

School Board Meeting – February 4, 2020 Regular 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 February 4, 2020, at John Glenn High School. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Christian Mattix, Dennis Holland, and Curt Pletcher. Dan Drotar and Bill Groves were absent. Christopher Winchell, Superintendent, and 13 observers were also present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Walkerton Elementary Recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- \$75 from Falcon 500 for Cheer outfits
- \$131 from an anonymous donor to help a family with lunch money
- \$80 from Texas Roadhouse Give Back Night for Summer Reading
- Mr. Davis announced that the “Children’s Emergency Fund” was used to provide assistance to a family in need. This fund is supported by donations from Troy Dillon.
- Mrs. Jennifer Medich spoke to 6th Graders on February 3, 2020 about careers in the Arts.
- The woodwind quartet of Chloe Kruse, Delilah Phelan, Maggie Walker, and Nora Guseilla earned a Gold rating at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble contest on Saturday, February 1, 2020.
- The annual PTA Science Fair was held on January 31, 2020. There were 33 entries in this year’s fair. Staff Award winners were: Erin Glennon, Maddox Hernandez, Jake Stanley, Lyric Rivera, Belle Vickers and Colton Vermilyer. Judges Choice award winners were: Francis Hartz, Chole Strand, Anna Knowlton, Kennedy Miller, and Emma Dudeck and Ada Fairchild. Moving on to Regionals on February 29, 2020 are Hayley Chapman, Julian Kellems, Lincoln Reese, Izzy Knowlton, and Josie Knowlton. Marie Knowlton was recognized for organizing the Science Fair for the past 10 years.

North Liberty Elementary School Recognitions:

- Mr. Romer congratulated students that participated in the North Liberty Science Fair. Best in Show went to Caleb Martin, 4th grade. The 1st Place Winner was Mason Jackson, 4th grade. and Regional Winners going to the University of Notre Dame Science Fair are Jesse Duval, 4th grade and Tanner Tropp, 4th grade.
- The NLES PTO sponsored a Winter Wonderland Dance, which was a huge hit with families enjoying a fun and lively atmosphere. Mr. Romer thanked PTO parents and staff for sponsoring this engaging family event.
- Panda Express, located on Ireland Road, sent a few of their workers to North Liberty Elementary to visit third graders. As a community outreach, Panda Express teaches students about the Chinese New Year, or Lunar New Year, that started on January 25, 2020. Mrs. Hess’ 3rd grade students were able to learn about history of the Chinese New Year, the celebrations that people around the world observe to celebrate the New Year, as well as sample different Chinese foods. Third grade teachers also compared and contrasted the Chinese New Year with the American New Year celebration. Some classrooms also made Chinese lanterns and red envelopes to celebrate.

Urey Middle School Recognitions:

- ❖ Fundraiser: Urey Student Council will be selling Candy Grams beginning February 3 through 14, 2020 for 50 cents each. Profits will be used for Student Council activities.
- Congratulations to 7th graders Daelyn Nance and Julian McMahan, and 8th graders Ava Leslie and Landon Johnson for being named December Students of the Month.
- The following students were “Caught Doing Good” and will be rewarded with a special lunch: Kyle Harbaugh, Emma Helmholtz-Dipert, Canyon King, Keyth Miller, Bryden Nystrom, and Alisha Smith.
- The second nine weeks/1st semester awards assemblies were held on Thursday, January 16 and Friday, January 17, 2020. The assembly presented awards to 146 seventh graders and 120 eighth graders for perfect attendance, honor roll, having no tardies, AR points, Student-of-the-Month, Caught Doing Good, Theater, and Spell Bowl.
- The Urey 7th grade class enjoyed a trip to the University of Notre Dame on Friday, January 31, 2020. While on the trip, students visited the Snite Museum, viewed a science/space program at the Digital Visualization Theater, enjoyed lunch in Jordan Hall, and served as forensic experts by solving a fictitious crime using DNA fingerprinting in the DNA Learning Center. Mrs. Beth Albright, Science Teacher, organized this trip for students.
- The Urey 8th grade students enjoyed Symphony Day at Urey Middle School on Friday, January 31, 2020. Members of the South Bend Symphony played two sets for students and introduced them to the sounds and different playing techniques for each of the instruments in their quintet. Students also enjoyed a special lunch in an elegantly prepared setting. Members of the Junior National Honor Society set up, tore down, and served lunch during the event.
- The following students earned medals at the ISSMA Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest on February 1, 2020 at Northwood High School:
 - Earning Gold Medals: Grace Hildreth, Emily Philson, Michael Swiger, Trenton Bajer, Ian McNeill, and Dakota Brown.
 - Earning Silver Medals: Nick Zablocki and Breeauna Carroll

