

- d. Connor Shreve Football Assistant Coach, Urey Middle School

Appointments

- a. Troy Sausaman Teacher, John Glenn High School
Head Varsity Football Coach, John Glenn High School
Strength & Conditioning Coach, John Glenn High School

Transfer

- a. Christopher Matthys Transfer from Part-time Teacher to Full-time Teacher, John Glenn High School

- b. Stephanie Wood Transfer from Instructional Aide to Building Secretary, John Glenn High School

- 4. Approve FMLA Requests
- 5. Conflict of Interest Statement

Mr. Ryan Knowlton made note that he would separate Consent Agenda Item #5 for voting purposes due to it being a Conflict-of-Interest Statement for Mr. Egger. Mr. Winchell explained that the company Mr. Egger works for, Belle Way Sales & Service, is completing work on one of our band trailers, necessitating a conflict-of-interest statement. Service stations for buses and equipment like this are becoming less common, and we may need to give Belle Way additional business in the future.

Mr. Jared Egger made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-4, and Mr. Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of five to zero. Mr. Winchell took a moment to welcome Mr. Sausaman to the JGSC Team.

Mr. Christian Mattix made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item #5, and Ms. Carissa Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of four to zero with one abstention.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Approve Overnight Field Trip – UMS Costa Rica Adventure

Mr. Winchell reminded the board that board policy requires special board approval for all overnight field trips. We have had some amazing high school field trips through our partnership with EF Educational Tours over the years. It has been a long time since Urey Middle School has done a trip. Many years ago, they used to go to Washington, D.C. under Mr. Davis’s leadership, and we also had a ski club that would travel to different ski resorts in Michigan. With the success we have had with trips at the high school, and the new administrative and teaching leadership at the middle school, they are excited to take a group of students on this adventure to Costa Rica with Dr. Fuller's guidance. Dr. Fuller added that this is an exciting opportunity for our students and shared some broad plans. While this trip is scheduled for the summer of 2027, we wanted prior approval from the board before making detailed plans. More details will be shared as they become available. Mr. Jared Egger made a motion to approve Overnight Field Trip – UMS Costa Rica Adventure, and Ms. Carissa Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of five to zero.

REPORTS

- 1. Assistant Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Patrick Fuller
Dr. Fuller reported the following:

- We are happy to announce that Walkerton Elementary School had a 100% IREAD pass rate for this school year. This is a HUGE distinction that not many schools can say they have accomplished. Mrs. Kaser and all her staff deserve a big shoutout for this amazing accomplishment. It has been 10 years since we have had a 100% pass rate.
- In addition, we had 134 second-grade students take the IREAD assessment. 66% of those students passed a test that assesses third-grade standards. We have set an unofficial goal of 66-75% of second-grade students passing the test. All students who did not pass will be offered remediation to help them cross the finish line.
- The ILEARN window opened last week. Most of our grade levels started testing this week. We wish all students and teachers the very best as they begin testing. We will test 900 students in grades 3-8 in ELA and Math, and then 5th and 6th Grade will add Social Studies and Science as well.
- The SAT scores are in at the high school, and they are fantastic. We improved our scores across the board. ELA scores are higher than they have been since 2020-2021, and Math scores improved by six points.
- Mrs. Kaser and Dr. Fuller traveled to Indianapolis last week to celebrate the 95% pass rate from last year's IREAD test.

2. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Christopher Winchell

Mr. Winchell reported the following:

- Mr. Winchell shared the 2026 Budget Order Analysis that was completed by Policy Analytics. You will likely remember that we asked them to complete a parcel-by-parcel analysis of the assessed value, which gave us a clear view of our circuit breaker losses in lieu of Senate Bill 1. This report is part two of the four-part analysis that Policy Analytics is completing for us. The complete report is available on our website. Mr. Winchell closed by noting that tax revenue is changing. There is a different sentiment in the Governor's office than there was with Governor Holcomb, which we will support, but we will also let them know where the pain points are for public education entities. Mr. Bendy and I pride ourselves on keeping the board informed about the changes coming and how they will affect our financial bottom line. We are closely monitoring the situation and making adjustments as appropriate. As it stands, the overall John Glenn tax rate is within one cent of the state average, and the tax revenue per student we collect is lower than 75% of all other schools in the state, or the 25th percentile. With our 100% graduation rate and 100% IREAD 3 scores, we remain a best buy in education for our students and taxpayers. This shows that John Glenn is in a very strong financial position, and we have been very frugal, even with the new programs we have begun and the facility updates we have completed. We should be very proud. However, if Senate Bill 1 remains unchanged, it will require us to cut 25% of our Operations Fund over the next four years. Without some other state revenue increase, we may very well need to consider a referendum.
- We are always looking to expand student programming. As you are aware, they have updated the high school diploma. One thing we haven't discussed yet is the push to ensure every student has some form of workplace experience before they graduate. We have been extremely successful with our students in the building trades and culinary arts programs. When they are in their second year of building trades, they are on our job site a few days a week, and the rest of the time they work for local companies. Second-year culinary students perform catering projects. We are always looking for ways to expand this type of programming, as we recently have with the culinary classes and the newest class, civil construction. We are looking to add another class, Building and Facility Maintenance. We have struggled at times to find qualified facility teammates. We hope that beginning this type of program will be threefold. It would start a new program for students; we could provide a capstone program with work placements/opportunities, and it could potentially lead to future facility teammates. We are working with the CTE consortium to iron out the details. Posting for the position is coming soon.

3. Conference Requests

a. Patrick Fuller

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 5, 2026 7:00 P.M. Admin Building Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ryan Knowlton called the meeting adjourned at 8:09 P.M.

PRES. _____

SEC'Y. _____
