

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

**Administration Center
110 W. North Street
Greenfield, IN
March 10, 2014**

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, Associate Superintendent
Dr. Christy Hilton, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Tony Zurwell, Business Manager
Ms. Donieta Ross, Executive Assistant to Superintendent

Others Present: David Beal, Sandy Miller, Grant Gellert, Terry Gellert, Lucy Gellert, Jim Mayfield, Peggy Pritzke, Kathy Clark, Stephen Burt, Jim Bever, Josh Johnson, Joanna Johnson, Brad Bowman, Ginay Bowman, Bill Redmon, Ethan Starkey, Scott Starkey, Clara Starkey, Joey Johnson, Candy Short, Dan Jack, Greg Thompson, Susie Coleman, Devon Marine, Jeff Sincroft, Kim Kile, Sarah Greulich, Jobie Whitaker, Harold Olin, Lori Olin, Caleb Olin, Joshua Olin, Leah Olin, Mattie Bowman, Brenton Smith, Brady Johnson, Trina Griesmeyer, Kari Sisk

- I. Mrs. Livengood led the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance, and called the March Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
 - A. Mrs. Vail introduced Greenfield-Central High School Principal Steve Bryant who introduced the two Greenfield-Central Finalists of the Lilly Endowment Scholarship. Mr. Bryant introduced Grant Gellert and Clara Starkey and read excerpts from each student's application. Ms. Kari Sisk from the Hancock County Community Foundation gave a brief presentation about the blind process involved in the selection of the eight finalists from Hancock County schools. Ms. Sandy Miller and Ms. Sisk presented the two finalists with certificates of Award. School board members congratulated both finalists and their families.
 - B. Mrs. Livengood presented the Character Trait of the Month – Dependability.
 - C. Weston Elementary Principal Stephen Burt introduced Trina Griesmeyer who shared classroom adaptations she has adopted to help students stay engaged

titled “students on the move”. Students Mattie Bowman, Brenton Smith, and Brady Johnson demonstrated three seating options utilized in Mrs. Griesmeyer’s classroom: standing desks, stability balls and foot bicycles. Mrs. Griesmeyer has found that these active seating options help keep the students developmentally on track and engaged.

- II. Mrs. Livengood called for approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2014; the Executive Sessions of February 10, 2014, February 26, 2014, and the Special Session and Public Hearing of February 26, 2014. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the recommendations and Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
- III. Mr. Zurwell presented the March claim docket for review in the amount \$3,286,019.97. After review, Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to approve the claim docket as presented and Mr. Menser seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.
- IV. Mr. Zurwell presented reports for the months ending January 2013 and 2014. Mr. Zurwell shared that expenses had increased due to three pay periods on payroll for January 2014. Mr. Zurwell shared information on free and reduced statistics which included a comparisons of all the schools in Hancock County. Most funds ended the month positively.
- V. Mrs. Vail presented the Walker Career and Technical Education Operating Agreement that describes the terms for which students attend the center and states what the tuition fees are per student. Cost for Greenfield-Central student tuition will remain at \$3200. Greenfield-Central is continuing to plan for bus transportation to Walker Career in the 2014-15 school year. Mr. Kerkhof asked if the high school has noticed an increase in enrollment for these career classes with the addition of bus transportation next year. Mr. Bryant stated there is a slight increase but anticipates it will be two years before we see a noticeable change. Mr. Menser made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Walker Career and Technical Education Operating Agreement. Ms. Dowling seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

In addition Mrs. Vail presented an Agreement for Project Lead The Way (PTLW), as well as a new Pilot Course Participation Addendum for Greenfield-Central High School. The Pilot class enhances the PTLW program with a new course in biological engineering, BioE. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve the Agreement and Addendum as presented. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- VI. Dr. Gellert presented for second reading the draft NEOLA by-laws and policies. She emphasized that Codes of Conduct recommendations will be addressed in Student Handbooks. Mr. Leary asked for clarification on policy 0164.4, section E. He asked when opportunities would arise for Board members to meet and discuss an industrial or commercial prospect. Mr. Strahl noted this opportunity was noted in Indiana Code so should be included in Policy. Mr. Menser referred to the possibility that Board members may sit on economic development committees. Mr. Menser made a motion to approve the policies as presented. Mr. Kerkhof seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- VII. Mr. Zurwell presented a request by Greenfield Central Junior High School to purchase a “piano saver” humidity control device for \$450 with Fine Arts ECA funds. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve this purchase. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

Mr. Zurwell presented for approval the recommendation for two individuals to serve on a Common Construction Wage Committee for summer work projects. Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to select Mr. Tony Zurwell and Mr. Dan Strahl as representatives on the committee for the Maxwell Intermediate campus summer project. Ms. Dowling seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- VIII. Peggy Pritzke, Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation appointee to the Hancock County Public Library Advisory Board, shared her annual report. Mrs. Pritzke reported several staff changes and complimented that the new director, Dave Gray, brings a new set of technology skills to the library. She also highlighted the latest digital library services added in 2013. Mrs. Livengood expressed the Board’s appreciation for Mrs. Pritzke’s service on their behalf to the library board.

- IX. Dr. Hilton shared that the Indiana Department of Homeland Security has opened round two of the Secured School Safety Grant. This second grant will continue to fund the second G-C School Resource Officer, update an electronic entry system to J. B. Stephens, purchase additional two-way radios and add an electronic visitor management system for each school building. Ms. Dowling made a motion to approve submittal of the Round Two 2015 Secured School Safety Grant and to allow subsequent approval of the Board President and Board Secretary signatures. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- X. Dr. Gellert recommended approval for Greenfield Central Junior High School honor students to travel to Kings Island, Mason, Ohio, on (or about) May 30, 2014. Mr. Menser made a motion to approve this out-of-state field trip. Mr. Kerkhof seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- XI. School Board attorney Dan Strahl presented a recommendation for Dr. Harold Olin as Superintendent of Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation effective July 1, 2014. Mr. Kerkhof made a motion to approve the recommendation. Ms. Dowling seconded the motion. Mrs. Livengood called for a roll call vote: Mr. Leary – yes; Mr. Kerkhof – yes; Mrs. Livengood – yes; Mr. Menser – yes; and Ms. Dowling – yes. The motion was approved, 5 - 0. Dr. Olin accepted with gratitude, and introduced his family to the Board.

After discussion, Dr. Gellert presented the recommendation of Mr. Dan Jack as Principal of Greenfield Central Junior High School effective July 1, 2014. Ms. Dowling made a motion to accept the recommendation. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

- XII. Dr. Hilton presented the personnel recommendations for approval. Ms. Dowling made the motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Mr. Menser seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

A. Certified personnel recommendations: Diane Gardner, retirement.

B. ECA recommendation for the 2013-14 sports season: Olivia Barnhart, volunteer softball coach; Brian Burkhart, volunteer track coach; Gary Cerqua, volunteer high school cheer coach; Rick Culver, volunteer track coach; and Kayla Patterson, assistant high school swim coach.

XIII. Mr. Kerkhof recognized the staff and administrators who helped with the gas line excavation at Maxwell Intermediate School on February 27, 2014. Special thanks were offered to Tony Zurwell and Jobie Whitaker for their extra efforts to supervise the project and make contingency plans for students.

XIV. Mr. Menser made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 5 – 0.

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