John Glenn High School recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- \$20 from Steven and Donna Feldman for FFA
 - \$600 from Grace College for Band
 - \$150 from Roy and Dorothy Haywood for Drama
 - \$20 from Susan Houin for FFA
 - \$100 from Nicholas and Lisa Medich for Drama
 - \$100 from North Liberty Post 1954 for Drama
 - \$2,650 from R & B Car Company for Falloween
 - \$1,000 from St. Joseph County Lodge 155 FOP for Baseball
 - \$100 from St. Patrick’s Church for Choir
 - \$1, 200 value of Lab Supplies donated to the Science Department
- Donations to the John Glenn Scholarship Fund received in Memory of Lloyd Meyer:*
- \$50 from Philip and Denise Bauman
 - \$50 from Robert and Donna Borlik
 - \$25 from Brinkhoff Farms
 - \$75 from John Glenn High School
 - \$50 from William Hinga Jr. and Rebecca Hinga
 - \$150 from Keith Knepper Jr.
 - \$500 from the Arnold Meyer Trust
 - \$75 from Bernice Meyer and John Ramsay
 - \$30 from Dennis and Sarah Rippy
 - \$50 from Thomas and Michelle Rospopo
 - \$180 from Davis Selden and Julie Wallick
 - \$100 from Dennis and Deborah Soule

- \$50 from Clint and Paige Stevens
- \$25 from Wayne Trampe
- \$25 from John and Nancy Turner
- \$50 from Tyner United Methodist Church
- \$20 from Matt and Donna Zimmerman

Donations received to host the Purdue Glee Club Singers:

- \$1,000 from 1st Source Bank
- \$500 from Clear Focus Hedging
- \$300 from Richard and Shane Davisson
- \$500 from Thomas England
- \$50 from Main Street Real Estate
- \$300 from North Liberty Church of Christ
- \$100 from Payne Ventures Limited
- \$250 from Plymouth Foundry
- \$100 from Polygon
- \$50 from Tangles Salon
- \$250 from Van Overberghe Family
- Seven students recently earned Scholastic Writing Awards. Gold Award winners include Riley Humphrey, Kiarra Pranger, and Annabelle Stremme. These Gold Award winners will also be entered in the national contest.
- The Ariel Literary Magazine earned a rating of Superior from the NCTE REALM contest for last year's issue *Amidst Wildfires*. This is a two-level jump from the 2018 rating. Superior is just below the rating of Recommended for First Class or First Class, and no one from Indiana achieved that level. Current students on the Ariel staff include Kiarra Pranger, Annabelle Stremme, and Sway Reed. Art Teacher, Mrs. Vanissa Stoner, and her art students created the artwork featured in the magazine.
- John Glenn High School recently received a total of 38 awards from the Scholastic Fine Arts competition. Students earned 14 gold keys, 11 silver keys, and 13 honorable mentions, which demonstrate their excellence in visual arts. The Regional Scholastic Art and Writing Awards Committee receives work from students across eighteen counties, three being in Michigan. Of the thousands of entries submitted, approximately 450 are granted entrance into the official show at the South Bend Regional Museum of Art. John Glenn students will hold 38 of those coveted spots. The show opens February 1 and continues through March 1, 2020. All winners will be recognized at the Awards Ceremony held at the Century Center on February 9, 2020. Winners of the 2020 awards are as follows:
 - Gold Keys:
 - Cecilia Delinski
 - Stella Greathouse (2)
 - Trinity Hess (2)
 - Midnight Hummel
 - Kiarra Pranger
 - Salem Slater (3)
 - Allison Vandall (3)
 - Skyler Vermilyer
 - Silver Keys:
 - Delilah Allsop
 - Stella Greathouse
 - Trinity Hess
 - Jordan Keeley
 - Salem Slater (3)
 - Camryn Temple (3)
 - Leena Thomas
 - Honorable Mentions:

- Brennen Boley
 - Trinity Hess (3)
 - Jordan Keeley
 - Elisabeth Klinedinst
 - Salem Slater (5)
 - Annabelle Stremme
 - Grace Tibbs
- Trinity Hess and Salem Slater competed in a scholarship competition for the American Academy of Art in Chicago. Each student received a \$17,500 scholarship for the American Academy of Art.
 - Band students who recently earned medals at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest were recognized. Students earned a total of 55 Gold medals and 4 Silver medals. 37 ensemble members and 3 soloists earned their way to the ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble contest to be held on February 29. Those students earning medals at the ISSMA contest include:

Ivan Alvarez	Kraig Alvarez	Connor Arick
Bobby Blankenmyer	Eric Blankenmyer	Zach Brown
Wyatt Carteaux	Ian Clanton	Jose Diaz
Corey Dillion	Donivan Donihue	Keegan Donlon
Abbie Elsing	Connor Fort	Hayden Franklin
Trace Gibson	Brad Hardwick	Ryleigh Kepperling
Daniel Knabe	Ian Knowlton	Josh Knowlton
Jenna LeRose	Stuart MacKenzie	Izzy Matthews
Daniel Perez	Kevin Rivera	Gabby Smith
Anabelle Stremme	Matthew Tibbs	Joey Valentiny
Cassie VanOverberghe	Sadie Walker	Mackenzie Werntz
Ernest Villa		
 - The Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association presented a Victory Club Award to Coach John Nadolny at their annual banquet on January 19, 2020 in Indianapolis. Coach Nadolny won his 500th game during the 2019 season when the Falcons posted an 18-11 record during his 25th year of coaching high school baseball.
 - Special recognition was given to the Boys' Basketball Team for winning the TCU Bi-County Championship. The team has now won this tournament two years in a row. Rob Porter was named MVP of the Bi-County Tournament.

