

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 15, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on February 15, 2016, in the Middle School Library.

The meeting was called to order by President Dickson at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members present: Dave Dickson  
Jerry Fick  
Dale Hansen  
Jerry Loitz  
Shari Ohm

Members absent: Christine Horn  
Tim Markland

Also present: Dr. John Palan, Superintendent  
Ms. Tracy Planeta, ES Principal  
Mr. Tom Sanidas, MS/HS Principal  
Mrs. Sue Anderson, Recording Secretary

Audience of 7 (23 total attended the recognition)

**APPOINTMENT OF A VICE-PRESIDENT PRO TEM:**

In Vice-President Markland's absence, a motion was made by D. Dickson, seconded by J. Loitz, to appoint D. Hansen as Vice-President Pro tem for this meeting. Roll Call: D. Dickson – yes; J. Loitz - yes; J. Fick – yes; and S. Ohm – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by D. Hansen, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of the regular and special board meetings of January 20, 2016 and January 21, 2016.
2. Financial Reports for January, 2016.
3. Direction to pay the February vendor bills in the amount of \$108,433.71.
4. Approval of the January payroll in the amount of \$260,136.07.
5. Approval of the 2016-17 calendar, as presented.

Roll Call: S. Ohm – yes; D. Hansen – yes; J. Fick – yes; J. Loitz - yes; and D. Dickson - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE:** Seven Illinois State Scholars, T. Barrera, L. Castelli, J. Gleason, S. Ilg, J. Dumas, J. Schroeder, and H. Wilcox, were recognized for their outstanding achievement.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:** The administrators' reports are attached.

**Superintendent:** Dr. Palan's report included:

1. Co-op Update: the buildings will be put up for sale and the students will be housed within member districts.
2. Title I technology update: 14 iPads and 15 Chromebooks will be ordered for Title I purposes.
3. The PERA committee has been working very hard on implementing the evaluation changes for the 2016-17 school year.
4. The district enrollment shows no change for January.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**President:** On Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, a Chili Dinner will be held at the community shelter to raise funds for the park.

**Building and Grounds:** The meeting tonight was cancelled and will be rescheduled for a date in the near future.

**Technology:** The next meeting will be in March. The infrastructure is scheduled for completion in the next few weeks; discussion is on-going regarding when the 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be allowed to take the Chromebooks home; and the committee's plan is for the entire high school to adopt the 1:1 Initiative by next school year.

**Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op:** To reduce overhead at the Co-op it has been decided by the member districts to put the building and transportation garage up for sale. Currently, the sealed bid minimum is at \$1.6 million.

**Kankakee Area Career Center:** No report.

**IASB-Three Rivers Division:** No report.

**Chamber of Commerce:** There was a large turnout for the annual holiday meeting held recently.

**Student Representatives:** Two HS students participated in the State Chess tournament and the HS play, Spamalot, is in production.

**Board Communications:** Included were a thank you card from the Jr. Class, the letter sent to parents regarding the ACT, Starting Right Workshop results and the priority goals from ISBE.

**COMMUNITY FORUM AND OTHER:** There were no questions or comments from the audience.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by D. Hansen, seconded by J. Fick, at 7:26 p.m. to go into Executive Session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of

employees. Roll Call: D. Hansen - yes; J. Fick - yes; J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:**

President Dickson declared the closed session was over at 7:45 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

**APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:**

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:45 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: S. Ohm – yes; J. Loitz – yes; J. Fick – yes; D. Hansen - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by D. Hansen, seconded by J. Fick, at 7:46 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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Jerry Fick  
Secretary

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Dave Dickson  
President