, 2023
March 24, 2023
April 21, 2023

Insurance will be provided before the first dance and distribution of flyers for each event was approved as well.

Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

17. **SCHOOL INSIGHT EDUCATION GROUP;** (23) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of administration, to table the Insight Education Group Strategic Planning Agreement for the 2022-2023 school year, until the next meeting on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Members voting - Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

18. **RESIGNATION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT;** (24) Approved the posting to fill the Board Member Vacancy from the resignation of Dr. Bill McMasters. All letters of interest must be turned into BOE President Dennis Wilmsmeyer by 4:00 pm on Saturday, September 10, 2022.

19. **RECYCLE DISTRICT COMPUTER EQUIPMENT; PC'S FOR PEOPLE;** (24) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy, upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the request to recycle District Computer Equipment that can no longer be used internally with PC's for People.

Members voting - Knogl, "aye", Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

20. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS;** Reviewed the following Reports.

✓ **Freedom of Information Act Requests {FOIA}** (25-26)

We received four requests under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of July 16, 2022 through August 16, 2022.

1. The first request was received on July 21, 2022 from Elizabeth A Happold - eahappold@co.madison.il.us - she requested the following information:

- All documents (PDF format) regarding “backdoor referendums” passed in your school district from 2008 to present.
 - Copies of public notices relating to these backdoor referendums, along with a copy of school board minutes of the meeting in which such referendum was passed.
 - Documentation of the issuance of bonds issued per these referendums.
2. The second request was received on August 4, 2022 from Kurt Prenzler - kprenzler@co.madison.il.us - he requested the following information: All bond issues by Granite City School District No. 9 from 2008 to present:
- Copies of school board minutes of meetings authorizing the issuance of all bonds, including, but not limited to backdoor referendums, front door referendums, and re-financings.
 - Copies of all newspaper notices relating to said bond issues.
3. The third request was received on August 5, 2022 from Doris Acevedo - Doris.Acevedo@Illinois.gov - she requested the following information: information concerning compliance with the wage, notice and recordkeeping requirements of the Act by Wilke Truck Service (herein referred to as “Contractor). Accordingly, the Department is requesting all records currently in your possession for the project indicated the following:
- Copy of the call for bids for the contract specifying the prevailing wage requirements;
 - Copy of the bid specifications calling for prevailing wage payments and the Contractor’s bid;
 - Copy of any and all of written notices to the contractor(s)/sub-contractor(s) specifying the prevailing wage requirements or if they are contained in other documents please identify where;
 - Copy of the contracts for the above-named project;
 - Copy of the Contractor's bond;
 - Contracting firm’s name, address, contact person, and phone number;
 - Copy of the Contractor’s Certified Payroll.
 - Identification of all sources of funding used to pay for the project. In addition, if the project has been designated as a Davis Bacon Project, please provide a copy of the specific designation your public body received along with source of designation and funding.
4. The fourth request was received on August 5, 2022 from Chuck Noud - chuck.noud@gcsd9.net - he requested the following information:

- All emails to and from all GCSD9 Administration regarding bargaining units participating in August 19-20 US Steel Event including keywords "Union", "Unions", "Members" and "Locals."

These requests were handled by Administration.

21. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Knogl, to go into executive session for the exceptions noted under 5 ILCS 120/2 Open Meetings:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; 2(c)(1)
- Student disciplinary matters; 2(c)(9)
- The purchase or lease of real property for use by the public body; or setting a price thereof; 2(c)(5)(6)
- Collective bargaining matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; 2(c)(2)
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed...is probable or imminent.2(c)(11)
- **To discuss school building safety and security and security procedures. 2(c)(8); and**
- **Student Safety 2(c)(8)**

Members voting - Curran, "aye", Nunn, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Venne, "aye", Knogl, "aye", and Wilmsmeyer, "aye", motion carried.

The Board was called into executive session at 6:36 pm.

Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran, to exit Executive Session and resume the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Members voting - all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

22. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**; No Executive Session at July 27, 2022 Board Meeting.

23. **ADJOURNMENT** - Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm. Members voting - all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

Dennis Wilmsmeyer, President
Board of Education
Community Unit School District #9

Zack Nunn, Secretary
Board of Education
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