

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on March 20, 2017, 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  
Christine Horn  
Jerry Loitz  
Shari Ohm

Members absent: Tim Markland

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

Audience of 25

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of February 22, 2017.
2. Financial Reports for February, 2017.
3. Direction to pay the March vendor bills in the amount of \$.
4. Approval of the February payroll in the amount of \$274,052.67.
5. Approval of Bobby Crivokapich as HS Assistant Baseball Coach (\$1,700 no TRS).

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

**AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE:** Two Illinois State Scholars, Maddie Coletti and Jake Dickson, were honored for this achievement. Daniel McNally was also recognized for his 5<sup>th</sup> place finish in the State Wrestling tournament.

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

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

1. Overview of the District's Financial Recognition designation with a score of 3.9 by the Illinois State Board of Education. This is the sixth year in a row the district has achieved this status.
2. An enrollment update showed a decrease of one student from last month.

**RECOGNITION OF MR. DALE HANSEN, RETIRING BOARD MEMBER:**

Mr. Dale Hansen, board member since 1993, was honored for his dedication and devotion to the Grant Park School District for the past 24 years. He was presented with a bench inscribed with his name and service dates which will be placed in the high school hallway outside of the Guidance Office. Also in attendance with presentations for Mr. Hansen were Terrie Golwitzer, Bradley ES Board Member, Rob Rodewald, Board President at Bourbonnais ES and Dr. Scott Goselin, Superintendent at Bradley ES. They all worked very closely over the years with Mr. Hansen at the Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op and the Illinois Association of School Boards, where Mr. Hansen was very active.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**President:** The Village held a "Meet the Candidates" night recently at the Hamann Center and the informational session went very well.

**Building and Grounds:** No meeting.

**Technology:** Purchase orders for the additional Chromebooks and Virtual Classroom are being completed for processing next month.

**Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op:** In finalizing the sale of the building there was a slight problem with the title. The issue should be resolved and the sale should be completed within the next few weeks.

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

**IASB-Three Rivers Division:** The dinner meeting was well attended and there will be no further Division meetings until the fall.

**Chamber of Commerce:** New streetlights are being installed downtown; work will begin on the sewer line across the tracks; and the Chamber Golf Outing will be held on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Student Representatives:** SAT prep has been well attended; the HS play was a great hit; prom will be held May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Lighthouse at Cedar Lake; spring break is next week; Friday is Drive Your Tractor to School Day; and the very successful shoe drive will end this week.

**Board Communications:** Included were the documents for Momen's withdrawal from the Kankakee Area Special Education Coop.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by C. Horn, at 7:23 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.

Roll Call: J. Fick - yes; C. Horn - yes; D. Hansen - 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 8:04 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

**APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:**

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by S. Ohm, at 8:05 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: J. Loitz – yes; S. Ohm – yes; J. Fick – yes; D. Hansen - yes; C. Horn - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE REEMPLOYMENT OF THE CERTIFIED STAFF FOR THE 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR:**

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by C. Horn, to approve the superintendent’s recommendation for the reemployment of certified staff for the 2017-18 school year as presented. Roll Call: J. Fick - yes; C. Horn - yes; D. Hansen - yes; J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT FOR DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL NEEDS:**

Motion was made by D. Hansen, seconded by S. Ohm, to approve the one-year, 116 day performance contract as presented for Carrie Clodi, Director of Special Services, for the 2017-18 school year. Roll Call: D. Hansen - yes; S. Ohm - yes; J. Fick - yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Loitz - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT FOR ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL:**

Motion was made by D. Hansen, seconded by C. Horn, to approve the performance contract as presented for Tracy Planeta, Principal, for the 2017-18 school year. Roll Call: D. Hansen - yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Fick - yes; J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT FOR MS/HS PRINCIPAL:**

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by S. Ohm, to approve the performance contract as presented for Matt Maxwell, Principal, for the 2017-18 school year. Roll Call: J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm - yes; J. Fick - yes; D. Hansen – yes; C. Horn - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT:**

Motion was made by D. Hansen, seconded by J. Fick, to approve the contract amendment as presented for John Palan, Superintendent, for the 2017-18 school year. Roll Call: D. Hansen - yes; J. Fick - yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF HS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR:**

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by J. Loitz, to approve Tracy Planeta as High School Athletic Director for the 2017-18 school year with the \$4,611 stipend split with Sue Anderson for administrative support. Roll Call: S. Ohm - yes; J. Loitz - yes; J. Fick - yes; D. Hansen - yes; C. Horn - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by C. Horn, at 8:10 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Fick  
Secretary

Dave Dickson  
President