

School Board Meeting – April 4, 2017

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 April 4, 2017, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were President Jeff Johnson, Christian Mattix, Curt Pletcher, Vice President Janice Ryan, and Bob Borlik. Secretary Dennis Holland and Bill Groves were absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and six observers were present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Mr. Tim Davis, Walkerton Elementary Principal, congratulated students who achieved the third nine-week honor roll and provided to the Board a complete list of honor roll students. Mr. Davis announced the Annual WES PTA Walkathon raised \$3,000 the week before Spring Break. An assembly was held on Friday, March 24, 2017 where many WES teachers had pies thrown in their faces by students who raised the most money for the Walkathon. On Friday, April 7, 2017 the WES Summer Reading Program will host a Fish Fry from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mr. Davis invited the Board to presentations by Children's Author Patricia Polacco on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 4:30 p.m., or Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Both events will be held in the Walkerton Elementary School Cafeteria. The Summer Reading Program saw attendance of 160 students at the March 10, 2017 Lock-In. In closing, Mr. Davis advised the Board that he recently picked up five pallets of office furniture from the Feed the Children store.

Mr. Randy Romer, North Liberty Elementary Principal, announced NLES raised \$3,955.25 to be donated to the St. Jude Children's Hospital through a Math-a-thon. Michele Weiss and retired teacher, Brunie Mihail, chaired the event. The winning classes were treated with cupcakes and juice. Those winning classes are Mrs. Savill's Kindergarten class, Mrs. Gurtner's First Grade class, Mr. Burch's Second Grade class, Mrs. Goodsell's Third Grade class, Mrs. Hoppe's Fourth Grade class, Mrs. Underwood's Fifth Grade class, and Mrs. Weiss's Sixth Grade class. The Tri Kappa Art Show, held at JGHS on March 17, 18, and 19, recognized several NLES students for their fine artwork. Those students winning awards were Sixth Grader, Allison Bowlds, People's Choice; Fifth Graders: Joey Shoue, 1st Place for "Clay Ball", Rylee Johnson, 2nd Place for "Newspaper Sculpture", Ben Katowich, 3rd Place for "Newspaper Sculpture", Jessica Norwich, 2nd Place for "Pencil Drawing", and Landon Johnson, 3rd Place for "Tissue Tile". Third Graders awarded include Jolene Tungate, 2nd Place for "Value Lights", Rylee Johnson, 1st Place for "Van Gogh Chair", McKinley Platz, 2nd Place for "Van Gogh Chair", and Justin Leslie, 3rd Place for "Van Gogh Chair". Second Graders awarded were Finley Seal, 2nd Place for "O'Keefe Flower", and Cloey Hummel, 3rd Place for "O'Keefe Flower". First Graders awarded include Lauren Allsop, 1st Place for "Clay Fish", Hayley Chapman, 2nd Place for "Clay Fish", Randi Rutishauser, 3rd Place for "Clay Fish", and Lilly Singleton, 1st Place for "Van Gogh Starry Night". Kindergarten student Amelia Chizum was awarded 3rd Place for "Catching Snowflakes". In closing, Mr. Romer announced the NLES Early Intervention Grant proposal for \$4,615.53 was approved to support First and Second Grade students with literacy support and intervention needs.

Mr. Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, congratulated several students who received awards at the 2017 Art Show. Seventh Grade winners in Drawing include 1st Place, Megan Kobelt, 2nd Place, Claire Holston, and 3rd Place, Jacob Taylor. In the Seventh Grade Painting division, 1st Place went to Averie Sanchez, 2nd Place to Klara Guiseilla, and 3rd Place to Gigi Bishop. Eighth Grade winners in Painting were 1st Place, Cecilia Delinski, 2nd Place, Justin Dresbach, and 3rd Place, Skylar Hooten. Sculpture awards went to Cynthia Galvez, 1st Place, Skylar Hooten, 2nd Place, and Nathan Stacy, 3rd Place. In the

