

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 27, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on September 27, 2021 in the Middle School Library.

The meeting was called to order by President Markland at 6:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members present: Vicki Gawlinski
Christine Horn – arrived 6:08
Jerry Loitz
Tim Markland
Dave Marshalek
Hollie O’Nions

Member absent: Shari Ohm

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

Audience of 5

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by H. O’Nions, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of August, 2021.
2. Financial Reports for August, 2021.
3. Direction to pay the September vendor bills in the amount of \$124,919.62.
4. Approval of the August payroll in the amount of \$260,453.11.
5. To accept the notification of retirement (conclusion of the 2023 school year) of Mrs. Debbie O’Day, HS Math Instructor.
6. To approve Madison Coletti as Tech Mentor for the 2021-2022 School Year (\$480 plus TRS), Richard Wilkening as HS Custodian (\$12.75 per hour), Renee Bronson and Joe Niezgoda as Co-Senior Sponsors (\$378.50 plus TRS), Chantal Draskowski as ES Cafeteria Server (\$11.00 per hour).
7. To accept the resignations of: Jacylin Klemp, MS Math Teacher (effective October 1, 2021) and Marilyn Cordes, Reading Interventionist (effective October 14, 2021).
8. To approve Board Policy (exhibit) 2:220-E9 and the Five Year Review of: 1:10, 1:20, 1:30, 2:220-E4, 3:30, 6:100, 6:170, 7:220, 7:230.

Roll Call: J. Loitz – yes; H. O’Nions – yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; D. Marshalek – yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO PERSON’S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE: None

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

Superintendent: Dr. Palan’s report included:

1. ESSER III Funds may come in at over \$500,000 and the funds will be used for technology/innovation, closing academic gaps and recruiting staff.
2. School Maintenance Grant will once again be matching up to \$50,000 and these funds will be earmarked for a HS Science Lab renovation.
3. Enrollment has increased in numbers over the end of last year.

OPENING OF THE FY 2022 BUDGET HEARING:

Motion was made by V. Gawlinski, seconded by C. Horn, at 6:15 p.m. to open the FY 2022 budget hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSING OF THE FY 2022 BUDGET HEARING:

Dr. Palan reviewed the FY ’22 budget and stated that, overall, he is presenting a balanced budget in the amount of \$5,879,120. The Education and O & M funds are balanced. The Transportation fund shows a deficit but is offset by a surplus in Working Cash. The revenue side may go up this year due to unexpected income. There is a slight concern about the stability of the Building and Transportation funds but they will be watched closely. Following this discussion, a motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by H. O’Nions, at 6:18 p.m. to close the FY 2022 budget hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF THE FY 2022 BUDGET:

Motion was made by D. Marshalek, seconded by H. O’Nions, at 6:19 p.m. to accept the superintendent’s recommendation to adopt the budget for the 2021-22 school year as presented.

Roll Call: D. Marshalek – yes; H. O’Nions – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; C. Horn – yes; J. Loitz – yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: No report

Building and Grounds: The outdoor sign is ready but power connection is three to four weeks out.

Technology: Promethean boards are behind schedule but will be shipped soon; the new ESSER funds will allow the purchase of more projectors and new security cameras; and a committee will be forming to evaluate updated attendance software.

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: No report

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: No report

Chamber of Commerce: No report

Student Representatives: Not in attendance

Board Communications: A notice was included regarding new “Playtime Legislation”.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by D. Marshalek, seconded by J. Loitz, at 6:22 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 of employees.

The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body.

Roll Call: D. Marshalek - yes; J. Loitz – yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; H. O’Nions - yes; and T. Markland - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:

President Markland declared the closed session was over at 6:58 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:

Motion was made by D. Marshalek, seconded by J. Loitz, at 6:58 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: D. Marshalek - yes; J. Loitz - yes; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn - yes; H. O’Nions - yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by C. Horn, at 6:59 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Loitz
Secretary

Vicki Gawlinski
President