

School Board Meeting – March 10, 2020

Regular & Executive Session

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – 7:00 P.M.

ESTABLISH A QUORUM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of School Trustees of the John Glenn School Corporation met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 2020, at the Harold C. Urey Middle School Media Center. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Christian Mattix, Dan Drotar, Dennis Holland, and Curt Pletcher. Bill Groves was absent. Christopher Winchell, Superintendent, and 15 observers were also present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Walkerton Elementary Recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- \$79 from Texas Roadhouse Give-Back Night
- Bag of yarn from Mr. Steven Cunnington
- \$1,200 from the John Glenn Education Foundation for the Medieval Times trip.
- Alex Tungate, Cadet Teacher at WES, organized a coloring contest for FFA Week. The winners from WES are: Etta Guseilla, Eliza Dickinson, Tanner Harris, Rylee Cuskaden, Audrey Ennis, Troy Bell, Landon Burgh, Bentley Garrett, Natasha Newberg
- Congratulations to the following students: Hayley Chapman, Julian Kellems, Lincoln Reese, Izzy Knowlton and Josie Knowlton. All received a first place ribbon at the Regional Science Fair held at Notre Dame.
- Mr. Davis thanked the following people for visiting with WES students as a career speaker: Brian Perry, Rebecca Stephens, and Phil Buckmaster.
- Mrs. Lindsey Ennis’s second grade class recently published a book called “Sea Creatures”. Mr. Davis shared a copy of the book with the Board.
- The Girls’ 5th Grade Basketball A Team won the Oregon Davis Tournament on Saturday, March 7, 2020.
- The following people were recognized for being Guest Readers during Read Across America week: Sharon Harasewicz, Shelly Clark, Jodi Park, Cathy VanDuyne, Jennifer Cygert, Rich Stauffer, Donna Rummel, and Andy Stegemiller.
- Mrs. Tracy Perry’s class organized collections for a care package for Isaiah Martin’s dad, who is stationed in Afghanistan, as well as writing letters and making a paper chain flag for him.
- On February 20 and 21, 2020, the Mobile Dentists came to WES. Over the two days they were able to see 30 students and provide cleanings and other dental exams.
- Stu, the South Bend Cubs mascot, came to WES on Friday, February 28, 2020 to help kick off the South Bend Cubs Reading Challenge.
- Mrs. Andrea Hoppe’s second grade class made dioramas on Endangered Animals and shared with all 2nd grade students. Mr. Davis provided to the Board photos of the students’ projects.

North Liberty Elementary School Recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- \$200 from PTO for the Robotics Team
- \$10 from Falcon 500 for the Robotics Team
- PE Teacher, Cristyn Messick, sponsored the American Heart Association fundraiser and the school raised \$3,706.73. Homeroom challenger winners were Mrs. Michelle Weiss’ 6th Grade Class with 81% participation and Mrs. Emily Hess’ 3rd Grade Class with 88% participation.

- Mrs. Lisa Morris has been named North Liberty Elementary School's Teacher of the Year. Support Staff of the Year is Jack O'Connor.
- Marshall County Reading Council Young Author Essay Contest winners are 1st Grader Ezekiel Yoder and 2nd Grader Maddison Dosmann. The two students will attend a meet-and-greet at Laville Elementary School on March 11, 2020, where they will meet Tonia Allen Gould, author of "Samuel T. Moore of Corte Magore".
- Two robotics teams qualified for the State Competition in Indianapolis on March 7, 2020. The all girls team, Shambotz, finished 59th out of 67 teams in their division. Team members include Arianna Stanley, Jolene Tungate, Kylee Borton, Hazel Peterson, Kylie Timm, Amelia Stevens, Julia Rudecki, and Coach, Kelly Stanley. Team Tech Know Logic, finished 23rd, advancing to the finals and finishing 10th out of 12 alliance teams. Team members include Logan Alexander, Landon Richie, Atticus Wakeman, Aiden Werntz, Elden Philson, Devin Braun, Trace Slayton and Coach, Jessica Stafford. The top five alliances at finals will advance to the World Competition in Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Randy Romer, Principal, congratulated Coordinator, Jen Traub, and the Robotics teams.
- Mr. Romer reminded all in attendance of Kindergarten Round Up night on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Urey Middle School Recognitions:

- Congratulations to 8th graders, Logan Richie and Blake Temple, and 7th graders, Michaela Hurford and Keagan Kaminski, for being named February Students of the Month.
- Congratulations to the following students who were "Caught Doing Good" during the month of February: Emmajo Barden, Breeauna Carroll, Ty'Ronn Carroll, Daelynn Nance, Cierra Nowak, Karol Schmalzried, and Camryn Taghon. Students will enjoy a special lunch as a reward.
- Thank you to Rebecca Stephens for participating in our Career Café. On Monday, March 2, 2020, Rebecca spoke to students regarding how she turned her passion for Cosmetology into a business.
- Thank you to Jodie Temple for her donation of an Electronic Circuit Board and to Jodi Alexander for donating a Robotikits Solar Robot for the Urey Makerspace program.
- Congratulations to the Urey Middle School Sound Sensation who received a gold rating for their excellent performance at the ISSMA Jazz Festival on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at LaPorte High School.
- Congratulations to 7th graders Kirstin Stambaugh and Michael Solymosi, and 8th graders Alisha Smith and Nathan Matanic, for being the top scorers in the American Legion Americanism and Government Scholarship Test. Nathan Matanic was named the District Winner. Mr. Rob Kelly and Mr. Jim Hewitt, from the American Legion, presented awards to the students on February 26, 2020.

John Glenn High School recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- \$500 from AK Industries for Baseball
- \$50 from American Plumbing and Bath for Baseball
- \$1,000 from Michelle and Donny Gee for Football
- \$1,000 from Michelle and Donny Gee for Track
- \$80 from Jack and Olivia Hildreth for Baseball
- \$50 each from Tri Kappa, Epsilon Chi for Aerial, Art Club, Band, Drama, Choir, Yearbook, and Academic Superbowl
- \$60 from Kerry Knape for Baseball
- \$100 from Rob and Vikki Miller for Baseball
- \$1,000 from Richard and Catherine Reese for Baseball
- \$200 from Ross Engineering and Machine for Baseball
- \$3,530 from Teachers Credit Union for the Purdue Singers

The following are Fundraisers being held at JGHS:

- ❖ Weightlifting Club Lift-a-thon, March 4, 2020 through March 20, 2020
- ❖ Softball – Discount Cards being sold April 1, 2020 through April 22, 2020
- ❖ Freshman Class T-Shirt Sales, March 10, 2020 through May 30, 2020
- ❖ League of Extraordinary Falcons, Port-a-Pit ticket sales, April 10, 2020 through May 8, 2020
- Congratulations to Zack Szuba, Ariel Tysver, Bradley Hardwick, and Stella Greathouse for their outstanding performance on the Americanism and Government exam.
- On February 8, 2020, members of the John Glenn Choral Department traveled to Penn High School for the ISSMA solo and ensemble contest. Medal winners are:
 - Bronze: Treble Ensemble of First Edition
 - Silver: Soloists: Sara Henry, Makayla Klingensmith, Gabriel Medich, and Emma Schalliol
 - Gold: Treble Ensemble of Rhythm Express, Mixed Ensemble of Rhythm Express, Soloists: Izzy Awald, Tatum Carrasco, Evan Clanton, Ian Clanton, Caleb Cripe, Kennedy Hayden, Luke Lemert, and Meg Potter.
 - Qualifying to participate in state contest on February 22 are:
 - Soloists: Evan Clanton, Ian Clanton, and Luke Lemert and;
 - Treble Ensemble of Rhythm Express: Kayla Kerckhove, Jordan Keeley, Cami Ennis, Jillian Clark, Jenna LeRose, and Aleaha Ziola.
- Congratulations to Band students who earned medals at ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble Contest on February 29, 2020. Students in John Glenn Schools earned 19 Gold medals with Distinction and 20 Gold medals. Those students earning medals at the ISSMA contest include:

