

School Board Meeting – October 6, 2015

Regular & Executive Session

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. to discuss results of Collective Bargaining. No other business was discussed; the meeting began at 6:05 p.m. and ended at 6:55 p.m.

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 October 6, 2015, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Curt Pletcher, Bill Groves and Janice Ryan. Tom McCormick and Bob Borlik were absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and eight observers were also present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Mr. Tim Davis, Walkerton Elementary Principal, thanked the WES PTA and Mrs. LuAnn Malstaff for their efforts with the Fall Book Fair. Students and staff at WES were recognized for putting together 20 Scarecrows that were placed on display all over town. WES recently held “Penny Wars” to raise money for the “Helping Our Friends in Need” account and a total of \$1,111.60 was raised. The WES Volleyball Tournament will be held Saturday, October 10th, at 9:00 a.m. The WES Homecoming Prince was Mr. Riley Ludington, son of Tim and Jessica Ludington; and WES Homecoming Princess was Kercklyn Miller, daughter of Bryan and Tricia Miller. Mrs. Glenda Smith and her kitchen staff were recognized in the South Bend Tribune for having 13 perfect inspections by the St. Joseph County Health Department. Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Morton and Mr. Winchell for a wonderful weekend during Falloween. The WES PTA was represented by Ben’s Pretzels and were able to make a profit of \$1,210 after making a donation to the Scholarship fund. Mr. Davis asked the board to accept a donation of one wheel chair from the North Liberty American Legion.

The Liberty Fire Department, along with Alan Albright and Bob Litteral, was recognized for visiting the classrooms and displaying their fire trucks for Fire Safety Day October 6 and 7, 2015. The North Liberty Police Chief, Mike Sawdon, and area departments visited the school for Serve and Protect Day on October 9, 2015. Title I Camp / Swoop Family Night, held on September 17, 2015, was well attended. Parents and Students roasted marshmallows, sang songs by the campfire, and read books in the dark. Amy Weiss, the Title I staff, along with many participating staff members, were thanked for coordinating the event. Mr. Romer submitted to the Board a survey from the parents concerning the effectiveness of the family night.

Mr. Mark Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, reported that Urey Middle School received a donation from Falcon 500 in the amount of \$75.00 to be used by the Media Center in their A.R. Point Store. Mr. Maudlin recognized Mrs. Giese and her cafeteria staff for receiving a perfect score from the Health Department during their first inspection of the school year. Congratulations to 7th graders, Sydney Rozinski and Matthew Moore, and 8th graders, Khori Barker and Ariel Tsyver, for being named August Students of the Month. The following students were “Caught Doing Good” for the month of September: Dalton Ankin, Joseph Cartwright, Ethan Caverley, Jade Janssen, Seja Lang, Carson Matz, Aiden McMahan, Andres Medina, Abigail Neff, Emma Shoue and Eden Williams. Students who are “Caught Doing Good” receive a reward of pizza and pop for lunch. The Urey Middle School Basket Raffle and Washer Toss Game were successful again this year bringing in a total of \$2,182.25. Urey staff members, parents, students, and community businesses who donated basket items, pop, and their time, were recognized for contributing to the successful

fundraiser. The following vendors donated to the Falloween Basket Raffle booth and Washer Toss Game booth: All Weather Tent Rental - 20x20 tent rental - \$100.00 value; Village Supply, Inc., LaPorte – Washers for the Washer Toss Game; Coca Cola – 10 cases of 2 liter bottles of pop for the Washer Toss Game - \$200.00 value; BOLD Designs – basket items - \$175.00 value; Lisa Vukovits (EarthSticks) – basket items - \$125.00 value; Clean Rite Cleaning Services, Inc. – basket items - \$100.00 value; Reese Awards – basket items - \$75.00 value; Greg Smith – Totem Pole for basket raffle - \$75.00 value. NJHS students and their sponsor, Mrs. Jill Groves, and Student Council students and their sponsor, Mrs. Donia Hudgen, were thanked for their donations to the basket raffle, working the UMS booths, and for their participation in the Falloween parade. Recognition was given to the Urey staff, Mr. Gerry Brown, and the Urey Athletic Department for their generous donations to the basket raffle. Parents and students donated 284 two- liter bottles of pop for the Washer Toss game. Mr. Maudlin gave special recognition to Mrs. Debi Johnson for coordinating the basket raffle. Mrs. Johnson organizes, collects and builds every basket that UMS raffles. Without her dedication to this project, it would not be a success.

