# School Board Meeting – July 21, 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 July 21, 2020, at the John Glenn High School Auditorium. Board members present in person were Jeff Johnson, Christian Mattix, Bill Groves, Dennis Holland and Dan Drotar. Bob Borlik attended the meeting virtually and Curt Pletcher was absent. Christopher Winchell, Superintendent, was present virtually, with one observer attending virtually and thirty-eight observers present in person.

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

JGSC received a \$500 donation/grant from the GMB Architecture + Engineering Advised Fund of the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area. This grant was used for the Food Service program. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the recognition and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of six to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, and Bill Groves voted yes.

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

- Approve Minutes May 19, 2020 Regular Session 1.
- Approve Claims 594 738 2.
- **Approve Personnel Recommendations**
- Transfer Student Requests

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d. Max Blevins

**Damon Groves** 

Joseph Stanley

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Retiren	nents/Resignations			
a.	Jerry Knepp	Regular Route Bus Driver, John Glenn School Corporation (15 years service)		
b.	Becky Lemert	Regular Route Bus Driver, John Glenn School Corporation		
c.	Lisa Sleek	Secretary to the Superintendent, John Glenn School Corporation		
d.	Dominique Schwenk	School Psychologist, John Glenn School Corporation		
e.	Morgan Eggleston	Instructional Aide and Boys' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary School		
f.	Jessica Stafford	Instructional Aide and Robotics Coach, North Liberty Elementary School		
g.	Lexia Pearish	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade B Team Volleyball Coach, Urey Middle School		
_		6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball Coach, Walkerton Elementary School		
h.	Jerrad Moore	Instructional Aide, Walkerton Elementary School		
		7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, Urey Middle School		
i.	Rebecca Matthews	Instructional Aide, North Liberty Elementary School		
j.	Katie Wikstrom	Special Needs Bus Aide, John Glenn School Corporation		
Appoin	tments/Transfers			
a.	Leslie Irish	Transfer from Special Education Teacher at NLES to Special Education		
		Teacher at JGHS		
b.	Pat Crone	Transfer from 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher to Guidance Counselor, NLES		
c.	Patricia Braun	Transfer from High Ability Teacher to 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, NLES		

Head Football Coach, Urey Middle School

Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School

Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School

g. Cristyn Messick Transfer from 7A to 8A Volleyball Coach, Urey Middle School Cross Country Coach, Urey Middle School

Katie Miser
 Celia Ennis
 Regular Route Driver, John Glenn School Corporation
 Amanda Gill
 Keri Burns
 Regular Route Driver, John Glenn School Corporation
 Special Needs Bus Aide, John Glenn School Corporation

m. Kristan King Secretary to the Superintendent, John Glenn School Corporation

## 4. Transfer Student Requests

We currently have 438 Out-of-District Transfer requests for the 2020 - 2021 school year, including the new requests listed below.

Kora Abair WES/Kindergarten WES/1st Grade Myles Baniewicz NLES/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Riley Bell NLES/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Emma Bryant NLES/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Elyse Bryant Adelyn Bryant NLES/Kindergarten Forrest Filley NLES/1st Grade NLES/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Elyssa Frick UMS/7<sup>th</sup> Grade Emily Frick JGHS/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Ethan Frick NLES/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Hailey Goble

Bailey Hesters WES/K

Molly Hostetler UMS/7<sup>th</sup> Grade NLES/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Jayden Hostetler NLES/4<sup>th</sup> Grade **Baleigh Lowery** Selah Nuner NLES/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Soeren Nuner NLES/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade NLES/1st Grade Sosie Nuner Hailey Orgill WES/5<sup>th</sup> Grade WES/Kindergarten Mackenzie Orgill WES/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Evan Packer JGHS/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Owen Packer Markease Patrick JGHS/9<sup>th</sup> Grade Elliott Racine NLES/Kindergarten JGHS/11th Grade Chesney Redmond JGHS/10<sup>th</sup> Grade **Bryson Reed** NLES/1st Grade Josiah Savill NLES/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camden Shafer NLES/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Jocelynn Shafer JGHS/9<sup>th</sup> Grade Trinity Tirotta **Tatum Trouer** NLES/Kindergarten NLES/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Lavne VanVorst NLES/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Noah VanVorst WES/1st Grade Wesson Wolak JGHS/9<sup>th</sup> Grade Nicholas Zablocki

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve consent agenda items 1 - 4 and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of six to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, and Bill Groves voted yes. Mr. Winchell highlighted the excellent service of our retirees.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approve Second Reading of the NEOLA Policies Revision Volume 32, Number 2

Mr. Winchell noted that school legal counsel, Mr. Bill Kaminski, reviewed and agreed with the proposed NEOLA revisions. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the Second Reading of the NEOLA Policies Revision Volume 32, Number 2, Dennis Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

2. Approve 2020 – 2021 School Lunch Prices

Glenda Smith, Food Service Director, provided documentation supporting that we will not be raising our meal prices for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Meal prices are will be as follows:

K-6: Breakfast \$1.30 Lunch \$2.107-12: Breakfast \$1.30 Lunch \$2.35Adults: Breakfast \$1.50 Lunch \$3.50

Jeff Johnson expressed pleasure that the prices will not be rising for the upcoming school year. Bill Groves made the motion to approve the 2020-2021 School Lunch Prices, and Dennis Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

3. Approve Textbook Rental Fees for WES, NLES, UMS, and JGHS

The Board was presented with the schedule of textbook rental fees for the 2020-2021 school year. Those fees are as follows:

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Kindergarten:
                       $131
                                         7<sup>th</sup> Grade:
                                                           $142.80 to $150.05 **
                                         8<sup>th</sup> Grade:
1<sup>st</sup> Grade:
                       $147
                                                           $117.05 to $170.00 **
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:
                                         9<sup>th</sup> Grade:
                                                           $86.15 **
                       $168
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:
                       $164
                                         10<sup>th</sup> Grade: $61.15 **
4<sup>th</sup> Grade:
                                         11<sup>th</sup> Grade: $68.74 **
                       $161
5<sup>th</sup> Grade:
                                         12<sup>th</sup> Grade: $57.15 **
                       $164
6<sup>th</sup> Grade:
                                         ** = Plus any additional specialty classes which may incur an
                       $155
                                               additional fee
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Bill Groves made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Textbook Rental Fees for WES, NLES, UMS and JGHS, Dennis Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

4. Approve Resolution for Suspension of School Board Policies Conflicting with Waivers or Extensions during COVID-19 Pandemic

Mr. Winchell noted that this resolution was provided by the ISBA, and recommended by Mr. Bill Kaminski, school legal counsel. Mr. Winchell explained that this is a blanket resolution to allow flexibility to deviate from policies in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, instead of changing polices now and then changing them back later. Bill Groves made a motion to approve Resolution for Suspension of

School Board Policies Conflicting with Waivers or Extensions during COVID-19 Pandemic and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

5. Approve Bleacher Purchase - \$176,835 from The Larson Equipment and Furniture Company

Chris Winchell, Superintendent, requested approval for the purchase of bleachers from The Larsen Equipment and Furniture Company for the John Glenn High School TCU Gymnasium. Mr. Winchell noted that he and his administration team have worked very hard to find good quality bleachers at a competitive price, while also ensuring quality of workmanship. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the Approve Bleacher Purchase of \$176,835 from The Larson Equipment and Furniture Company, and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

6. Approve WES/NLES and UMS Student and Athletic Handbooks

Mr. Winchell noted that the guidelines set forth by Mr. Bill Kaminski, school legal counsel, were followed to edit these handbooks. The proposed edits are similar to the high school handbook which was approved at a previous meeting. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the WES/NLES and UMS Student and Athletic Handbooks and Dan Drotar seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote. Roll Call was held to confirm the votes: Jeff Johnson voted yes, Dan Drotar voted yes, Dennis Holland voted yes, Christian Mattix voted yes, Bob Borlik voted yes and Bill Groves voted yes.

## **REPORTS**

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- Renovations to the high school gymnasium are underway. A low bid to remove the current bleachers from a local company allowed some savings, which provided for the purchase of new LED lighting in the gymnasium. This purchase will ultimately provide additional savings on energy costs. The current bleachers have been removed and the maintenance team is working to cut historic pieces from the gym floor to use as a possible future fundraiser. Installation of the new gym flooring will begin next week with an anticipated October delivery for the new bleachers. Alternate arrangements have been made for the beginning of the volleyball season with home matches being held at North Liberty Elementary School.
- Solar Project Update Interviews will begin the week of July 27<sup>th</sup> with two potential companies before the bidding process begins. This solar project will not only benefit the environment, but will also lower the corporation energy costs by approximately \$40,000 per year.
- 825 responses were received from the "back to school" survey sent out to parents. 78% of parents desire their children to go back to school on campus, 8% wish to return online and 14% are undecided.
- Highlights of the "Back to School" plan that was sent to parents on 7/20/2020 were shared with the Board and observers. Face coverings/masks will be required for all students and staff while they are on campus and school buses. The maintenance department is implementing a

plan to continually clean and sanitize high touch surfaces. Returning to school is a very fluid situation depending on the daily updates from the Health Departments, however Mr. Winchell reassured the Board and observers that he is continually communicating with the county Health Departments to ensure that all recommended guidelines are observed.

## **BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

Jeff Johnson announced his resignation from the John Glenn School Board of Trustees, effective July 26, 2020. He has accepted a position within the corporation. Christian Mattix, Board President, thanked Mr. Johnson for his dedication to the school corporation over the last 12 years.

NEXT MEETING DATE: August 4, 2020 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

#### ADJOURNMENT

Christian Mattix called the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

An executive session was held to discuss employee job performance. No other business was discussed. Dan Drotar, Bill Groves, Jeff Johnson, and Christian Mattix attended in person, while Bob Borlik attended virtually. The executive session began at 8:05 p.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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