# School Board Meeting – July 16, 2019 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 July 16, 2019, at the John Glenn Administration Office. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Bill Groves, and Dan Drotar. Curt Pletcher, Bob Borlik, and Christian Mattix were absent. Christopher Winchell, Superintendent, and 12 observers were also present.

# RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

John Glenn High School recognitions:

The following donations were received:

- > \$400 from Bremen Volunteer Fire Dept. for Band
- > \$100 from Falcon 500 Club for Chicago Shakespeare Field Trip
- ➤ \$500 from Kaser Realty for Falloween
- > \$1,000 from Larry and Janet Hiler for Falloween
- > \$50 from Modern Door for Falloween
- > \$100 from Rannells Funeral Home for Falloween
- > \$500 from Tom and Bryan Foundation for the Bryan Verkler Scholarship
- > \$100 from the Town of North Liberty to Band
- > Tri-Kappa:
  - o \$50 to Academic Decathlon
  - o \$400 to Art Show
  - o \$50 to Artist in Residence
  - \$50 to Aerial
  - o \$50 to Art Department
  - o \$50 to Band
  - \$50 to Theatre
  - o \$50 to Choir
  - o \$50 to Yearbook

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve donations as presented and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four to zero.

#### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1-4

- 1. Approve Minutes June 18 2019 Regular Session
- 2. Approve Claims 773 937
- 3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

# Retirements/Resignations

| a. | Jacob Sleek  | Math Instructional Aide, John Glenn High School |  |  |  |
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| b. | Jay Walter   | Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School    |  |  |  |
| c. | Michael Krill Assistant Football Coach, Urey Middle School |   |  |  |  |
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d. Andrea Peterson Assistant Cross Country Coach, John Glenn High School

# Appointments/Transfers

a. Jennifer Moore Special Education Teacher, John Glenn High School

b. David Lichtenbarger P.E. Health Teacher, Urey Middle School

c. Emily Hess
d. Sarah Cuskaden
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d. Grade Teacher, North Liberty Elementary School
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, North Liberty Elementary School

e. Brianne Richardson Maternity Leave Substitute, North Liberty Elementary School

f. Ehricha Sherland Custodian, Walkerton Elementary School

g. Kelli Cruz Summer School Instructional Aide, Walkerton Elementary School

# 4. Transfer Student Requests

Two new requests for the 2019-2020 school year were presented to the Board for review and approval. Those two new students are:

Cody Wireman JGHS/11 Nathan Tolley JGHS/11

Bill Groves made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items one through four and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a four to zero vote.

Minutes from the executive session held on June 15, 2019 were approved separately. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Dan Drotar seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of three to zero. Jeff Johnson abstained from the vote as he was not present at the executive session.

Newly appointed employees David Lichtenbarger, Emily Hess, and Sarah Cuskaden were in attendance and were introduced to the Board.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Approve 2019-2020 Student Handbooks for Walkerton and North Liberty Elementary, Urey Middle, and John Glenn High School

Bill Groves made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 handbooks as presented and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four to zero. Mr. Winchell noted that he and Mr. Bill Kaminski, School Attorney, will be reviewing all handbooks this coming fall to provide further updates for the 2020-21 school year.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approve Resolution to Transfer Amounts from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund

Mr. Tom Bendy noted that this resolution is a part of the normal process required by the State Board of Accounts, and is the same as the resolutions that were approved in April and January. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the Resolution to Transfer amounts from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund. Dan Drotar seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of four to zero.

2. Approve Salary Increase for Deputy Treasurer

On June 28<sup>th</sup>, prior to retirement, Mr. Reese submitted a salary increase request for Carol Kuzmicz, as she recently completed a leadership training course through the Indiana Associate of School Board Officials. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve a salary increase of \$2,500 for Carol Kuzmicz, and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four to zero.

# 3. Approve Superintendent Membership Fees

Per the Superintendent Contract, the board is to approve organizational memberships for the Superintendent. Mr. Winchell asked the Board to approve memberships in the following organizations: Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents (IAPSS), Walkerton Chamber of Commerce, Indiana Associate of School Business Officials, (IASBO), Indiana Small and Rural Schools Association (ISRSA), and the Indiana School Public Relations Association. Bill Groves made a motion to approve membership in the associations as presented and Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four to zero.

4. Consider Recommendation for Greene Township Community Building Bus Pick-Up/Drop-off Site

Bill Groves made a motion to approve a shuttle bus pick-up/drop-off site at the Greene Township Community Building. Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. A lengthy discussion was held, during which Mr. Winchell noted that he met with Greene Township leadership to review their request for a bus pick-up location at the Greene Township Community Building. Greene Township Trustee, Sandra Ort, along with her husband Gary Ort, were in attendance to express their continued desire to join the John Glenn School Corporation. Mr. Winchell stated that he supported the shuttle to the community building as a service to currently enrolled students and families living in Greene Township. After the discussion, a vote was held, and the motion passed four to zero.

# **REPORTS**

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell shared some updates with the Board:

- New bus laws state that no student shall cross a state or US Highway when bus pick up takes place. Mr. Winchell noted that we do not have any students crossing major highways.
- The State has changed the date by which they will fund kindergarten students. Kindergarten students must be five by September 1 of each year for the state to fund that student. Corporation policy has not changed regarding age requirements for enrollment. Students must be 5 years of age by August 1 or request early enrollment in writing to the building principal.
- Mrs. Tresa Hammond, has begun in her new role as the Urey Middle School Principal, and is doing a fine job.
- Building leaders are working hard to fill open positions left by retirees at the end of the 18-19 school year.
- Sports practices will officially begin on August 5, 2019. The first Varsity Football game will be at South Bend Adams on August 16, 2019.

#### 2. Conference Requests

#### BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

No additional comments were shared during this time.

NEXT MEETING DATE: August 6, 2019 7:00 P.M. Admn Regular Session

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dennis Holland called the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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