Digital Arts division, 1st Place was awarded to Mickenna Jackson, 2nd Place to Seth Giese, and 3rd Place to Olivia Baldwin. Delilah Allsop received an Honorable Mention in Photography. Mr. Maudlin noted the following students were “Caught Doing Good” during the month of March and will enjoy a pizza and pop lunch as a reward: Olivia Baldwin, James Balok, Stephanie Diaz, Hannah Felgenhauer, Bradley Hardwick, Chesney Redmond, and Lydia Waelde. In closing, Mr. Maudlin wished Good Luck to Urey Middle School Track, Golf and Tennis Teams as they begin their seasons.

Mr. Will Morton, John Glenn High School Principal, asked the Board to accept a donation of \$50 from Mary Schlemmer for Athletics. In Athletic news, Matt Strong was selected IBCA honorable Mention All-State in Boys Basketball, and Billy Harness has been nominated for the Moose Krause Football Award. Mr. Morton reported that *Once Upon A Mattress*, the JGHS Spring Musical, was a resounding success. Over 60 students in the cast, crew, and orchestra experienced firsthand what dedication and attention to detail can bring about. Approximately 700 audience members enjoyed the music and laughs that these talented students brought to life.

A motion to accept the donations as presented was made by Bob Borlik, and seconded by Christian Mattix. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 2

1. Approve Minutes – March 21, 2017 – Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – # 400 - 485

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 and 2, and Curt Pletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Open Public Session for Comments on Donation of 123 Shamrock Street, Walkerton

A public hearing was opened at 7:12 p.m. to receive any public comments concerning disposal/donation of the property at 123 Shamrock Street in Walkerton. No public comments were heard and the public session was closed at 7:14 p.m.

2. Approve Donation of 123 Shamrock Street, Walkerton, to John Glenn Education Foundation

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the Transfer Agreement between John Glenn School Corporation and the John Glenn Education Foundation, and to approve the Quit Claim deed assigning ownership of the residence at 123 Shamrock St, Walkerton to the John Glenn Education Foundation. Curt Pletcher seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

3. Approve Amendment Three to Interlocal Agreement for Head Start Consortium

John Glenn School Corporation entered into an Interlocal Agreement with other school corporations in St. Joseph and Elkhart Counties in 2004 to create a Head Start Consortium, which provides school-based Head Start programs. Recent changes to the federal regulations governing all Head Start programs address requirements regarding composition and training of governing boards. As a result of these changes, the Boards of School Trustees must approve an amended agreement, as well as appoint the Superintendent to sit on the Head Start Joint Board of Directors. Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the amended Head Start Consortium Agreement and appoint Richard Reese to the Head Start Joint Board of Directors. Christian Mattix seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

4. Approve Exception to the Substitute Teacher Pay (Hard to Fill Areas)

Nicole Amor, Spanish Teacher at John Glenn High School, is leaving on maternity leave soon, and Mr. Morton, High School Principal, has located someone to fill this “hard-to-fill” position. Ms. Catrina Kroeger has agreed to fill this position for first-year teacher pay. Mr. Reese asked the Board for a one-time approval to pay \$187.78 per day to Ms. Kroeger. Curt Pletcher made the motion to approve a one-time pay exception for Ms. Kroeger as a substitute teacher, covering Mrs. Amor’s maternity leave. Christian Mattix seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent’s Report

Due to required attendance at the Lilly Grant Seminar, Mr. Reese informed the Board that he will be out of town on June 20th and 21st. Therefore, he suggested moving the board meeting on June 20th to June 27th, and cancelling the July 4th meeting. The Board unanimously agreed with this suggestion.

2. Conference Requests

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Jeff Johnson reminded board members on the upcoming ISBA Spring Regional Meeting on May 17, 2017.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 18, 2017 7:00 P.M. ADMN Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Johnson called the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

_____ PRES. _____

_____ SEC'Y. _____
