

School Board Meeting – November 7, 2017 Regular & Executive Session

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held to discuss Collective Bargaining. No other business was discussed. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Dennis Holland, Curt Pletcher, Christian Mattix, Bill Groves, and Janice Ryan. Richard Reese, Superintendent, Mark Maudlin and Tom Bendy were also present. The executive session began at 6:35 p.m. and ended at 7:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – 7:07 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 7:07 p.m. on November 7, 2017, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Dennis Holland, Curt Pletcher, Christian Mattix, Bill Groves, and Janice Ryan. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and thirteen observers were also present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Mr. Tim Davis, Walkerton Elementary Principal, announced that the WES Spell Bowl team will travel to North Liberty on Thursday, November 16 to compete in the Elementary version of the Hoosier Spell Bowl. The Summer Reading Program held their second Tyner IOOF Fish Fry on Friday, November 3. This event was well attended with an estimated profit of \$2,100. The Fifth and Sixth Grade Fall Basketball Lock-In will be held on Friday, November 17, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mr. Ryan Reese and Mr. Jay Walter are organizing this event. On October 31, Mrs. Snyder's preschool students, all three kindergarten classes, and Ms. Mackowiak's students, walked to Miller's Merry Manor to participate in the annual Trick-or-Treat event with the residents. Mr. Davis recognized Shelby Gibson, Brad Schmeltz, Jeanna White and Becky Bolze for installing a new adjustable basketball hoop in the gym, which provides the ability to lower the hoop so children can be taught the proper way to shoot and be successful right away. In closing, Mr. Davis provided the first nine-weeks honor roll to the Board for review, and asked the Board to accept the following donations: \$1,311.50 from Troy Dillon and VFW Auxiliary, Post 50 for the Emergency Children's Fund; and \$3,956.67 from WES PTA to grade levels from the 2017 Fun Fair Profits. Falcon 500 donated \$100 for WES' Fifth Grade movie and \$88.75 for a new basketball hoop.

Mr. Randy Romer, North Liberty Elementary Principal, asked the Board to accept the following donations: Falcon 500, \$20 toward scientific calculators; and VFW Auxiliary of VFW Post No 1954, \$1,311.50 towards Children's Emergency Fund and School Lunches. Mr. Romer noted that Title I Family Night, on October 17, was very well attended. Students and family enjoyed many craft activities, while Amy Weiss, Title I Aides, and several teachers supervised those activities. Students and staff celebrated Red Ribbon Week on October 23 through 25. Mrs. Melanie Heiser taught lessons in each classroom, hosting a coloring contest with three student winners from each classroom selected by the Red Ribbon committee. Winners are Emma Ernsberger, Steven Valentiny, Sophie Minnick, Zach Litteral, Trinity Wallace, and Jeff Lewis. In closing, Mr. Romer noted that Mrs. Houston and Sixth Grade Student Council members Michael Braun, Carter Dupont, Emma Ernsberger, Rylee Johnson, Eliana Lang, Olivia Limerick, Ava Leslie, Zachary Litteral, Brady Miller, Chase Miller, Marshall Platz, Logan Richie, Luke Rice, Sophia Romer, Joey Shoue, and Hannah Thomas are conducting the NLES Community Food Drive through November 10, 2017. A list of honor roll students was presented to the Board for review.

Mr. Mark Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, congratulated 8th graders Stephanie Diaz and Blake Malstaff, and 7th graders Madyson Gross and Preston Richard for being named Urey Middle School November Students of the Month. Urey Middle School received the following donations to be used toward Business Club/Student Activities: Teachers Credit Union, \$850 for Spell Bowl Sponsor and Student Activities; Dick and Cathy Reese, \$250; Palmer Funeral Homes, \$250; Metal Building Maintenance, \$100; Mr. and Mrs. David McKee, \$100; Kappa Kappa Kappa Inc., Zeta Pi, North Liberty, \$100; Modern Door Corporation, \$50; and Subway/Dan Chamberlin, five coupons for six-inch subs. Mr. Maudlin congratulated members of the UMS Spell Bowl team and Coach Wendy Peters on advancing to the state competition at Purdue, West Lafayette, on Saturday, November 11, 2017. UMS was 1st in Class 3 in the state after district competition, with 60 out of 72 words spelled correctly. Members of the Spell Bowl team include Zach Banazak, Andrew Carlin (perfect speller), Tatum Carrasco (near perfect speller), Van Foresman, Jackson Humphrey (near perfect speller), Ira Indeikina (perfect speller), Alex Kaser, Sophie McLochlin (near perfect speller), Preston Richard, and Morgan Tibbs. The following students were “Caught Doing Good” during the month of October and enjoyed a reward of pizza and pop for lunch: Michael Barnes, Jack Buckner, Devon Craft, Caden Czuk, Karlea Dominiack, Alexandra Emerick, Madyson Gross, David Harvey-Boze, Jake Herndon, Mariayah Higbee, Madilynn Hudspeth, Karah Kretchmer, Braxton Leed, Ezekiel Marshall, Miracle Miller, Daniel Perez and Haley Buford.

