

GREENSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019 7:30 PM

Those present were: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger. Also present were: Tom Hunter, Cindy Navarra, Tammy Williams and Vicki Houk.

Mark Wolter opened the regular school board meeting at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to approve minutes of the October 8, 2019 school board meeting. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Gail Rueff made a motion, seconded by Steve Doerflinger to approve vouchers 30061 – 30291. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Hunter reported on the fund balances. Gail Rueff made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to approve the monthly financial report as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to approve “Resolution to Transfer Amounts from Education Fund to the Operations Fund”. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Christy Norton made a motion, seconded by Gail Rueff to appoint Andrea Phillips as Corporation Treasurer and Gayle McIntyre as Deputy Treasurer. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Mrs. Kara Holdsworth, Primary Principal and Mrs. Mary Beth Meyer, Intermediate Principal, updated board members regarding curriculum focus at Greensburg Elementary School. Mrs. Holdsworth spoke about GCS seeking a grant from the Child Care Development Fund with State of Indiana to establish a Pre-School program for qualified 4 year olds in Greensburg Community Schools district. Mr. Hunter met with the current pre-schools in our district. This will fill in the gap for those students currently not attending any preschool due to cost. GCS will be notified in January to see if GCS will be awarded the grant. Mrs. Meyer spoke about the many amazing things happening at the school. She invited the board members to come into GES anytime and visit the classrooms.

Mr. Grant Peters, Principal, spoke about the initiatives at Greensburg Community High School, “What we teach, why we teach it, and how we are teaching it.” Mark Wolter thanked each of the principals for their presentation.

Ms. Sue Auffenberg, Director of Guidance and Mrs. Caroline Hurd, Guidance Counselor with Greensburg Community High School provided board members with the 2020-2021 High School Curriculum Guide. After answering questions, Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Gail Rueff to approve the Curriculum Guide as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Gail Rueff made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to approve New Neola Policy on Sponsorship. This is the second reading. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Christy Norton made a motion, seconded by Steve Doerflinger to approve the 2020-2024 Bus Driver Contracts for Route #12 Susan Meyerrose and Route #4 Paul D. Hawkins. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Mr. Hunter shared results of the survey items to parents, students, staff and community members regarding the topics: Early Release/Late Arrival Options for Professional Development and Use of E-Learning Days for school cancellations. Board members agreed that more information and discussion will need to happen. Mr. Hunter thanked the teachers who spoke about the need for Professional Development in their buildings. We are behind you, we will not be making this decision in a month. A lot of good conversation has occurred. Our goal is to have a plan in place for the 2020-2021 school year. Mark Wolter thanked the staff members who attended the meeting and for their input, we want to put in place what is going to work best for everyone.

Gail Rueff made a motion, seconded by Steve Doerflinger to approve the 2019-2020 District Goals as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger. (See Attachment A).

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Gail Rueff to continue membership in the Indiana School Board Association. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Superintendent's Report

- The annual Thanksgiving luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 20th at 12:00 PM in the High School library. All board members are invited to attend.
- Mr. Hunter reviewed the school delay and cancellation procedures.
- Mr. Hunter reminded board members of the ISBA Regional Fall meeting. It will be on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, we will meet at central office and leave by 5:00 PM.
- Gail Rueff made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to approve the 2018-2019 Certified Staff Evaluation ratings as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Leave of Absence:

Christy Norton made a motion, seconded by Gail Rueff to approve the leave of absence request for Allison Bennett. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Appointments:

Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Gail Rueff to approve the following:

Mark Whitaker – GHS 9th grade Girls Basketball Coach

Todd Black – GJHS Archery Coach

Chase Trueblood – GHS 9th grade Boys Basketball Coach

Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Donations:

Christy Norton made a motion, seconded by Steve Doerflinger to approve the following:

- a. \$245 to Jewell Chambers GES library fund.
- b. \$100 from International Material Handling to GHS SADD club.
- c. \$200 from Jim Israel to the GES delinquent lunch fund.
- d. \$500 from First Federal Savings and Loan to GHS Robotics Team
- e. \$250 from Richards Insurance Agency to GHS Athletics
- f. \$100 from Decatur County REMC to GHS Athletics
- g. \$250 from Napoleon State Bank to GHS Athletics
- h. \$300 from Lowe's Pellets and Grain to GHS Athletics
- i. \$500 from DCMH to GHS Athletics
- j. \$250 from Davis and Daughters to GHS Athletics
- k. \$80 from Dana Calfee to GJHS Archery
- l. \$120 from Larry Calfee to GJHS Archery
- m. \$20 from Jennifer Kramer to GJHS Archery
- n. \$500 from McDonald's MAC Grant to GHS FACS Dept.

Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.

Other:

Mr. Hunter congratulated Cindy Navarra on her retirement. Friday will be her last day with the corporation. He thanked her for her 16 years of service with GCS. She has done a wonderful job.

Mr. Hunter presented Cindy with a plaque and gold card.

Cindy thanked Mr. Hunter and the board members for being supportive of her these past 16 years.

Communications from Board Members:

Mark Wolter thanked Cindy Navarra for her service and to enjoy retirement.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7:30 PM at the Greensburg Community School Central Office.

Steve Doerflinger made a motion, seconded by Christy Norton to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. Motion carried 4-0. Voting in favor: Mark Wolter, Gail Rueff, Christy Norton, and Steve Doerflinger.