

School Board Meeting – September 21, 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 September 21, 2021 at the Walkerton Elementary School Cafeteria. Board members present were Bob Borlik, Dan Drotar, Jared Egger, Bill Groves, Dennis Holland, Ryan Knowlton. Christian Mattix was absent. There were 57 observers present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Groves noted his appreciation for the community’s involvement in tonight’s meeting. Mr. Groves noted that the Board looks forward to hearing input from the community. Community input would be reflected on and given serious consideration. Mr. Groves also noted that this was a business meeting of the corporation, so questions would not be asked or answered. He went on to encourage those with additional questions to follow the proper chain of command, reaching out to building administration, and Mr. Winchell.

Thirteen members of the community addressed the Board to share their thoughts and opinions regarding COVID protocols. Amy Allsop, Alyssa Curtis, Cynthia Heckman-Davis and Melissa Holderread spoke in support of our current protocols. Danielle Abell, Chad Applegate, Angie Cripe, Krystal Fairchild, Tracy Fry, Magdalena Gazdowicz, Curt Kananowicz, Ashley Nelson, and Nathan Stull spoke in favor of parental choice.

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

Walkerton Elementary School

- Donations
 - School Store (Gift Cards) \$1420 Kdg. Teachers

Urey Middle School

- Donations
 - Triple J Machining and Manufacturing, Inc. \$1000 Robotics
 - Metal Building Maintenance \$100 Business Club
 - Dr. Kerry Knape, DDS \$150 Business Club
 - Tom and Debbie Walter \$100 Business Club
 - Modern Door Corp. \$50 Business Club
 - Falcon 500 \$200 eSports
 - Falcon 500 \$33 Art Club
- Fundraisers
 - Music, Athletics and Robotics 10/1-12/15 Beef Raffle

John Glenn High School

- Donations
 - Gene and Marsha Reese Family Fund \$1766 Softball
 - Marshall County Blueberry Festival \$750 Band
 - Nancy Gilgrist \$100 Band
 - Donna Rummel \$20 Aerial
 - Robert and Donna Borlik \$500 Falloween

○ Moments that Matter	\$250	Falloween
○ Rannells Funeral Home	\$100	Falloween
○ RCH Autoplex	\$4500	Falloween

Mr. Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the donations and fundraisers as listed, and Mr. Jared Egger seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – September 7, 2021
2. Approve Claims – 1118 - 1236
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. John Drews Assistant Wrestling Coach, Urey Middle School
- b. Ellen Sarber Regular Route Bus Driver, John Glenn School Corporation
- c. Jennifer Day Nurse, Walkerton Elementary School
- d. Nancy Buford Instructional Aide, Walkerton Elementary School
- e. Stephanie Reynolds National Junior Honor Society Sponsor, Urey Middle School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Alexandria Sharp 7th Grade B-team Volleyball Coach, ½ pay, Urey Middle School
- b. Katy King 7th Grade B-team Volleyball Coach, ½ pay, Urey Middle School
- c. Sheryl Weber Regular Route Bus Driver, John Glenn School Corporation
- d. Chad Wright Assistant Football Coach, ½ pay, Urey Middle School
- e. Kelly Stanley Art Club Sponsor, North Liberty Elementary School
- f. Rhiley Hellyer Instructional Aide, 29 hours per week, North Liberty Elementary School
- g. Janice Allsop Temporary/Substitute Secretary, John Glenn School Corporation
- h. Jessica Ferguson Cafeteria Staff, 18.75 hours per week, North Liberty Elementary School
- i. Brendan Walter Art Club Sponsor, Walkerton Elementary School
- j. Kara Kaser SEL Club Sponsor, Walkerton Elementary School
- k. Madeline Smith Junior National Honor Society Sponsor, Urey Middle School
- l. Kristen Nicks Nurse, Urey Middle School

4. Approve Transfer Students

We currently have a total of 373 transfer students for the 2021-22 school year including the two that were approved at this meeting.

Mr. Ryan Knowlton made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1-4 and Mr. Dan Drotar seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Overnight Field Trip Request – FFA to Horse Judging National Championship

Mr. Winchell noted that this is an annual trip that the FFA Horse Judging Team takes. Per Board Policy, all overnight field trips require Board approval. Mr. Manering and Mr. McLochlin have submitted all required paperwork. Mr. Jared Egger made a motion to approve Overnight Field Trip Request – FFA to Horse Judging National Championship, and Mr. Ryan Knowlton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

2. Public Hearing Prior to Formal Bargaining

Mr. Winchell explained that state statute requires that the Board hold a public hearing concerning Teacher Contract Collective Bargaining before formal bargaining begins. The public hearing was opened at 8:01 P.M. There was no public comment. The hearing was closed at 8:03 P.M. Mr. Winchell plans to begin formal bargaining with the John Glenn Education Association on Wednesday September 22, 2021.

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

Mr. Winchell reminded the board that this is the resolution we pass each quarter to allow us to transfer an amount that we receive in our tuition support, to the operations fund to cover expenses that used to be budgeted in the old general fund that moved to the operations fund in HB1009. We are requesting to transfer \$141,666.67 in October and November, and \$141,666.66 in December. Mr. Bob Borlik made a motion to approve Resolution to Transfer Amounts from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund, and Mr. Dennis Holland seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of six to zero.

4. Approve Advertisement of 2022 Budget

Mr. Winchell noted that this is the first official step in the annual budget process. Mr. Bendy is requesting permission to advertise the 2022 Budget (not to exceed) as follows, Education Fund \$12,976,457, the Debt Service Fund \$2,257,681, the Retirement/Severance Bond Debt Fund \$100,334, the Rainy Day Fund \$300,000 and Operations Fund \$5,241,349 for a total of \$20,875,821. The rate to be advertised is \$1.3653.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- COVID Update – As reported at our last meeting, we had approximately 40 positive COVID cases with approximately 300 close contacts in quarantine. We then added an additional 8 positive cases with an additional 50 close contacts to conclude the week. The week of September 5-11th, we had 14 positive cases with 45 close contacts, and the week of September 12-18th, we had 14 positive cases with 45 close contacts. It does appear that masking is working to reduce the number of close contacts, but not cancelling out all positive cases.
- Fuel Project – We are continuing to make progress with the fuel project, partnering with the Town of Walkerton. Our Director of Facilities is doing a great job coordinating this effort.
- Head Start Expansion – We are continuing to make progress. All three attorneys have met, and they are in the process of working on a second draft of an MOU for this project.

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mr. Groves noted that the Board members are not administrators that handle day to day operations, rather, their job is to set and uphold board policy. It is the job of the Superintendent and his administrative team to handle the issues that come up from daily operation. He encouraged anyone who has questions or issues to follow the proper chain of command and work through the proper channels. The last thing we want to see happen is to have the school board meetings become politicized and a public spectacle. Everyone in our community has a voice, whether or not we agree. He truly believes that the community, the Board and the administrators are just trying to do what is right.

Mr. Borlik noted that he appreciates the large turnout at the meeting. No matter the opinion, it is valued. Members took notes and we thank you for sharing your opinions.

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

Falloween - September 24-26th - JGHS

No School – September 27th

Homecoming – October 1st - JGHS

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 5, 2021 Walkerton Elementary School Cafeteria 7PM

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bill Groves called the meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
