

## **School Board Meeting – December 6, 2016 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 December 6, 2016, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Tom McCormick, Dennis Holland, Janice Ryan, Curt Pletcher, and Bob Borlik. Bill Groves was absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and seven observers were also present.

### RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

The School Board was invited to Walkerton Elementary's annual Christmas program on Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. The WES Spell Bowl team placed third in their class at the November 17, 2016, Spell Bowl competition in North Liberty. Van Foresman was a perfect speller, while Sophie McLochlin and Olivia Foresman scored near perfect (missed one word). Members are as follows: fourth graders Nina Foresman, Olivia Foresman, Brianna Wolff, and Michaela Hurford; fifth graders Matthew Chaffin, Blake Temple, Emma Knowlton, Katleyn Vermilyer, and Hunter Redlin; sixth graders Van Foresman, Sophie McLochlin, Sadie Walker, and Abby Elsing. The Summer Reading Program will be hosting a "Cookies with Santa" Opportunity on Wednesday, December 21, 2016, for all students who meet their reading minutes' requirement. The Board was asked to accept the following donations to Walkerton Elementary: \$25 from Dawn and Ryan Groves for the Media Center, and a Christmas tree from Charman Dreesen and J&K Christmas Tree Farm. The WES Adopt-a-Family Program adopted 31 families this year, which included 77 students. WES also collected items from students, staff and community members for victims of the fire devastation in Tennessee.

Mr. Randy Romer, North Liberty Elementary Principal, asked the Board to accept the following donations Tri Kappa, \$50 to the Robotics Club and \$50 to the Lucky Shamrocks Mentoring program; and Bert and Dorothea Solymosi, \$100 to the Robotics Club. The North Liberty VFW Patriots Pen Essay Contest selected three sixth grade winning students out of 14 entries. The winners were Sophie McLochlin, WES, Preston Richard, NLES, and Mia Hooten, NLES. Mr. Romer thanked Mr. Pat Crone and Mrs. Rachel Kaser for their support in making this activity meaningful to the students. Cindi Clawson, from WNDU, read to North Liberty fourth through sixth grade students on November 29, 2016, as part of the "Read Across Michiana" Marathon. The NLES Spell Bowl team participated at the November 17, 2016, spell bowl competition and Mr. Romer recognized Michele and Amy Weiss, Cathy VanDuyne, Pat Braun, Jeniece Bogard and the NLES PTO for their efforts in making the spell bowl event run smoothly. Student participants were: Cameron Gill, Aden Johnson, Matt Ciula, Ben Katowich, Aiden Swank, Hudson Doyle, Olivia Limerick, Ethan Craft, Logan Bryant, Jackson Humphrey, and Avery Franklin (Near Perfect Spellers). Mr. Romer invited the board to several upcoming holiday performances which include the sixth grade cadet band, and well as music performances by kindergarten through third grade. In closing, Mr. Romer announced the NLES Choir will perform for SAPA during their lunch banquet.

Mr. Mark Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, thanked Urey students and their parents for donating 551 toys to the Urey Student Council Toy Drive this year. All of the toys will be donated to local children through the Walkerton Santa's Workshop. Mr. Maudlin recognized the Urey 7th grade basketball team for winning the LaVille Shootout on December 3, 2016, at LaVille. The Urey Falcons beat Winamac in the first game with a 60-18 victory and grabbed the Shootout title with a 58-31 win over LaSalle. The 7th grade Urey Falcons are now 9-1 on the season winning their last eight games in a row.

The Urey Band and Choirs will perform in their annual Holiday concert on December 7, 2016. Mr. Maudlin invited board members to the performance at the high school auditorium for the 6:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. concert.

