

## **School Board Meeting – March 4, 2014 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 March 4, 2014, at the Urey Middle School Media Center. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Bob Borlik, Tom McCormick, Janice Ryan, and Curt Pletcher; Bill Groves was absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and ten observers were also present.

PATRON RESPONSE: Jon and Donna Banks asked to speak to the Board to convey their feelings about Jon's recent resignation from the position of Varsity Softball Coach. Mr. Banks spoke first, followed by Mrs. Banks. Bob Borlik thanked Mr. Banks for his service, and for taking time to share his thoughts with the Board.

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

On Thursday, February 27, 14 teams from nine different schools competed in the Elementary Math Bowl Competition. WES scored 18 points to win the Green Class competition. Kara Kaser was recognized for her organizational efforts, while congratulations went to Mrs. Hayes and the team. Team members are: Haleigh Amor, Jorjia Ayers, Arisa Bajer, Eric Blankenmeyer, Jaden Chamberlin, Taylor Cuskaden, Michael Day, Connor Fort, Chrystian Garcia, McKenzie Hudgen, Oleysa Indeikina, Makayla Klingensmith, Jennafer LeRose, Abby Machnic, Matthew Moore, Eleodora Piedra, Isabel Piedra, Peyton Rensberger, Jillian Szwedda, Ariel Tysver.

North Liberty Elementary participated in the Elementary Math Bowl Competition on February 27, with two teams competing in Division 1. Team 1 achieved second place with a score of 21. Team members include: Riley Humphrey, Eden William, Hailey Rough, Mark Dion, Hannah Hunnicutt, Garrett West, Reagan Howe, Emma Shoue, Raegan Romer, Cayden Heckman, and Anthony Kaser. Team 2 tied for third place with a score of 20, but lost the tie breaker. Team members include: Isaac Allen, Riley Gean, William Kepperling, Khori Barker, Alex Tungate, Alexis Baer, Connor Arick, Nathan May, Kainen Gibson, Skylar Hooten. Math Bowl Coaches were Michele Weiss, Amy Weiss, Justina Weiss, and Aubrey Houser. Kristy Wilsey, Seth Ponder, and Andy Stegemiller were recognized for their participation in "pitching" a grant request, along with Mr. Romer, to the IDOE on February 25<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis. The committee was denied the funding, but gained some great experience in building relationships with the IDOE.

The UMS Media Center received a donation from Falcon 500 for \$37.60 to be used for the Read Across America activity. The following students were "Caught Doing Good" during the month of January: Carlee Donathen, Rebecca Klingensmith, Mia Santiago, and Eugene Scott; and for the month of February: Claire Heying, Zachary Mago and Taylor Verhaeghe. These students will enjoy pizza and pop for lunch as a reward. Congratulations to the Urey 8th grade Girls' Basketball team for winning the NSC tourney last weekend. They beat Jimtown, Bremen and Triton to sweep the tournament and earn the NSC championship trophy for the 2nd consecutive year.

The Board was asked to accept a donation from Richard and Cathy Reese for \$400 donated to the Boys' Baseball program. John Glenn Girls' Basketball member Erin Patterson was selected as Academic All State. The Board was invited to the John Glenn Theatre Company musical TARZAN, which will be performed on Friday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 15 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday,

March 16 at 2:00 p.m. This past Saturday, March 1, members of the Band participated in the ISSMA State Solo & Ensemble Contest at North Central High School in Indianapolis. Receiving a Gold rating, the Woodwind Ensemble included members Kayla Scribner, Paige Reed, Emily Jones, Brittnie Spornhauer, Mary Eich, Allison Pearish, Taylor Winkel, Anna Dennie, Christina Nelson, Jordan Maure, Cylas Scott, Katelyn Gates, Nicole Fullmer, Aryana Moss, Mikayla Fortlander, Erin Patterson, and Katelyn Miller.

