

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on January 17, 2018, in the Middle School Library.

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

Members present: Dave Dickson
Christine Horn
Jerry Loitz
Tim Markland
Shari Ohm

Members absent: Jerry Fick
Vicki Gawlinski

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

Audience of 14 (4 remaining after recognition presentations)

APPOINTMENT OF A SECRETARY PRO TEM:

In Secretary Fick's absence, a motion was made by C. Horn, seconded by T. Markland, to appoint Jerry Loitz as Secretary Pro tem for this meeting. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of December 18, 2017.
2. Financial Reports for December, 2017.
3. Direction to pay the January vendor bills in the amount of \$101,528.78.
4. Approval of the December payroll in the amount of \$296,677.70.
5. Approval of board policies, as presented: 2:100, 2:260, 4:15, 4:110, 4:150, 4:170, 5:20, 5:90, 5:100, 5:200, 5:220, 5:240, 5:290, 6:50, 6:60, 6:150, 6:300, 6:310, 6:340, 7:10, 7:15, 7:20, 7:70, 7:180, 7:190, 7:250, 7:260, 7:275, 7:305, 7:340.
6. To accept, with regret, the retirement of Mary Lietz, effective June, 2018.
7. To approve the Seniority List, as presented.
8. To approve Resolution #11718 regarding the release of executive session minutes.

Roll Call: J. Loitz – yes; T. Markland – yes; C. Horn - yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson -

yes. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE: Ryan Dulin was recognized for his advancement to the HISA State Golf Meet. As a freshman, he placed 66th overall in the state. Also, the seven Illinois State Scholars, Mykenna Ekhoﬀ, Samantha English, Jacob Jarski, Weston Lusinski, Erica Reyes, C J Rosas and Andrea Wilcox, were presented with a certificate for this achievement.

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

Superintendent: Dr. Palan's report included:

1. EBM (Evidence Based Model) and ESSA (Elementary Secondary School Act) training is now required and plans have to be written for each.
2. 2018 Graduation/Promotion dates were set: HS Graduation will be Friday, May 18th and MS Promotion will be Thursday, May 24th.
3. For the second year in a row the district has received the Niche School District Award ranking as one of the top 100 districts in the state.
4. Enrollment report shows a decrease of four students from the previous month.
5. Third grade enrollment, though, is increasing and the teacher may need additional help in the classroom.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: No report.

Building and Grounds: The lighting project is complete with the exception of the Hamann Center lot which will be finished when the ground is thawed.

Technology: Items under consideration are: the purchase of 75 additional Chromebooks at a cost of around \$25,000; a new ES cart for \$1,000; virtual glasses for the ES; and possibly more iPads for the ES.

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: No report

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: No report

Chamber of Commerce: A dinner meeting was held at Minne Monesse and the Chamber members thanked the district for hosting many of the Christmas in the Village activities.

Student Representatives: Homecoming Week activities are underway and music solo and ensemble participants have begun practicing for competitions.

APPROVAL TO CREATE COMMONS AREA:

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by C. Horn, to finish the Commons Area in the existing MS library with a cost not to exceed \$35,000 with the funds drawn from the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Roll Call: S. Ohm – yes; C. Horn – yes; J. Loitz – yes; T. Markland – yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by T. Markland, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:29 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Fick
Secretary

Dave Dickson
President