

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 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 December 16, 2019, 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
Vicki Gawlinski
Jerry Loitz
Tim Markland
Shari Ohm

Member absent: Jerry Fick
Christine Horn

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

Audience of 20, 6 remained after student presentation

APPOINTMENT OF A SECRETARY PRO TEM:

In Secretary Fick's absence, a motion was made by T. Markland, seconded by J. Loitz, to appoint Vicki Gawlinski as Secretary Pro tem for this meeting. Roll Call: T. Markland – yes; J. Loitz – yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of November 18, 2019.
2. Financial Reports for November, 2019.
3. Direction to pay the December vendor bills in the amount of \$107,971.01.
4. Approval of the November payroll in the amount of \$293,234.23.
5. To employ Rachel McLaughlin as 7th Grade Volleyball Coach (\$1,433, no TRS), and Marissa Facko for MS Dishwasher (\$10.48 per hour).
6. To accept the resignation of Sue Dillman, GPHS Custodian, effective December 4, 2019.
7. To approve policies: 2:20, 2:70, 2:100, 2:105, 2:110, 2:200, 2:220, 2:70E, 2:14E, 2:20E2, 2:20E6, 3:40E, 4:15, 4:30, 4:60, 4:80, 4:150, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 5:90, 5:100, 5:120, 5:20E, 5:200, 5:220, 5:250, 5:290, 5:330, 6:20, 6:60, 6:150, 6:300, 7:20, 7:150, 7:180, 7:270, 8:30, 4:190.

Roll Call: S. Ohm – yes; T. Markland – yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; J. Loitz - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE: Recognition of MS Students (Elizabeth Voight, Abby Watson, Emma Zizic and Jake Marshalek) for their generous donation of time to help with the Kankakee Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Two seniors also presented a video to the Board announcing the Niche Award for 2020. This is the fourth year the district has received the honor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS: The administrators' reports are attached. Mr. Maxwell reported a FAFSA workshop was held recently and one parent attended; he participated in a tour of several Kankakee area businesses along with Mrs. Heikes; and the PSAT scores were received and the top scorers will be given awards.

Superintendent: Dr. Palan's report included:

1. The 2019 graduation date for GPHS has been set for May 15, 2020. The date for the 8th Grade Promotion will be set at a later time.
2. As per the School Threat Assessment requirement the district is in good shape although a few other protocols will need to be added.
3. Enrollment Report showed the total enrollment decreased by two students from the previous month.

APPROVAL OF THE 2019 TAX LEVY:

Dr. Palan reported that there was a spike in the EAV of about 1.5 million due in part to assessment and in part to new construction. The current CPI is estimated to be 1.9%. Also, the tax rate will show a decline mainly due to the expiration of the bonds. The request levy is \$3,916,500. A motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by V. Gawlinski, to approve the 2019 tax levy. Roll Call: J. Loitz – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; T. Markland – yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: No report

Building and Grounds: A quote has been secured to repair the pipe in the Hamann Center; the floor will also be professionally repaired over the holiday break; and more repairs will be made to the building over the summer.

Technology: The December meeting was postponed.

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: Nothing new from the last meeting.

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: No report

Chamber of Commerce: Christmas in the Village went well; and the next meeting is January 8th at Minne Monesse.

Student Representatives: The Jazz Band performed holiday music at the Riverside Memory Care Center and Northfield Mall; NHS held a babysitting night at the Hamann Center; and this is NHS Spirit Week which includes Secret Santas and a breakfast on Friday.

Board Communications: None

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by T. Markland, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:27 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: T. Markland - yes; J. Loitz - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:

President Dickson declared the closed session was over at 7:50 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:

Motion was made by T. Markland, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:51 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: T. Markland – yes; J. Loitz – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; S. Ohm - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:52 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Fick
Secretary

Tim Markland
President Pro Tem