Mr. Will Morton, John Glenn High School Principal, asked the Board to accept donations from Adam Tein, \$20 for Theatre; Dave Sabones, \$50 for Theatre; Dale and Keri Clark, \$20 for Theatre; Falcon 500, \$20 for Track; Falcon 500, \$20 for Boys’ Soccer; Polygon, \$5000 for Falloween 17-18; Metal Building Maintenance, \$50 for Theatre; Children's Music Workshop, \$50 for Theatre; Anonymous, \$200 for Bowling Club; NL Tri Kappa, \$150 for Theatre; Impact Campus Ministries, \$100 for Theatre; and Aaron and Melissa Williams, \$20 for Theatre. The Falcon Pride performed at Semi-State on October 28 but unfortunately did not qualify to move on to State competition. The band, along with all the adult leaders and parent volunteers pulled together and made it a season of which Mr. Fortlander would have been proud. In athletics, All-NIC Team Football honors were awarded to Collin Barker, Strong Safety – 1st Team All-NIC South Division; Trevor Weiss, Punter - 1st Team All-NIC South Division; Jake Morris – 2nd Team All-NIC South Division; and Evan Dreibelbeis – Honorable Mention All-NIC South Division. In Volleyball, Riley Groves was awarded 2nd Team All-NIC. The John Glenn FFA attended the 90th FFA Convention, where students attended workshops, leadership sessions, and heard from keynote speakers. Students also attended a hypnotist show and a Rascal Flatts concert.

Dennis Holland made a motion to approve recognitions as presented and Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – October 17, 2017 – Regular and Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – #1455 - 1524
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. Erin Sarber Girls’ Head Track Coach, Urey Middle School
- b. Katherine Dreessen 7th Grade Volleyball Coach, Urey Middle School
- c. Kayla Golden JV Head Softball Coach, John Glenn High School
- d. Leland Travis Social Studies Teacher, John Glenn High School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Stephanie Reynolds College and Career Counseling Coach, John Glenn School Corp.
- b. Nancy Buford Substitute Calling, John Glenn School Corp.
- c. Christine Corbett Before and After Care Aide, North Liberty Elementary School
- d. Kim Bolze Before and After Care Aide, North Liberty Elementary School
- e. Brenna Egendoerfer Before and After Care Aide, North Liberty Elementary School
- f. Jeannie Podell Weight Room Supervisor, John Glenn High School

g. John Dupont Freshman Boys' Basketball Coach, John Glenn High School

4. Transfer Requests

The following students have applied for an out-of-district transfer request: Sarah Botset, UMS/7; Lylian Courtney, NLES/3; Tahlia Pennington, NLES/K; Xavier Stoner, WES/4; and Layne VanVorst, NLES/2.

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items one through four and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a seven to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appoint Library Board Member to the St. Joseph Public Library

The St. Joseph Public Library Board asked the School Board to appoint Terry Rensberger, in a joint appointment with Union-North United School Corporation, to the St. Joseph County Public Library Board. This appointment will be for four years, beginning on January 1, 2018. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the appointment of Terry Rensberger to the St. Joseph County Public Library for a four year term beginning January 1, 2018. Bob Borlik seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

2. Approve Overnight Stay for John Glenn FFA on December 8, 2017

Mrs. Lynnette Markley asked the board for permission to take a group of FFA students to the Rossville Crops and Forestry Invitational on Friday, December 8, 2017 in Lafayette, Indiana. The State Competition begins Saturday, December 9 at 7:30 a.m. Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the FFA overnight trip to Lafayette, Indiana on December 8, 2017. Bill Groves seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a seven to zero vote.

3. Approve Early Graduation Requests for Five Students

Mr. Morton introduced to the Board three of the students requesting early graduation. Those students were Brene Osenbaugh, Clayton Humphrey, and Nolan Heying. Dakota Grossman and Jamie Freeman were not present at the meeting and the Board asked to review their requests at the November 21 meeting, pending attendance of those two students. Christian Mattix made a motion to approve the early graduation requests for Brene Osenbaugh, Clayton Humphrey, and Nolan Heying. Curt Pletcher seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a seven to zero vote.

4. Approve JGEA/JGSC Master Teacher Contract effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019

This is a two-year agreement with JGEA, agreeing the starting teacher pay would be \$36,000. Other major changes and revisions include changing Spanish Club Sponsor to Robotics Coach in the Elementary, increasing webmaster pay at all buildings by 5%, increasing High School Vocal Music Director by 5%, and adding AP/CE Coordinator (only paid if no planning period assigned) at \$1,875. A short discussion was held before Bill Groves made a motion to approve the JGEA/JGSC Master Teacher Contract, effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. Janice Ryan seconded the motion and the motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Reese provided to the Board a list of recent Teacher Grant recipients. Those individuals include Kurt Foster, Kay Freehauf, Dara Goodlink, Dawn Marks, Dyan Phillips, Donna Rummel, Leslie Stec, Jennifer Traub, and Amy Weiss. Mr. Reese noted that the total of these first semester grants is \$6,198.52. Second semester grants will be awarded by the first of the year, with \$5,801.48 available to teachers.

Mr. Reese also noted the upcoming John Glenn Education Foundation Gala, which will be held at Swan Lake on February 17, 2017. Tickets will be \$75 per couple and will include dinner, dancing, and a silent auction.

2. Conference Requests

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Jeff Johnson provided highlights from the recent ISBA Fall Meeting. Discussion included recent legislation concerning mandatory school start dates.

NEXT MEETING DATE: November 21, 2017 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Johnson called the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
