

**School Board Meeting – January 6, 2015**  
**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 January 6, 2015, at Walkerton Elementary School. Board members present were Janice Ryan, Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Tom McCormick, Bob Borlik, Bill Groves and Curt Pletcher. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and 18 observers were also present. The pledge of allegiance was led by Walkerton Elementary Student Council Members Cynthia Galvez, Abby Neff, David Shinkle, Maya Vermillion, Melachi Wright, and Mrs. Riggs, Student Council sponsor.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PRESIDENT Curt Pletcher

Tom McCormick made a motion to nominate Curt Pletcher for President, and was seconded by Janice Ryan. The motion to elect Curt Pletcher as President was approved by a seven to zero vote.

VICE PRESIDENT Bob Borlik

Bill Groves made a motion to nominate Bob Borlik for Vice President, and was seconded by Dennis Holland. The motion to elect Bob Borlik as Vice President was approved by a seven to zero vote.

SECRETARY Janice Ryan

Bill Groves made a motion to nominate Janice Ryan for Secretary, and was seconded by Bob Borlik. The motion to elect Janice Ryan as Secretary was approved by a seven to zero vote.

TREASURER Tom Bendy

Bill Groves made a motion to nominate Tom Bendy for Treasurer, and was seconded by Dennis Holland. The motion to elect Tom Bendy as Treasurer was approved by a seven to zero vote.

DEPUTY TREASURER Carol Kuzmicz

Janice Ryan made a motion to nominate Carol Kuzmicz as Deputy Treasurer, and was seconded by Bill Groves. The motion to elect Carol Kuzmicz as Deputy Treasurer was approved by a seven to zero vote.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON Jeff Johnson

JGSC TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Janice Ryan

Curt Pletcher

JGHS ATHLETIC COUNCIL Bill Groves

## HIGH ABILITIES COMMITTEE

Bob Borlik

Bill Groves made a motion to nominate Jeff Johnson for Legislative Liaison, Janice Ryan and Curt Pletcher for the JGSC Technology Committee, Bill Groves for the JGHS Athletic Council, and Bob Borlik for the High Abilities Committee. Dennis Holland seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

## REGULAR MEETING DATE AND TIME

First and Third Thursday of Every Month, 7:00 p.m.

Bill Groves made a motion to move the meeting date and time to the first and third Thursday of every month, at 7:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jeff Johnson. The motion to move the meeting date and time to the first and third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. passed with a seven to zero vote.

## BOARD SALARY

\$2,000 Annually

Jeff Johnson made a motion, seconded by Bill Groves, to keep the School Board salary at \$2,000 annually per member. The motion was approved by a seven to zero vote.

## SCHOOL ATTORNEY

Faegre, Baker, Daniels, LLP

Bill Groves made a motion, seconded by Jeff Johnson, to approve the appointment of the law firm of Faegre, Baker, Daniels, LLP, as legal counsel for the John Glenn School Corporation. The motion was approved by a seven to zero vote.

## DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPER/S FOR PUBLISHING LEGAL NOTICES FOR SCHOOL CORPORATION

Plymouth Pilot

South Bend Tribune

Janice Ryan made a motion to designate the Plymouth Pilot and the South Bend Tribune as the newspapers for publishing legal notices for the John Glenn School Corporation. The motion was seconded by Bill Groves, and was approved by a seven to zero vote.

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

Walkerton Elementary students in Mrs. Snyder's, Mrs. Ickes', and Ms. Rizek's class recently made ornaments for Christmas trees at Miller's Merry Manor. Due to the students' efforts, a \$50 gift certificate was awarded to them, which was used to purchase items for their classroom. Mr. Tim Davis, Principal, asked the Board to accept a donation of \$6,164.70 from Box Tops for Education.

Mr. Romer, North Liberty Elementary Principal, asked the Board to accept the following donations: Falcon 500 - \$56 for Kindergarten Zoo field trip and shirts; I/N Tek and I/N Kote - \$1,900.00 for plastic caps program; Falcon 500 - \$56.50 for STEM Assembly; and Falcon 500 - \$56.00 for the Fun Fair fundraiser. Mr. Romer recognized several staff members for their participation in the Teachers As Scholars (TAS) program, which is hosted by the University of Notre Dame. Those staff members are Lisa Vukovits and Dyan Phillips, Urey Middle School; Scott Richie, John Glenn High School; Kim Kosinski, Randy Romer, Michele Weiss, and Christine Houston, North Liberty Elementary School.

