

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

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 19, 2020, 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  
Vicki Gawlinski  
Christine Horn  
Jerry Loitz  
Tim Markland  
Shari Ohm

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

Audience of 6

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of January 22, 2020.
2. Financial Reports for January, 2020.
3. Direction to pay the February vendor bills in the amount of \$114,173.40.
4. Approval of the January payroll in the amount of \$278,531.90.
5. To accept the resignation of Sarah Zelhart, Yearbook Advisor, effective at the conclusion of the 2019-20 school year and John Kaminski, ES Custodian, effective February 23, 2020.
6. To employ Doug Surprenant as MS Assistant Track Coach (\$1,433, no TRS).
7. To accept, with regret, the retirement notification of Julie Wielgat, effective at the conclusion of the 2019-20 school year.
8. To approve the 2020-21 School Calendar, as presented.

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

**AUDIENCE TO PERSON'S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE:** None

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:** The administrators' reports are attached. Ms. Planeta reported at the recent In-Service teachers shared their intervention ideas with each other and the ES is counting down the days to IAR testing. Test questions and standards were shared with the staff. Mr. Maxwell distributed a brochure that was sent to parents regarding next year's classes, which includes dual-credit offerings. Also, on February 8<sup>th</sup>, the MS hosted the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Kan-Will Volleyball Tournament and the HS hosted the RVC Scholastic Bowl. Twelve different schools attended these events and had high praise for the events' organization and the facilities. Lastly, Mr. Maxwell announced that Madison Meherg was named the female IPA Award recipient. The male winner will be announced soon.

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

1. A survey regarding the new breakfast initiative was sent to ES parents and so far, over 73% are showing an interest in participating.
2. The Illinois Minimum Wage Law will take effect soon and, as a result, the district's entry level pay scales are being modified.
3. The Scope/Sequence initiative was last updated five years ago and will be revisited this summer.
4. Enrollment Report showed the total enrollment increased by two students from the previous month.

**APPROVAL OF THE 2020-21 TRANSPORTATION LEASE:**

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by S. Ohm, to approve the 2020-21 transportation lease with Midwest Transit Equipment, as presented. Roll Call: J. Fick - yes; S. Ohm - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; J. Loitz - yes; T. Markland - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**President:** The village is holding a "Cabin Fever Reliever" event this Saturday.

**Building and Grounds:** In regards to the maintenance grant, the security system came in at a much higher cost so it was replaced with a water heater.

**Technology:** No report

**Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op:** Next meeting is on Friday.

**Kankakee Area Career Center:** Meeting will take place next month.

**IASB-Three Rivers Division:** Division Meeting is on 3/3.

**Chamber of Commerce:** No report

**Student Representatives:** The HS play will take place in a few weeks; the Math Regional contest will be held on Saturday in Crete; and Student Council sold suckers for Valentine's Day and an anonymous donor purchased suckers for the entire staff.

**Board Communications:** Nothing

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by J. Fick, at 7:20 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. Loitz - yes; J. Fick - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; T. Markland - 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; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; T. Markland - yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL TO HIRE MS BOWLING SPONSOR:**

Motion was made by J. Fick, seconded by C. Horn, at 7:46 p.m. to hire Amy Sluis as MS Bowling Sponsor for \$462 plus TRS. Roll Call: J. Fick – yes; C. Horn – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; J. Loitz – yes; T. Markland – yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by T. Markland, seconded by J. Loitz, 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