

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

**Greenfield-Central High School  
810 North Broadway Street  
Greenfield, IN  
April 8, 2013**

Board Members Present: Mrs. Retta Livengood, President  
Mr. Ray Kerkhof, First Vice President  
Mr. Steve Menser, Second Vice President  
Mr. Dan Leary, Secretary  
Ms. Kathy Dowling, 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  
Ms. Donieta Ross, Executive Assistant to Superintendent

Others Present: Kevin Horrigan, Stephen Burt, Michael Presley, Bill Wallace, Melissa Wallace, Randy Keller, Kim Keller, Tammy Beechboard, Erin Glover, James Glover, Lori Yeager, Jadon Yeager, Ken Walden, Linda Walden, Heather Levi, Susan Bryant, Angela Mitchell, Kathy Peters, Sheri Lukens, Ed Lukens, Lori Mayfield, Randall Shepherd, Sheryl Shepherd, Ron Ford, Rick Johnston, Leslie K. Dickmann, Theresa Jackley, Susie Coleman, David Beal, Mike Weidner, Rick Johnson, Janice Johnson, Karen Bell, Barb Fralick, Marti Dudley, Amanda Bradford, Kim Schrank, Kim McKee, Steve Owen, Chana Maxwell, Chirs Peters, Turhan Jordan, Melissa Thiery, Bob Rogers, Norma Rogers, Ena McClane, Shelton Oakes, Ken Langhans, Dale Langhans, Marna Gurnin, Ashleigh Richmond, Barbara Schuyler, Joey Johnson, Paul Yurchiak, Erin Day, Gary Maynard, Shelly Maynard, Bobbie Peplinski, Ron Posey, Susan Oakes, William Schini, Rita Peters, George Peters, Shelley Merkley, Dick Rose, Priscilia Rose, Dianna Oakes, Kelly O'Connor, Ruth Ayers, Brent McClarnon, Darryck Dorman, Kim McKee, Kim Bryant, Shane Bryant, Erika Galyean, Candy Short, Tina Foster, Carrie Foster, Dean Jackley, Kellie McCormick, Brent Hager, Emily Moore, Sarah Fitzgerald, Jack McQueeney, Pat McQueeney, Chris McQueeney, Cathy McClure, Dave Nickels, Nancy Nickels, Jacki Fall, Dawn Hanson, Shirley Huntsman, Greg Thompson, Kim Schrank, Kathy Clark, Jan Kehrt, Sally Yurchiak, Bill Segoe, Brandy Segoe, Randy Ballinger, Cheryl Ballinger, Jim Bodenreider, Julie Bruner, Lisa Edwards, Carri Bleck, Noelle Steele, Jim Bever, Lauren Prazeau, Alexandra Kern, Patrick Stutz, Stephen Dean, and Mary Evers

- I. Mrs. Livengood led the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance, and called the April Regular Meeting to order.

- A. Mrs. Livengood presented the Character Trait of the Month – Compassion.
  - B. Mrs. Livengood read the Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation Celebrate Excellence Proclamation and Mrs. Vail introduced Greenfield-Central High School Assistant Principal Susanna Coleman to present the spotlight presentation. High school students Lauren Prazeau, Patrick Stutz and Alexandra Kern shared their talent they performed for the Hancock County Community Foundation Icy Vaughn Competition. High school vocal teacher Mary Evers accompanied the students in their performances.
  - C. Following the spotlight presentation, Mrs. Vail recognized 191 students and staff for various awards in instrument/vocal/dance and guard, sports and academia. Pictures were taken and mementos handed out after each honoree was congratulated by Board members and Dr. Gellert.
- II. Mrs. Livengood suspended the Regular Board Meeting and called the Public Meeting for Additional Appropriations to order. Mrs. Livengood asked for public comments or questions. After receiving no comments, Mrs. Livengood closed the public hearing. Business manager Tony Zurwell made a recommendation that the Board adopt the Additional Appropriation Resolution for the Rainy Day Fund. Mr. Menser made a motion to approve the recommendation and Ms. Dowling seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
  - III. Mrs. Livengood adjourned the Public Meeting for Additional Appropriations and reconvened the Regular Board Meeting of the Greenfield-Central School Board of Trustees.
  - IV. Mrs. Livengood presented the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2013, the Executive Session of March 11, 2013 and the Executive Session of March 13, 2013. Mr. Kerkof made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Dowling second the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
  - V. Mr. Zurwell presented the April claim docket for review in the amount \$2,909,787.08. After discussion, Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the claim docket as presented. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
  - VI. Mr. Zurwell presented end-of-month reports for comparing the months of February 2012 and February 2013. Revenues exceeded expenditures in both years, so reserves grew. Mr. Zurwell noted that the Bus Replacement Fund had cash reserves accrued in 2011 towards purchasing buses in 2012. Mr. Zurwell noted that due to DLGF (Department of Local Government Finance) constraints, we will not be able to purchase any buses in 2013. Overall, both years showed positive ending cash balances.