Mr. Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, asked the Board to accept a donation of \$45 from the Falcon 500 Club for the Media Center's Young Hoosier Book Game. December Students of the Month are 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Taylor Murray and Caden England, and 7<sup>th</sup> Graders Taylor Cuskaden and Sam Carson. The following students were "Caught Doing Good" during the month of December and will be rewarded with a pizza and pop lunch: Sam Carson, Antonio Garcilazo, Claire Heying, Nathan Kluszczynski, Kyle Lockhart, Aaron Sherman, and Elise Stewart.

The Board was asked to accept the following donations to John Glenn High School: Falcon 500 donated \$56 to Cheer, \$56 to Girls' Basketball, and \$56 to Spell Bowl; Stephanie Drotar donated \$250 to the Drama Department.

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

#### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – December 16, 2014 – Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – # 1776 - 1852
3. Personnel Recommendations

#### **Retirements/Resignations**

- a. Michael Walter Instructional Aide and Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School

#### **Appointments/Transfers**

- a. Melissa Williams Transfer to Instructional Aide, Urey Middle School, from Instructional Aide, Walkerton Elementary School

4. Transfer Tuition

Four students were presented to the Board for approval as transfer students. Those students are:

Hope Lauderback, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade/UMS  
Jonathan Layne 9<sup>th</sup> Grade/JGHS  
Austin Miller 9<sup>th</sup> Grade/JGHS  
Jordan Morris 10<sup>th</sup> Grade/JGHS

Bill Groves made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 4, Bob Borlik seconded the motion. The motion passed with a seven to zero vote.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Transfer of Appropriations of General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Transportation Fund.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Bill Groves to approve the transfer of appropriations of the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Transportation Fund. The motion was seconded by Jeff Johnson, and the motion was approved by a seven to zero vote.

2. Approve Second Reading of NEOLA Board Policies – Rev. Volume 27, No. 1

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the second reading of the NEOLA Board Policies, and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

3. Signing of Conflict of Interest Statements

Conflict of Interest Statements were presented to Curt Pletcher, Dennis Holland, and Jeff Johnson for signatures.

#### REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Capital Project Expenditures

Mr. Reese highlighted a couple of Capital Project needs at John Glenn High School. The track is in desperate need of repair; Mr. Reese asked the Board permission to seek bids for replacement of the track. Mr. Reese also presented a proposal for adding a broadcast studio to the high school, as well as offering "broadcasting" curriculum. Equipment, such as cameras, anchor desk, sound equipment, etc., will need to be purchased, in addition to minor renovations which will be completed by Mr. Brad Schmeltz, Maintenance Director. The funds to pay for both of these projects will come from the recent bond refinancing.

b. Mr. Reese announced he would like to form a new service group called the John Glenn Education Foundation. Mr. Reese asked for volunteers to staff the board of directors, and noted that this foundation's goal will be to help students as well as teachers. Mr. Reese asked board members and administration for their participation. He is also reaching out to the community in search of hard-working, generous volunteers who will support John Glenn students and staff.

c. Mr. Tim Davis and Mr. Chris Winchell have applied for and received a \$50,000 School Resource Matching Funds Grant. This grant will be used to hire a school resource officer (SRO) for the schools. Mr. Reese emphasized that this SRO would serve as more of a deterrent rather than student control, as student discipline is not an issue.

2. Conference Requests

3. Conference Reports

#### BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

A short discussion was held to discuss the need for another board meeting in January. A decision was made to cancel the second meeting in January.

Several board members remarked on the excellent job by Bill Groves as School Board President in 2014. Mr. Groves thanked the Board for supporting him during his time served as President.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 3, 2015 7:00 P.M. JGHS Regular Session

#### ADJOURNMENT

Curt Pletcher called the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

#### BOARD OF FINANCE MEETING:

1. Organize Board of Finance by Electing a President, Secretary, and Review of 2014 Investments

President Curt Pletcher Secretary Janice Ryan

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the appointment of Curt Pletcher as President and Janice Ryan as Secretary for the Board of Finance. Bill Groves seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of seven to zero.

The Board of Finance meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

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