

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 24, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on April 24, 2019, in the Middle School Library.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Palan at 7:00 p.m. (the pledge of allegiance was recited at the Reorganization Meeting at 6:45 p.m.).

Members present: Jerry Fick
Vicki Gawlinski
Christine Horn
Jerry Loitz
Tim Markland

Members absent: Dave Dickson
Shari Ohm

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

Audience of 13 (after presentation, one audience member remained)

APPOINTMENT OF A PRESIDENT PRO TEM:

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

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by V. Gawlinski, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of March 28, 2019.
2. Financial Reports for March, 2019.
3. Direction to pay the April vendor bills in the amount of \$142,554.34.
4. Approval of the March payroll in the amount of \$284,610.05.
5. To approve Beverly Junker as Treasurer (\$1,513, no TRS).
6. To approve the 2019-20 school fees, as presented.
7. To approve board policies: 2:20, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 2:250, 4:30, 4:100, 4:110, 4:150, 4:160, 5:10, 5:250, 5:330, 6:15, 6:656, 6:185, 7:185, 8:95
8. To accept, with regret, the resignation of Joe Bravo, Elementary custodian.
9. To approve the 2019-20 substitute teacher pay rate at \$95 per day.

Roll Call: J. Fick – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Loitz - yes; T. Markland - yes.
Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE: Presentation of plaques from the Summer Basketball Group to the 2018-2019 Boys Basketball Regional Champions.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS: The administrators' reports are attached. Additionally, the possibility of starting a girls' soccer team will be explored; Mr. Maxwell will be hosting summer curriculum meetings; and opportunities for on-line electives in CTE have been discussed and researched to potentially begin next year.

Superintendent: Dr. Palan's report included:

1. Information regarding the levy computation report showed an eighteen cent drop in the tax rate and an increase in the EAV.
2. Video production update – a proposal and time-line is in process.
3. The GP Police Department received donations and fundraised to put together medical kits for each office. Smaller kits will be ordered for all classrooms using tort funds.
4. The Daily Journal Progress Award dinner was held recently and an after-hours celebration for the staff is in the works.
5. The district received a Financial Profile Score of 4.0 and a "Financial Recognition" designation from ISBE.
6. Enrollment report shows an increase of one student from the previous month.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: Not present

Building and Grounds: Priority projects include: installation of ES playground equipment, \$4,400; replace HS air conditioning unit, \$9,200; third stage of the security swipe system; professional finishing of the gym floor with logo painted in the center. The new mower was ordered. Long term projects include a new roof for the Hamann Center and elementary building and the elementary boiler will need replacing.

Technology: Online registration was discussed but parent signatures will still be necessary on documents. Also discussed at the meeting was the need for more iPad apps; new Chromebooks at a cost of about \$24,000; 51 teacher computers at an approximate cost of \$42,000; and a potential You Tube Channel for Choir and Band was mentioned.

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: No report

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: No report

Chamber of Commerce: The annual golf outing will be held on May 18th.

Student Representatives: Three students placed at the State ACES (WYSE) competition; NHS is going on their annual field trip to Build-A-Bear and will donate to a children's hospital; prom is on May 3rd; and graduation will be held on May 17th.

Board Communications: A reminder to the board to complete the county's Statement of Economic Interest and an article regarding the severe teacher shortage in Illinois.

COMMUNITY FORUM AND OTHER: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:31 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 or employees.

Roll Call: J. Fick - yes; J. Loitz - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; and T. Markland - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:

President Dickson declared the closed session was over at 7:52 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by C. Horn, at 7:53 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: J. Fick – yes; C. Horn – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; J. Loitz - yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE REEMPLOYMENT OF THE NON-CERTIFIED STAFF FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR AND 4% PAY INCREASE:

Motion was made by V. Gawlinski, seconded by C. Horn, to approve the superintendent’s recommendation for the reemployment of non-certified staff as presented and a 4% pay increase for the 2019-20 school year. Roll Call: V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Fick - yes; J. Loitz - yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR:

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by J. Fick, to approve the annual contract for Andy Dillman, Technology Director, for the 2019-20 school year. Roll Call: J. Loitz – yes; J. Fick – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; C. Horn – yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by J. Loitz , seconded by C. Horn, at 7:54 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Fick
Secretary

Dave Dickson
President