VII. Mrs. Vail presented the instruction report on a new program targeting at-risk high school students. Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) identify students who will benefit from tutoring and mentorship. The local WorkOne center is leading an effort to secure grant funds and work with Greenfield-Central to implement the new program. The grant will support the salary of a teacher and provide necessary technology for students in the program. Ms. Dowling asked how we qualified for this program, and Dr. Gellert responded there were two factors, the percentage of free and reduced students and graduation rate. Mrs. Livengood shared that local Chamber members may be willing to partner with this program. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the implementation of the JAG program at Greenfield-Central High School for the 2013-2014 school year, pending funding support. Mr. Kerkhof seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

Mrs. Vail presented the Title I Summer School proposal at Greenfield Intermediate School. This program would provide a summer learning opportunity for 4 – 6 graders two weeks prior to the beginning of the regular school. Mr. Stephen Burt, corporation Title I program coordinator supports this proposal along with Principal Jim Bever. Mr. Leary made a motion to approve the recommendation and Ms. Dowling seconded. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

VIII. Dr. Gellert presented for second reading proposed policy changes for the 2013-14 school year for dispensing student over-the-counter medications. These policies would be included in the student handbooks for the upcoming school year. Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to approve the policy changes and Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

IX. Dr. Gellert presented for second reading the recommended language for the proposed student handbooks for the 2013-2014 school year. She noted that the principals recommended additional refinement in language for student attendance. Mr. Kerkhof shared concerns of setting the bar higher for athletes who violate the rules with substance abuse. He would like to see the policy reflect stricter enforcement. Dr. Gellert asked if he would be willing to participate on a committee to explore modifications to the athletic and student codes of conduct, and include athletic director Mr. Horrigan and others. Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to approve the recommended language for the proposed student handbooks. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0. Mr. Kerkhof also expressed an interest in serving on a committee to look further into modifying code for substance abuse.

X. Mr. Zurwell recommended that the Board accept donations as presented. He reported that the Greenfield Youth Football League (GYFL) would like to place eight low-rise sets of bleachers around the GYFL practice fields. High School Athletic Director Mr. Horrigan is supportive of this project. The total amount of the donations was \$8800.00. Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to approve the donations with gratitude and Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

XI. Dr. Gellert presented recommendations to move School Board Meetings that will occur over Fall Break 2013 and 2014 to an earlier date that will not conflict: October 14, 2013, to September 30, 2013; and from October 13, 2014, to September 29, 2014. The new board meeting dates are consistent with dates proposed by neighboring Hancock County school districts. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the recommendations and Mr. Menser seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- XII. Mrs. Vail presented for first reading the 2013 K-6 Core Reading Program Textbook Adoption. Mrs. Vail introduced members of the textbook adoption project team, Marti Dudley, Amanda Bradford, Kim Schrank, and Kim McKee, to present the process of learning to read. Mr. Kerkhof asked about the acronym (RTI) and how that related to Reading. Mrs. Dudley explained that (RTI) Response to Intervention provides additional support given to students to help when challenged. The Tier 1 and 2 textbooks are available for public examination until the May 13, 2013, School Board meeting.
- XIII. Dr. Hilton presented the personnel recommendations for approval. Ms. Dowling made the motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Steve Menser seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

Certified personnel recommendations for the 2012-13 school year included the following: Staci Thompson, resignation and Lynn Coers, retirement.

Certified personnel recommendations for the 2013-14 school year included the following: Jessica Heck, full-time status and Kelly Swain-Leswing, half-time status.

ECA recommendations for the 2012-13 sports season: Harold Gibson, junior varsity baseball coach and Mark Vail, varsity assistant baseball coach.

Supplemental contract recommendations for high school summer session 2013 included the following: Arnold Flannery, driver's education; David Hines, high school government; Josh Holden, physical education; Emily Logan, physical education; Jared Manning, physical education; Ron Paul, driver's education; David Pressley, driver's education; Aaron Smith, algebra; Ron Stryzinski, pre-calculus; Mark Vail, driver's education, and Russell Wiley, physical education.

Dr. Hilton conveyed the junior high and high school coaching summaries for the first reading of the winter 2013 out-of-unit recommendations.

- XIV. Mr. Menser presented a resolution to support wrestling in the 2020 Olympic Games. After reading the resolution, Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Kerkof seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0. Mr. Menser stated that the approved resolution will be sent to the International Olympic Committee.
- XV. Mr. Leary made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Kerkof seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

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**Executive Session Summary  
of the  
Board of School Trustees  
Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation  
Greenfield-Central High School  
810 North Broadway  
Greenfield, IN 46140  
Monday, April 8, 2013  
6:00 P.M.**

The Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation Board of School Trustees met in Executive Session on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. for the opportunity to discuss litigation, confidential records, employee job performance, and school safety and security measures, plans, and systems.

The meeting was advertised pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (4). All undersigned certify that no subject matter was discussed in the executive session other than litigation, confidential records, employee job performance, and school safety and security measures, plans, and systems.

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