

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

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 19, 2022 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  
Tim Markland  
Dave Marshalek  
Shari Ohm  
Hollie O’Nions

Members absent: Jerry Loitz

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

Audience of 2

**APPOINTMENT OF A SECRETARY PRO TEM:**

In Secretary Loitz’s absence, a motion was made by C. Horn, seconded by V. Gawlinski, to appoint D. Marshalek as Secretary Pro tem for this meeting. Roll Call: C. Horn – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; D. Marshalek - yes; S. Ohm – yes; H. O’Nions – yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

1. Minutes of the regular board meeting of August, 2022.
2. Financial Reports for August, 2022.
3. Direction to pay the September vendor bills in the amount of \$147,822.87.
4. Approval of the August payroll in the amount of \$275,912.13.
5. To approve the maternity leave/FMLA request of Mrs. Laura Spang, estimated beginning date of February 7, 2023.

6. To approve Mark Segert (Lawn Service, ES PT Custodian) and Kelly Gannon (HS PT Custodian) at \$13.00 per hour, Kaitlyn McMahan as a Volunteer for HS Volleyball Assistant, and Ann Wyatt as Homebound Instructor (\$30 per hour), Jennifer Anglin as MS Math Coach (\$1,219) and Sarah Macari as ES Paraprofessional/ES Lunchroom Supervisor (\$14.10) per hour.
7. To approve the daily Substitute Teacher Pay rate at \$110.00 per day as of October 1, 2022.
8. To request the suspension of impact fees for a period of two additional years (July, 2024).

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

**AUDIENCE TO PERSON’S SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE:** None noted

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS:** Administrators reports are attached. Ms. Planeta explained the “WIN” program at the ES (What I Need) which entails thirty minutes of daily remedial or enrichment instruction in an attempt to close the gaps in learning loss. So far, students and staff are excited to participate in this plan.

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

1. A list was provided that showed the district could be expecting close to \$1.5 million in federal grants.
2. The School Maintenance Grant (2023), which is a matching grant up to \$50,000, will be used for school security if it is obtained.
3. Three options will be provided at the October meeting regarding future bus leasing. The cost of new bus leases is currently up about 40%.
4. 10 Year Life Safety Report is almost complete and it is likely there will be some findings to remedy this time around.
5. August enrollment was at 457 students, Pre-K through grade 12.

**OPENING OF THE FY 2023 BUDGET HEARING:**

Motion was made by H. O’Nions, seconded by S. Ohm, at 6:15 p.m. to open the FY 2023 budget hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSING OF THE FY 2023 BUDGET HEARING:**

Dr. Palan reviewed the FY ’23 budget and stated that, overall, he is presenting a balanced budget in the amount of \$6,120,160. 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 in Corporate Personal Property Tax. Another unknown at this time is the expense of the HS Science Lab renovation. 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 C. Horn, seconded by V. Gawlinski, at 6:22 p.m. to close the FY 2023 budget hearing. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTION OF THE FY 2023 BUDGET:**

Motion was made by S. Ohm, seconded by C. Horn, at 6:23 p.m. to accept the superintendent's recommendation to adopt the budget for the 2022-23 school year as presented. Roll Call: S. Ohm – yes; C. Horn – yes; V. Gawlinski – yes; D. Marshalek – yes; H. O’Nions – yes; and T. Markland – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**President:** No report

**Building and Grounds:** The next items for discussion will be the security system and the possible total restoration of the main gym floor.

**Technology:** The next meeting is in October.

**Kankakee Area Special Education Co-op:** The budget was approved at the last meeting and the committee took a tour of the new transition facility.

**Kankakee Area Career Center:** The next meeting is in November.

**IASB-Three Rivers Division:** No report

**Chamber of Commerce:** No report

**Student Representatives:** Not in attendance

**Board Communications:** Mr. Stadt would like to start an AG Society Club and will meet with Dr. Palan to discuss details. Also, the minimum wage is set to increase in January and a plan will be put in place to implement those changes.

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

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by H. O’Nions, seconded by V. Gawlinski, at 6:33 p.m. to adjourn. Voice vote, all yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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Jerry Loitz  
Secretary

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Tim Markland  
President