Ivan Alvarez	Kraig Alvarez	Connor Arick
Bobby Blankenmyer	Eric Blankenmyer	Wyatt Carteaux
Ian Clanton	Jose Diaz	Corey Dillion
Donivan Donihue	Keegan Donlon	Abbie Elsing
Connor Fort	Sadie Walker	Mackenzie Werntz
Trace Gibson	Brad Hardwick	Ryleigh Kepperling
Ian Knowlton	Josh Knowlton	Cassie VanOverberghe
Jenna LeRose	Stuart MacKenzie	Izzy Matthews
Daniel Perez	Kevin Rivera	Gabby Smith
Anabelle Stremme	Joey Valentiny	Rebecca Dillion
- On March 6, 2020, the Jazz Bands participated in the ISSMA Jazz Contest at LaPorte High School. Jazz Band A participated in the highest level, Group I, earning a Gold Rating with Distinction. Jazz Band B participated in the Group III, earning a Gold Rating with Distinction. Outstanding soloists were Stuart MacKenzie, Joey Valentiny, Hayden Franklin, and Donivan Donihue.
- During the recent speech sectionals, Elisabeth Klinedinst earned her qualification to the state speech tournament. Sydney Worthington also had a great speech weekend competing. Both girls helped John Glenn finish 6th in sectionals.

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve donations and fundraisers as presented and Curt Pletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – February 18, 2020 – Regular Session
2. Approve Claims – 258-338
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. William Morton Principal, John Glenn High School
- b. Lisa Morris Elementary Teacher, North Liberty Elementary School (39 years of service)
- c. Jennifer Moore Special Education Teacher, John Glenn High School
- d. Cole Seward Math Teacher, John Glenn High School
- e. Akil Karim Boys’ Golf Assistant Coach, John Glenn High School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Kayla Haygood Maternity Leave Sub, North Liberty Elementary School
- b. Damon Groves 7B Girls' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- c. Douglas Matthys 8B Girls' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- d. Erin Sarber Girls' Track Head Coach, Urey Middle School
- e. Sean Carlin Girls' Track Assistant Coach, Urey Middle School
- f. David Lichtenbarger Boys' Track Head Coach, Urey Middle School
- g. Austin Faust Boys' Track Assistant Coach, Urey Middle School
- h. David Guseilla ½ pay for 6B Girls' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary School

4. Family Medical Leave of Absence (FMLA) Requests – Employees 1050, 3244, and 4488

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve consent agenda items 1 - 4 and Curt Pletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Two Overnight Trips for Falcon Pride Marching Band and Jazz Band Students

Mr. Nathanael Sudduth, Director of Bands, requested permission to take the Falcon Pride Marching Band to Indianapolis on May 23 to 24, 2020, to participate in the official Indy 500 Parade on Saturday, May 23, 2020 in downtown Indianapolis. In addition, Mr. Sudduth requested an overnight stay for Jazz Band members to perform at the National Blues Museum over the weekend of April 17 – 19, 2020. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve two overnight trips for the Falcon Pride Marching Band on May 23 to 24, 2020 to Indianapolis, Indiana, and for the Jazz Bands on April 17 to 19, 2020, to St. Louis, Missouri. Bob Borlik seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

2. Approve Purchase over \$10,000 for Two (2) Special Purpose Buses and One (1) Extended 78-Passenger School Bus - \$206,916

Marie Fansler, Director of Transportation, requested approval for the purchase of two special purpose, 14-passenger buses from Midwest Transit Equipment for \$107,936 and a 78-passenger, gas-powered bus for \$98,980. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase of two special-purpose buses and one 78-passenger bus from Midwest Transit Equipment company for a total of \$206,916. Dennis Holland seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- Mr. Winchell announced the Indiana Department of Education's school grades for John Glenn School Corporation. Urey Middle School received a "B", Walkerton Elementary, North Liberty Elementary, and John Glenn High School each earned an "A". The Corporation earned an "A" as well.
- Mr. Winchell provided to the Board copies of the Phase 2 Facilities Audit prepared by Barton-Coe-Vilamaa for each school building.
- Mr. Winchell noted he had sent an email to all parents highlighting guidelines for staying healthy.

2. Conference Requests

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

No comments were shared at this meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 7, 2020 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Christian Mattix called the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held for School Board Training. The executive session began at 7:50 p.m. and ended at 8:35 p.m. No other business was discussed.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
