

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 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 October 21, 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
Jerry Fick
Vicki Gawlinski
Christine Horn
Jerry Loitz
Shari Ohm

Member absent: Tim Markland

Also present: Dr. John Palan, Superintendent
Ms. Tracy Planeta, ES Principal
Mrs. Sue Anderson, Recording Secretary

Audience of 2

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of September 23, 2019.
2. Financial Reports for September, 2019.
3. Direction to pay the October vendor bills in the amount of \$95,369.34.
4. Approval of the September payroll in the amount of \$276,224.82.
5. To employ James Johnson and Ron Kveck as "Co-Coaches" of 7th Grade Boys Basketball Team (\$1,109 per sponsor, no TRS).
6. To accept the resignation of Nina Zalewski as 8th grade volleyball coach for the 2019-20 season.

Roll Call: 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 added they are starting a homework club after school next week called FIRE Club (Focusing In Reviewing Everything). It will start with grades two through five for now. Kindergarten will also begin their own enrichment activities and offer extra support for specific students.

Superintendent: Dr. Palan's report included:

1. ISBE designation for the ES (K-8) was "Commendable".
2. Posted vacancies for 2nd semester include Spanish and PE.
3. Data for the 2019 Levy reveals the EAV increased more than expected. Dr. Palan will be working on the numbers in the coming weeks.
4. A communications strategy for the release of the video was outlined. Ideas on how to promote/disseminate the video were discussed.
5. Enrollment Report showed a total enrollment of 459 students, an increase of one over last month.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: The Village Board was also meeting this evening to discuss the recent survey and the next steps to be taken to promote the village.

Building and Grounds: The old lab next to the fitness center will be partially converted to a storage area for district records. The window clings on the cafeteria were installed last week.

Technology: The 5th graders took home their Chromebooks for the first time last week. Mr. Dillman talked to them about proper care of the devices. The district will begin a Facebook channel to air events and share school news.

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: No report

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: At the last dinner meeting it was encouraged for boards to send a delegate to the assembly at the Conference; the legislative report shared news of over 100 new mandates coming forth including MS Civics classes, new minimum salaries for teachers, and the teacher shortage. It was also suggested that districts invite legislators into their schools to share the "good things" going on within.

Chamber of Commerce: The next meeting is 11/13.

Student Representatives: NHS will be making treats for Pink Night and split the profits with the Bev Roberts Foundation; the Jr. Class took the PSAT last week; and Student Council donated a basket for the Pink Night festivities.

Board Communications: Legal updates included articles regarding workplace harassment and an amendment to the Open Meetings Act for Closed Session Discussion.

COMMUNITY FORUM AND OTHER: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by C. Horn, seconded by J. Loitz, at 7:25 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: C. Horn - yes; J. Loitz - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:

President Dickson declared the closed session was over at 7:37 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 7:38 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: J. Fick – yes; C. Horn – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; J. Loitz - yes; S. Ohm – yes; and D. Dickson – yes. Motion carried unanimously

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by S. Ohm, at 7:39 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Fick
Secretary

Dave Dickson
President