The Percussion Ensemble received a Gold rating and received a perfect score in all categories. Members include: Jacob Sleek, Joe Schmalzried, Nathan Kickbush, Robbie Loukes, Aacen O'Conner, Kenny Eslick, Logan Chastain, Anna Schmeltz, Katelyn Miller, Lauren Maure, Becca Shoue, Tyler Johnson, Dylan Glennon, Adam Palmer, Zach Tibbs, Matt Schmalzried and Thad VanOverburghe. Jacob Sleek performed 3 percussion solos and received 2 Gold ratings and 1 Silver rating. Joe Schmalzried performed a tenor solo and received a Gold rating. Zach Tibbs performed a baritone solo and received a Gold rating. Aubrey Houser performed a violin solo and received a Gold rating.

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

### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 3

1. Approve Minutes – February 18, 2014 – Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – # 240 - 296
3. Personnel Recommendations

#### **Appointments/Transfers**

- a. Dan Drotar Varsity Softball Coach, John Glenn High School
- b. Mike Mulcahy Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, John Glenn High School
- c. Matt Johnson JV Softball Coach, John Glenn High School

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 3, Tom McCormick seconded the motion. The motion passed with a six to zero vote.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Second Reading – NEOLA Policy Revisions

0140 – BYLAWS – Membership

0160 – BYLAWS – Meetings

1537 – Military Service

2270 – Religion in the Curriculum

2510 – Adoption of Curricular Materials

5111 – Determination of Legal Settlement and Eligibility....

5410 – Promotion, Placement, and Retention

5517.01 – Bullying

6110 – Grant Funds

6320 – Purchasing

8390 – Animals on School Corporation Property

8750 – Defense and Indemnification of Board Members and Employees

9160 – Public Attendance at School Events

Curt Pletcher read the list of policy revisions. A short discussion was held before a motion to approve the second reading of the revised policies was made by Dennis Holland, and seconded by Jeff Johnson. The motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

## 2. Approve Corporation Calendar Revision for 2014 – 2015 School Year

A short discussion was held before Bob Borlik made a motion to approve the 2014-2015 revised school calendar. Janice Ryan seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a vote of six to zero.

## 3. Approve Overnight Trip for the Wrestling Team

The wrestling team traveled to Indianapolis on February 21, 2014 to support Adam Dodson as he participated in the state competition. Mr. Reese reminded the board members that he had emailed them requesting approval for the overnight trip and they consented; this vote was for the official record. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the Wrestling Team Overnight Trip on February 21, 2014. Bob Borlik seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a vote of six to zero.

## 4. Approve Temporary Cafeteria Position

A short discussion was held to discuss the situation resulting in the need for this temporary position. Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the temporary cafeteria position for John Glenn High School. Tom McCormick seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

## REPORTS

### 1. Superintendent's Report

#### a) February ADM Report

Mr. Reese reported that the student count has grown by 1.5 students since the September ADM count. The increase in the ADM count will increase the funding received from the state (for the second semester of school) by \$7,800.

#### b) NIESC Return on Investment Analysis

The Northern Indiana Educational Services Center provides several cost-saving services for the school corporation by negotiating lower rates with vendors that sell foods and commodities, janitorial supplies, office supplies, etc. Mr. Reese presented a comprehensive report to the board concerning the savings the JGSC has received by being a member of the NIESC.

#### c) Capital Projects Priority List

Mr. Reese provided the board with the John Glenn School Corporation Capital Projects priority list for their review. A short discussion was held to answer questions from the board concerning construction and funding issues.

#### d) Project Lead The Way (PLTW)

Mr. Mark Maudlin discussed Project Lead The Way with the board, and reported that Mr. Seth Ponder, IT Teacher at Urey Middle School, will be in charge of the program at the middle school. Mr. Reese announced that grant funding has been approved through the county to institute this program, but that the corporation may still have to contribute some funding as well.

e) Balanced Calendar Meetings

There will be two public meetings held to provide information about the balanced calendar to parents and the general public. The meetings will be held on March 11, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at Walkerton Elementary School, and March 13, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at John Glenn High School.

2. Conference Requests

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 18, 2014 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Curt Pletcher called the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees and to receive information about and to interview a prospective employee; no other business was discussed. The executive session began at 7:56 p.m. and adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

INFORMATION & REPORTS

- Thank you card from Diane Vermillion
- “Calendar changes, longer school days” news article
- “Marshall County makes commitment” news article

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