

School Board Meeting – March 16, 2021

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 March 16, 2021 at the John Glenn High School Media Center. Board members present in person were Bob Borlik, Dan Drotar, Jared Egger, Dennis Holland, Ryan Knowlton and Christian Mattix. Bill Groves, Christopher Winchell, and two observers were present virtually. Six observers were present in person.

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

Urey Middle School Fundraisers:

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| ➤ Morton's Bar-B-Que | Urey Athletics | April 24, 2021 |
| ➤ Falcon Proud Golf Outing | Urey Athletics | June 7, 2021 |

John Glenn High School Fundraisers:

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| ➤ Candy Bar Sales | Class of 2022 | 3/8-4/30/2021 |
| ➤ Port-a-Pit | League of Falcons | May 7, 2021 |
| ➤ Jeans Day for Staff | Class of 2023 | March 17, 2021 |

Recognitions:

Students at all of our buildings do so many great things that we would like to share with the community. Please see a list of recognitions from each building principal on our website following each meeting.

Mr. Christian Mattix made a motion to approve the above named fundraisers, and Mr. Bob Borlik seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – February 16, 2021– Regular Session
2. Approve Claims – 195 - 303
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

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| a. Kari Rush | Bus Driver, John Glenn School Corporation |
| b. Damon Groves | 7B and 8B Boys Basketball Coach, Urey Middle School |
| c. Leslie Stec | Teacher, Urey Middle School |

Appointments/Transfers

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| a. Kurt Foster | Transfer from Girls Assistant Track Coach to Girls Track, Head Coach, John Glenn High School |
| b. Jen Carr | Transfer from Boys Assistant Track Coach to Girls Assistant Track Coach, John Glenn High School |

- c. Preston Savill Boys Golf Head Coach, John Glenn High School
- d. Carissa Smith JV Softball Head Coach, John Glenn High School
- e. Amy Weiss Title Grant Coordinator, John Glenn School Corporation
- f. Sydnee Birch JV Softball Coach, half-pay, John Glenn High School
- g. Sydney Donlon JV Softball Coach, half-pay, John Glenn High School

4. Approve Student Transfer Requests

John Glenn School Corporation currently has a total of 515 transfer students including the students listed below:

Joshua Dunlap	JGHS/10
Sadie Elkins	WES/3
Sarah Thompson	UMS/7

Mr. Bob Borlik made a motion to approve consent agenda items 1-4 and Mr. Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Recommendation to approve Social Studies Curriculum

Mr. Winchell informed that Board that although the Indiana Department of Education does not require a scheduled rotation of instructional materials, it is our practice to follow the traditional 7 year rotation so that we may update our standards and materials regularly. Mr. Manering led a committee of teachers from each building and grade level to review the Indiana Standards for Social Studies and develop the core curriculum that will be taught at John Glenn School Corporation. Pending approval of this curriculum, the next step will be finding teaching materials that match the curriculum that we plan to teach. An additional recommendation will follow at that time. Mr. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve Social Studies Curriculum and Mr. Dan Drotar seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes virtually.

2. Approve Purchase over \$25,000 for One (1) 78-Passenger School Bus and One (1) 66-Passenger Handicap Accessible Bus for a total of \$220,384.

Mr. Winchell informed the Board that this is the next step in our preapproved bus replacement plan completed yearly during our budget cycle. The only difference is that this handicap accessible bus is a little larger than we had originally thought we would be able to afford. Marie Fansler, Director of Transportation was available to provide specific information on the buses we plan to purchase. After a brief discussion, Mr. Christian Mattix made a motion to approve Purchase over \$25,000 for One (1) 78-Passenger School Bus and One (1) 66-Passenger Handicap Accessible Bus for a total of \$220,384 and Mr. Jared Egger seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes virtually.

3. Approve Temporary Suspension of Four Elective Credits

Mr. Winchell reminded the Board that the State of Indiana requires 40 credits for a Core 40 High School Diploma, but they allow each district's school board to set their own additional local requirements. Historically, John Glenn has required 45 credits for the same Core 40 Diploma. The five additional credits we require have been four electives, and the class "Preparing for College and Careers." Mr. Winchell reminded the Board that we approved this same temporary suspension of our local requirement for the four additional elective

credits at this time last year due to the unique situations and challenges that COVID has presented for our students. Mr. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve Temporary Suspension of Four Elective Credits and Mr. Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes virtually.

4. Approve Resolution to Transfer \$141,666.67 from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund

Mr. Winchell noted that this is a resolution passed each quarter to allow the Treasurer to transfer an amount from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund as allowed by HB1009. The amount requested to transfer is \$141,666.67. Additionally, Mr. Bendy noted that the requested amount is approximately 13% of our total budget, which is under the state's recommended guidelines for transfers of 15% or less. Mr. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the Resolution to Transfer \$141,666.67 from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund, and Mr. Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of seven to zero. Roll call was held to confirm the vote. All members in person voted yes and Mr. Bill Groves voted yes virtually.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell noted the following:

- Based on the state maps, St. Joseph County is on Level 1 or yellow. This allows events to be held at 50% capacity or up to 250 people. As the county numbers decline, we have noticed a slight increase for the month. We are continuing to monitor.
- There was a COVID vaccine clinic held at Penn Harris Madison on Monday, March 8th. PHM Superintendent reached out to offer JGSC 100 vaccines for that afternoon. Approximately 50 JGSC Teammates were able to get their first dose of the vaccine with the second coming up after Spring Break. In addition, the Marshall County Health Department is beginning to schedule vaccination clinics at local Marshall County Schools. Our clinic is scheduled for April 8th and May 6th.
- We are moving forward with planning Prom, Graduation and other end of year activities and putting the appropriate protocols into place. The John Glenn Education Foundation has graciously made a donation to help support the prom since COVID has prevented students from fundraising in their usual manner.
- Project updates
 - Solar Project – They worked on interconnection on Saturday, March 13th and we are officially hooked up to the meter. Everything will be tested this week and we will be making our own energy by the end of the day on Thursday. Mr. Mattix was able to get some drone footage of our solar array to share online and we will also have monitoring stations installed in all five buildings.
 - NLES projects will be starting next week in the auxiliary gym.
 - Electrical contractors will be working to upgrade lighting at WES over Spring Break
 - Key Fob Project is mostly finished, we expect replacement parts to arrive soon to complete this project.
 - Everything else is moving along as scheduled
- Legislative updates – Many bills are working around the Senate and there is no new update to HB1367. There is additional conversation about HB1005 as it is making its way through the senate with potential amendments. There will be a Four County Legislative Event held in Warsaw next week where local school corporations can meet in solidarity to express opposition to the bill and changes in funding that it suggests. There are also a few resolutions that are gaining momentum among local school corporations that the Board may want to look at. Mr. Knowlton also informed the Board that the ISBA has put together great information regarding HB1005 and encourages them to review it.

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mr. Holland informed the Board that the Building Trades house has sold. He commended all the students for their hard work and dedication through all the challenges that COVID placed before them this year. Unfortunately, we will not be able to host a community open house since the house is already sold, but we will do a virtual tour that can be placed on our school website. Mr. Holland believes this is the 24th house that the Building Trades class has completed.

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

Spring Break - March 22-26, 2021
Legislative gathering - March 23, 2021
JGHS Top 10% Senior Banquet – March 31, 2021

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 20, 2021 7:00 P.M. JGHS Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ryan Knowlton called the meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