The Board was asked to accept several donations to John Glenn High School. Donations to the Theatre include \$100 from JMS Insurance, \$20 from the Heying Family, \$50 from William Morton, \$50 from Impact Ministries, \$250 from Tom and Tish McCormick, \$25 from Dogwood Designs, \$100 from Lori and Glenn Jacob, \$25 from Walkerton Tri Kappa, and \$50 from North Liberty VFW. Other donations include \$2,000 to band from the Band Boosters, and \$100 to Athletics from Chris and Emily Winchell. Walkerton Tri Kappa made \$25 donations to each of the following groups: Aerial, Band, Choir, and Yearbook. In athletics, Kegan Shiflett was named Honorable Mention All-State Soccer at the annual ISCA meeting in Indianapolis. Kegan is the first Glenn player to be named 1st Team All District and Honorable Mention All-State. Kyannah Stull eclipsed the 1,000-point mark in her basketball career on Saturday, December 3, 2016. It was a night made even more special because her grandfather, who scored 1,000 points at Tyner High School from 1960-62, was there to present her a special ball. Kyannah also scored 46 points in that game, which is a girls' basketball and gym record. Varsity and JV Girls Basketball gave back to needy families on Thanksgiving by raising money to purchase two complete dinners (\$180 for both) for the families. In FFA News, the following students competed in the Chapter Meeting Contest (Parliamentary Procedure) and placed first at District Contest November 15, 2016: Arden Scutchfield, Emalyne O'Bryant, Bryce Birk, Taylor Verhaeghe, Hannah McLochlin, Jason Gill, Faith Wright, Maria Denham, and Aubrey Bennett. These students will also be competing at the section contest December 6, 2016. The Crops Judging team took second overall in both the 4-H and FFA division at Area Contest on November 21, 2016. The second team consisting of Ean Holmgren, Ben Lambert, Savannah Orsund and Zach Richard placed 12th in the FFA division, while the Forestry team of Faith Wright, Marie Denham and Alexis Tillman placed third.

A motion to accept the donations as presented was made by Tom McCormick and seconded by Jeff Johnson. The motion passed with a six to zero vote.

#### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – November 15, 2016 – Regular Session
2. Approve Claims – # 1578 - 1665
3. Personnel Recommendations

##### *Retirements/Resignations*

- a. Kyle Amor 8<sup>th</sup> Grade A-Girls' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- b. Morgan Mungia Before and After Aide, Walkerton Elementary School

##### *Appointments/Transfers*

- a. Heidi May 8<sup>th</sup> B-Boys' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- b. Rachel Kaser 7<sup>th</sup> B-Boys' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- c. Jay Walter 6<sup>th</sup> B-Boys' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary School
- d. Avalon Minker 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Cheer Coach, Walkerton Elementary School
- e. Brea Klingerman Varsity Assistant Softball Co-Coach, John Glenn High School

#### 4. Transfer Tuition

With the addition of the students listed below, the transfer-in student count is now at 386.

Vada Kennedy NLES/6  
Joshua Hudson NLES/4  
Genesis Riley JGHS/9

A motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 4 as presented was made by Janice Ryan and seconded by Dennis Holland. The motion passed with a six to zero vote.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 1. 2017-2018 Corporation Calendar

Mr. Richard Reese, Superintendent, provided to the Board two versions of the proposed 2017-2018 school calendar. Mr. Reese told the Board he did not expect a decision on the 2017-18 calendar at this meeting, but rather asked for feedback from the board before the next meeting. Mr. Reese noted that he preferred the "Version 1" calendar, which has Teacher Orientation on Monday, August 14, 2017, and classes starting on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. One day was taken off of Fall Break to allow the Tuesday start date, which now places Fall Break on October 26 and 27, 2017. Mr. Reese stated that everything else on the calendar is similar to the 16-17 calendar, especially in the second semester. The 17-18 calendar will have a two-week winter break, one week for spring break, and five scheduled snow days. The Board will vote on the 2017-2018 school calendar at the December 20, 2016 school board meeting.

## REPORTS

### 1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Reese shared with the Board information concerning the inaugural meeting of the John Glenn Education Foundation held on November 30, 2016. Mr. Reese noted that board members were elected, the mission and vision statements were selected, and an air of camaraderie was shared by all in attendance.

Mr. Reese invited board members to the Administration Office Holiday Open House on December 14, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

2. Conference Requests
3. Conference Report

## BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mr. Reese asked the board to consider rescheduling the January board meetings. Mr. Reese proposed canceling the first and third Tuesday meetings and hold one meeting for January on the 10<sup>th</sup>. A short discussion was held before the board unanimously agreed to change the January board meetings to one meeting on January 10, 2017.

Mr. Jeff Johnson reminded board members of the ISBA School Law Seminar on December 9, 2016, and the ISBA New Board Member Seminar on February 9, 2017.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 20, 2016 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

## ADJOURNMENT

Bob Borlik called the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held to discuss job performance evaluations of individual employees. No other business was discussed. The executive session started at 7:45 p.m. and was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

PRES.

SEC'Y.