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 five to zero.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 5

1. Approve Minutes – January 14, 2020 – Regular Session, Board of Finance, and Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – 1 - 120
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. Cathy Music Teacher, North Liberty Elementary School
- Austin-Burnett Assistant Band Director, John Glenn High School
(29 years with John Glenn School Corporation, 35 years total experience)
- b. Josh Johnson Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School
- c. Marcia Klein Career Aide/National Honor Society Co-Sponsor, John Glenn High School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Gregg Goewert Principal, Urey Middle School
- b. Kyler Columbia 7A Girls' Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School
- c. Jennifer Traub Transfer from 5A Girls' to 6A Girls' Basketball Coach, North Liberty Elementary

- d. Kimberly Tokoly Transfer from 5B Girls' to 6B Girls' Basketball Coach, North Liberty Elementary
- e. Brian Laskowski Transfer from 6A Girls' to 5A Girls' Basketball Coach, North Liberty Elementary
- f. Jeff Timm Transfer from 6B Girls' to 5B Girls' Basketball Coach, North Liberty Elementary
- g. David Guseilla Transfer from 5A Girls' to 6A Girls' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary
- h. Ryan Reese Transfer from the 6A Girls' to the 5A Girls' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary
- i. Michele Jahr 5B Girls' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary
- j. Karen Maudlin High Ability Art Sponsor, Walkerton Elementary
- k. Tammy Career Aide, John Glenn High School
Monesmith-Bernth
- l. Kamryn Gorka Instructional Aide, Urey Middle School

4. Transfer Requests

There are 490 out-of-district student transfer requests for the 2019-2020 school year, including the following new request: Cayden Chalabis, JGHS, 9th grade.

5. FMLA Leave Requests – Employee #4990

Dennis Holland made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items one through five and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Early Release Date for the Galapagos Island Trip – March 19 to March 27, 2020

The John Glenn High School Science Department has planned a trip to the Galapagos Islands over Spring Break. Mrs. Kay Freehauf asked the Board to approve an early departure date of March 19, as their flight itinerary changed. Bob Borlik made a motion to approve the early departure date of March 19, 2020 for the student trip to the Galapagos Islands. Curt Pletcher seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

2. Approve Purchase over \$10,000 for Urey Middle School Kitchen - \$23,926.35

Mrs. Glenda Smith, Food Service Director, obtained three quotes to replace an old steamer and an old cook stove in the Urey Middle School Cafeteria. Mrs. Smith recommended purchasing from C & T Design and Equipment Company as they provided the lowest bid and they have worked with the John Glenn School Corporation on previous occasions. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase of a new steamer and cook stove for Urey Middle School from C & T Design and Equipment Company for \$23,926.35. Dennis Holland seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

3. Approve Administrative Contracts – Retroactive to July 1, 2019

Mr. Chris Winchell, Superintendent, explained this is a \$2,300 raise for all administrators listed, in line with what the teachers have also received, with the exception of Gregg Goewert. Mr. Goewert is beginning a new contract with the Corporation as of February 5, 2020. Mr. Winchell noted the list below is base salary only.

- Tom Bendy's new contract base pay will be \$86,368 with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.
- Chris Manering's new contract base pay will be \$86,573, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- Tim Davis's new contract base pay will be \$86,571, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- William Morton's new contract base pay will be \$99,896, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- Randy Romer's new contract base pay will be \$83,935, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- Andy Stegemiller's new contract base pay will be \$82,864, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- Eric Stephen's new contract base pay will be \$76,990, with a contract date of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.
- Gregg Goewert's new contract base pay will be \$82,000, with a contract date of February 5, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Curt Pletcher made a motion to approve administrator contracts as presented. Jeff Johnson seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- Senate Bill 425 made it out of Committee and passed the Senate vote today. Next, the bill will head to the House for a vote. Mr. Winchell remarked that 237 of the 245 out-of-district requests from families in the South Bend Community School Corporation are Greene Township residents. However, Mr. Winchell emphasized that the Greene Township de-annexation request is the responsibility of Greene Township and South Bend Community School Corporation to work out. Mr. Winchell reminded board members that John Glenn School Corporation would continue to take a neutral stance on Greene Township's campaign to leave the South Bend Community School Corporation.
- Mr. Winchell reminded Board members of the planned eLearning day on February 17. However, due to no cancelled days so far, the eLearning day will be postponed until further notice. School will not be in session on February 14 and 17, 2020.

2. Conference Requests

3. Conference Report

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 18, 2020 7:00 P.M. JGHS Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Christian Mattix called the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
