

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the
Board of School Trustees
Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation**

**Greenfield-Central High School
810 W. Broadway Street
Greenfield, IN 46140
Monday, August 13, 2012**

Board Members Present: Mrs. Retta Livengood, President
Mr. Dan Leary, First Vice President
Dr. Michael Summers, Second Vice President
Mr. Dan Riley, Secretary
Mr. Kent Fisk, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Dan Strahl, School Board Attorney

Administration Present: Dr. Linda Gellert, Superintendent
Mrs. Ann Vail, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Tony Zurwell, Business Manager
Dr. Christy Hilton, Human Resources Director
Mrs. Donieta Ross, Executive Assistant to Superintendent

Others Present: Joey Johnson, Kathy Dowling, Harold Olin, Dan Jack, Jim Bever, David Beal, Rob Young, Julie Young, Taylor Young, Phil Stephenson, Nancy Nickels, Terry Miller, Thomas Visnack, Donna Visnack, Cathy Evans, Mark Logan, Emily Logan, Rachael Powell, Jeff Corlew, Patti Corlew, Kevin Horrigan, Joe McCain, Ted Ferrell, Stephen Burt, Lindsey Matthias, Kelly Delicath, Jaime Teaters, Becky Fernandes, Tammy Moore, Sarah Greulich, Scott Brown, Tori Padgett, Jobie Whitaker, Renee Hodge, Karen Edwards, Erin Day, Julie Morley, Clint Addington, Susan Nichter, Todd Reynolds, Melissa Reynolds, Tammi Benedict, Tracy Benedict, Nancy Landuyt, Kim Kile, Donnie Hibbert, Ashley Jones, Debbie Bechdolt, Katie Creamer, Peggy Dupnick, David Dupnick, Connie Hibbert, Steve Sturm, Leah Bewley, Kelly Delicath, Karen Edwards, Amanda Eid, Sarah Greulich, Joni Hornaday, Timothy Horsman, Rachael Powell, Aaron Smith, Kellie Tomey, Christy Harpold and Scott Stroud

- I. Mrs. Livengood led in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and called the August Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Mrs. Livengood read the Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation Celebrate Excellence Proclamation. Mrs. Ann Vail recognized 104 students and staff for various awards in instrument/vocal/dance and guard, sports and academia. Pictures were taken and mementos were handed out after each honoree was congratulated by school board members and Dr. Linda Gellert.

- II. Mr. Leary made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2012. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
- III. Mr. Zurwell presented claim dockets for review in the amount of \$3,800,541.18. The claim docket was presented for review prior to the Board meeting. After some discussion, Mr. Riley

made a motion to approve the claim docket. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

IV. Mr. Zurwell shared that June 2011 and 2012 fiscal years in regard to revenue. Reserves grew slightly due to revenue gained for those months. Mr. Zurwell stated that the annual financial report will be published between August 1st and 15th per Indiana law. All taxing funds for these months for both years had positive ending cash balances.

V. Dr. Gellert reported that construction is coming to a close at the high school and that Tony Heath from The Skillman Corporation will give a final review at the September Board Meeting.

School Board Attorney Dan Strahl presented the results of a survey for the residential drainage easement request near the Eden Elementary property. Mr. Strahl asked that the Board approve the easement with the right to change or move the pipe if the school needs to make future property improvements. Mr. Riley made a motion to approve the recommendation and Dr. Summers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

VI. Mrs. Vail presented the instruction report on the PISA (Program for International Student Assessment) assessment. Mrs. Vail provided a copy of the permission format to ask that parents allow their student to participate in testing. Assistant Principal Dan Jack explained the logistics of how they will select fifty students who are 15 years-old to take the exam. Results will be returned in summer 2013. Twenty-five of those selected will take the exam online. Mr. Fisk asked if there are any questions requesting information on social or sexual conduct. Mr. Jack replied there are no questions of that nature. Mr. Leary made a motion to approve the participation of Greenfield-Central students in the exam. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

VII. Mr. Zurwell presented the 2013 Budget to Board Members. Mr. Fisk made a motion to approve the request to advertise the 2013 Budgets as expressed in Form 3. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

Mr. Zurwell shared the 2013-2024 Bus Replacement Plan and 2013-2015 Capital Projects Plan for review. These items showed the summaries of each plan and will be adopted at the September board meeting.

