

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 15, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Grant Park Community Unit School District No. 6 Board of Education, Kankakee County, State of Illinois, was held on May 15, 2023 in the Middle School Library.

The meeting was called to order by President Markland at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Vicki Gawlinski
Christine Horn
Jerry Loitz
Tim Markland
Dave Marshalek
Shari Ohm
Chrissy Pickens

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

Audience of 2

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of April, 2023.
2. Financial Reports for April, 2023.
3. Direction to pay the May vendor bills in the amount of \$290,812.03.
4. Approval of the April payroll in the amount of \$311,711.77.
5. To approve the resignation of Elizabeth Karstensen (ES Cafeteria), Jenni Hoekstra (MS/HS Cafeteria) and Madison Coletti, HS Science.
6. To approve the EC/Sponsor recommendations for the 2023-24 school year as presented, Clayton McKinstry (\$13.65), Cole Overbeek (\$13.20) and Jayden Ewoldt (\$13.20) as part-time summer custodians.
7. To approve the maternity request of Nina Rees, as presented.
8. To approve the purchased service contract with Yakos Therapy Services (Speech) as presented.

9. To approve the daily sub rate of \$115.00 per day for the 2023-24 school year.
10. To approve board policies: 2:110, 4:60, 5:125, 5:150, 5:260, 5:30, 5:90, 6:135, 6:230, 8:20, 3:40-E, 4:40, 5:285, 6:210, 8:70.
11. To approve the Joint Agreement of the KARVES, as presented.

Roll Call: C. Horn – yes; J. Loitz - yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; D. Marshalek - yes; S. Ohm - yes; C. Pickens - yes; and Tim Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE TO PERSON’S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE: Three important people were recognized for their service to GP. Paige Tavoletti, Sr. Board Representative, was thanked for her dedication of time and input to the Board on behalf of the student body. Dr. Matt Maxwell’s contributions to the students and staff at GP MS and HS were acknowledged and his connection with the students was exemplified. He was pivotal in bringing college programs for the students to earn credits while in high school. Debbie O’Day, Math Teacher at GPHS for 18 years, was recognized for her service as she is preparing for retirement. Mrs. O’Day has positively impacted students throughout her years in the district and she will be missed immensely. All three were presented with gifts of appreciation from the Board of Education.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS: Administrators reports are attached. Ms. Planeta referred the Board to the important end-of-year dates for the ES, which included the Science Fair and Carnival the students are preparing. Dr. Maxwell thanked the Board for the kind words as he prepares to finish up his duties in the district.

Superintendent: Dr. Palan’s report included:

1. ESSER III Plan will be updated to divert the Social Worker money to another line item since no applicants were received. The money will need to be expended by 9/2024.
2. A strategic meeting will be held on 6/5 to discuss future facility needs, specifically planning for the ES boiler and roof repairs/replacement.
3. Two vendors have submitted quotes for new ES kitchen appliances. A decision will be made by June 1st with a completion goal of August 15th.
4. Overall district enrollment remained constant in April.

OPENING OF THE FY 2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING:

Motion was made by V. Gawlinski , seconded by C. Horn, at 6:25 p.m. to open the FY 2023 budget amendment hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF CHANGES FROM PROPOSED BUDGET:

Due to the large influx of Corporate Personal Property Tax this year, per the auditor’s suggestion, the budget will be amended to reflect the revenue and expenditure changes in the O & M Fund. All of the building projects, i.e. gym floor, security system, science lab, will be funded this fiscal year, in conjunction with the Maintenance Grant.

CLOSING OF THE FY 2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING:

Motion was made by C. Pickens, seconded by C. Horn, to place the amended budget on display for 30 days in the district office and to close the FY 2023 budget amendment hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President: Mr. Markland welcomed Mrs. Pickens to the Board.

Building and Grounds: Installation of the security cameras has begun and should be completed well before the June 30th deadline.

Technology: No report

Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op: No report

Kankakee Area Career Center: No report

IASB-Three Rivers Division: No report

Chamber of Commerce: Driving the Dixie will take place on July 29th and starting in January the Chamber will hold dinner meetings at Cardinal Creek.

Student Representatives: The senior picnic is on Wednesday; graduation will take place this Friday; Mrs. O’Day is taking students on an architectural boat tour/Navy Pier field trip; students had a great time at prom and post-prom; the Distracted Driver Assembly made an impact on many students; and several students attended the Youth Advisory Council meeting presented by the Regional Office.

Board Communications: Joint Annual Conference registration begins on June 5th.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by J. Loitz, seconded by V. Gawlinski, at 6:35 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; V. Gawlinski - yes; C. Horn – yes; D. Marshalek - yes; S. Ohm – yes; C. Pickens - yes; and T. Markland - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:

President Markland declared the closed session was over at 6:54 p.m. and the meeting would continue in Open Session.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:

Motion was made by V. Gawlinski, seconded by J. Loitz, at 6:55 p.m. to approve the Executive Session minutes as read. Roll Call: V. Gawlinski - yes; J. Loitz - yes; C. Horn – yes; D. Marshalek – yes; S. Ohm – yes; C. Pickens - yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by D. Marshalek, seconded by S. Ohm, at 6:56 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Loitz
Secretary

Tim Markland
President