School Board Meeting – August 1, 2023 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 August 1, 2023, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were Bob Borlik, Christine Carson, Jared Egger, Ryan Knowlton, Christian Mattix, and Todd McGaughey. Carissa Smith was absent. Superintendent Christopher Winchell and six observers were present.

DONATIONS & FUNDRAISERS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

John Glenn High School

Donations		
• Absolute Plumbing and Heating	\$500	Cross Country
oFalcon 500	\$100	Academic Super Bowl
	\$49.01	Girls Basketball
\circ G Pools	\$400	Cross Country
 Walkerton United Methodist Church 	\$1000	Drama
	\$1000	Choir
	\$1000	Band
○Gene and Marsha Reese Family Fund	\$1976	Girls Basketball

Mr. Ryan Knowlton made a motion to approve donations as noted above and Mr. Jared Egger seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public made comment at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1-4

- 1. Approve Minutes July 18, 2023 Regular Session
- 2. Approve Vouchers 7/12/2023 through 8/25/2023 for \$1,581,592.82
- 3. Approve Employee Recommendations

Appointments

- a. Katelyn Plencner Assistant Food Service Director, John Glenn School Corporation
- b. Band Camp Instructors
- 4. Approve Transfer Student Requests

To date we have 74 new out-of-district requests for the 2023-24 school year for a current total of 582 transfer students. The list with the most recent 37 requests were included for the Board to approve.

Mr. Jared Egger made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-4 and Mrs. Christine Carson seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Resolution to Transfer Amounts from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund in the amount of \$141,666.67

Mr. Winchell noted that this dollar amount has not increased since legislation changed in 2019. We have lived within our means and worked to reduce some of our operations costs. Mr. Todd McGaughey made a motion to approve Resolution to Transfer Amounts from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund in the amount of \$141,666.67 and Mr. Ryan Knowlton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

2. Approve Overnight Athletic and FFA Field Trips for the 2023-2024 School Year

Mr. Winchell reminded the Board that School Board Policy requires all overnight field trips to be approved by the board. Often times, these field trips come up quickly which doesn't allow the board to approve them prior to the trip happening. It is our practice to approve these types of field trips at the beginning of each school year which covers any trips from July 1st through June 30th. The principals will then report about any field trips at each meeting in their building recognitions for individual approval. This has worked very well for us. Mrs. Christine Carson made a motion to approve Overnight Athletic and FFA Field Trips for the 2023-2024 School Year and Mr. Jared Egger seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

REPORTS

- 1. Director of Learning Mr. Tim Davis
 - Mr. Davis reported the following:
 - We are very excited to get the school year started.
 - New teacher orientation will be held later this week for all teachers new to the John Glenn School Corporation.
 - We have been interviewing a lot of new substitute teachers which are greatly needed.
- 2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- Last meeting I reported briefly about some used buses that we have the opportunity to purchase. I am happy to report that they have passed the tests when examined by our mechanic as well as some bus drivers when they had the opportunity to test drive them. We have negotiated a price and at the next meeting, I will bring a formal resolution that Mr. Kaminski is drafting for your approval.
- As we are working on new buses, we are also working on new bus routes. As we anticipate the ٠ full annexation of Greene Township, we are working to expand our bus routes into Greene Township. We have had a pick up point at Sumption Prairie Church for the last few years and we hope to start transitioning to door-to-door pick-ups as well as the group stop locations we currently have. There are quite a few students who ride the bus from Sumption Prairie, do not actually live in Greene Township. As we work to provide the door-to-door pick-ups for the residents of Greene Township, we are closely examining what other group pick up stops might best work for our students and families. We came to the Board to approve the out of district stop in Greene Township a few years ago, and I anticipate that we will be bringing back an updated list for your approval. Mr. McGaughey asked if there has ever been a discussion about providing a bus stop in the Koontz Lake area for students who attend from the south. Mr. Winchell noted that generally we have avoided adding a bus stop in that area as we have a great working relationship with our neighboring school corporations and we don't want to do anything that may harm their enrollment numbers. What made the Greene Township a reality was the residents on the township continually reaching out to JGSC sharing their desire to join our corporation which is ultimately resulting in

the annexation. We have recently been hearing from the residents of the Crumstown area and will be looking at this area closely.

- We had a great response to our Open Bid Meeting where the interested contractors come and have a small presentation and then have the opportunity to tour some areas where the work will be completed. We will be hosting our bid opening meeting for our bond project on August 8th at 1pm. We are excited to get this next step underway. We will report back after this meeting.
- We are still working on some other projects outside of the main scope. We are looking for a place for the Alt Ed kids to call home. We have a group of bathrooms that need to be renovated. We are hoping for great bids so that we can piggyback some of these smaller projects on to it.
- We have done a lot of business over the years with Barton Coe Vilamaa, recently Nik Vilamaa, the Vilamaa from the original name has moved to a new company called Elevatus. There is a possibility that Nik and his team will be making a presentation for a portion of the project. Remember that the 2022 GO Bond and 2019 GO Bond have some funds left that were earmarked for Alt Ed and the Transportation Building. We have also had the very generous donation from the Reese Family for lights and I suspect that we will bond in 2024 to complete these projects putting in lights at the baseball and softball diamonds and bathrooms on the soccer/softball side. Many more details to come.
- We are so excited to welcome our staff on Monday with our back to school celebration and icecream social at 1pm and pep session meeting at 145. Students will be back with us on Wednesday!
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- 3. Conference Requests

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u> First Day of School - August 9, 2023

NEXT MEETING DATE: <u>August 15, 2023</u> <u>7:00 P.M.</u> <u>Admin Building</u> <u>Regular Session</u>

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Christian Mattix called the meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

PRES._____

SEC'Y. _____