In high school athletics, Ashley Burnett received All NIC Honorable Mention and Anna Schmeltz received NIC Two-Team All-Conference.

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the recognitions and donations as presented, and Dennis Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 3

1. Approve Minutes – September 15, 2015 – Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – 1222 - 1320
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. Brad Schmeltz Assistant Varsity and JV Boys' Golf Coach, John Glenn High School
- b. Kaitlin Cassady 6th Grade Volleyball Coach, North Liberty Elementary School
- c. Melissa Knizner Before & After Care Aide, Walkerton Elementary School
- d. Theresa Rowley Custodian, John Glenn High School
- e. Katie Jesswein Instructional Aide/Temporary Maternity Leave Sub, Urey Middle School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Justin Ritter Marching Band Instructor, John Glenn High School
- b. Diane Deel Maternity Leave Substitute, Urey Middle School
- c. Christine Burdick Instructional Assistant, Urey Middle School
- d. Dara Goodlink Technology Club Sponsor, Urey Middle School
- e. Jennifer Traub 6th Grade Volleyball Coach, North Liberty Elementary School
- f. Douglas Matthys Freshman Girls' Basketball Coach, John Glenn High School
- g. Matt Pearish Custodian, John Glenn High School

Bill Groves made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 3, and Janice Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing of 2016 Budget
 - a. General Fund
 - b. Debt Service Fund
 - c. Exempt Debt Service Fund
 - d. Exempt Retirement/Severance Bond
 - e. Capital Projects Plan and Capital Projects Fund
 - f. Transportation Fund and Transportation Levy Appeal

- g. Bus Replacement Plan and Bus Replacement Fund
- h. Rainy Day Fund

This is a statutory process as required by the State of Indiana. It is necessary to hold a public hearing for each of the funds for the 2016 budget. The public hearing was opened by President Curt Pletcher to allow patrons the opportunity to provide feedback. No feedback was received and the public hearing was closed.

2. Approve Resolution to Adopt the 2016 Capital Projects Fund Plan

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the resolution to adopt the 2016 Capital Projects Fund Plan, and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

3. Approve Resolution to Adopt the 2016 Bus Replacement Plan

Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the resolution to adopt the 2016 Bus Replacement Plan, and Janice Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

4. Approval of the JGEA/JGSC Master Teacher Contract 2015-2016

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the JGEA/JGSC Master Teacher Contract for the 2015-2016 school year, and Bill Groves seconded the motion. A short discussion was held before the motion passed with a five to zero vote.

5. Approve Construction Fund Affidavit - \$9,276

This affidavit request is part of the John Glenn High School Building Corporation Bond Refinance Program. The affidavit requests a payment from Regions Bank of \$9,276 for reimbursement of expenses for educational furniture. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the Construction Fund Affidavit for \$9,276, and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Richard Reese, Superintendent, updated the Board on the progress being made on the practice football and soccer fields. Topsoil and irrigation will be added soon, followed by seeding. All progress seems to be on schedule at this time.

Mr. Reese also reported on the recent ISBA State Conference which he attended with several Board Members. Mr. Reese stated that there were great sessions offered, filled with valuable information.

2. Conference Requests

3. Conference Report

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Jeff Johnson reminded fellow Board Members of the upcoming ISBA Regional Meeting to be held on October 21, 2014 at Christo's in Plymouth.

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 20, 2015 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Curt Pletcher called the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

_____ PRES.

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