VIII. The Social Worker Team gave their 2011-12 summary report. Susan Nichter reported on different classroom presentations on bullying, study skills and positive friendship. Scott Stroud reported on the lessons and activities prepared for bullying prevention and dating violence awareness. Christy Harpold discussed partnering with community groups to reinforce their programs. Mrs. Livengood asked if there could be some attention on alternative programs for vocational studies of students. Mr. Fisk shared that there is a need to identify students who are moving toward vocational or trade skills curriculum, and how to financially prepare for training and college credit. Mr. Leary acknowledged the need for parental workshops and asked if this was being offered. Mrs. Harpold shared that they plan to facilitate a “Strengthening Families Program” that may help better inform parents.

IX. Dr. Gellert offered preliminary discussion on current enrollments and classroom sizes. She reported that classroom sizes are being monitored to see if additional teachers or instructional assistants may be needed. The corporation was able to cut more than \$2 million in 2010, and Dr. Gellert stated that we need to sustain those cost-cutting measures. There will be two ADM

(Average Daily Membership) counts this school year, one in September and the other in February. Mr. Riley asked if the State still requires that Kindergarten students be counted as half ADM and if the other half will be covered through grant money. Dr. Gellert responded that we anticipate yes, schools will receive supplemental grant funding but with no certainty. Mr. Fisk expressed his concern that some classrooms have up to thirty students. He also shared discomfort that due to cuts in the State funding, our school corporation has lost more than twenty teachers. Dr. Gellert shared that while research does not conclusively support that classroom size affects learning, it is regrettable that class sizes have been impacted due to State funding cuts.

- X. Dr. Hilton presented the personnel recommendations and second reading of the spring 2013 out-of-unit coaching recommendations for approval. Mr. Fisk made the motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

Personnel recommendations included the following for hire: Leah Bewley, Kathleen Creamer, Kelly Delicath, Karen Edwards, Amanda Eid, Sarah Greulich, Joni Hornaday, Timothy Horsman, Ashley Jones, Rachael Powell, Aaron Smith, Jaime Teaters and Kellie Tomey; resignations: Gwen Burba, Kimberly Cook, Megan Contreras, Kylee Runyon and Marilyn Weiss.

ECA recommendations for 2012-13 sports season included: Denna Batton, junior varsity volleyball coach; Chelsea Caldwell, varsity assistant volleyball coach; Paula Culver, varsity assistant women's soccer coach; Rick Culver, freshman head football coach; Kaleigh Cruz, junior varsity cheer coach; Todd Dodson, junior varsity football coach; Amanda Eid, head women's soccer coach; Rusty Fields, junior high assistant football coach; Ed Hamant, varsity assistant wrestling coach, Justin Hiser, junior high assistant football coach, Christopher Scott Lucas; junior high assistant football coach, Robert Miller, freshman women's basketball coach; David Moline, 8th grade head football coach; John Nuckols, 7th grade head football coach; Chris Peters, freshman men's soccer coach; Christopher Phillips, junior high assistant football coach; Mark Redick, junior varsity men's soccer coach; Rita Rouse, varsity volleyball coach; April Shepard, freshman cheer coach; John Sosnowski, junior high assistant football coach; Michael Stanley, junior varsity wrestling coach; and Carrie Underwood, 8th grade volleyball coach.

ECA resignations for the 2012-13 sports season included: Joni Hornaday, 8th grade volleyball coach; John Howell, varsity assistant men's basketball coach; and Eric Rouse, varsity assistant volleyball coach.

- XI. Dr. Summers made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Riley seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

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