

# GARDNER – SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

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## BOARD BRIEFS

### Highlights of the Regular Meeting

### APRIL 17, 2013

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#### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

There was more discussion this month regarding the bills presented for the month of April. Superintendent Perrott informed the board that we are now at a total of \$35,990.00 for work related to the TIF issue and GSW vs. Village of Gardner.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

NONE.

#### **PRINCIPAL REPORT**

Principal John Engelman reported on the following:

- PSAE Prep & Testing = Students have been involved in PSAE test review sessions for English and Math. Mrs. Heerdt is also going to meet with ALL Juniors and any other students taking the PSAE on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> for test taking tips. Testing will be next week on April 23 & 24. On April 24, the Freshman and Sophomore class students will be taking the EXPLORE & PLAN tests. Seniors will NOT be in attendance at school on April 23 & 24, 2013.
- School Improvement Planning Committee = This committee has been meeting to create a School Wide Writing Rubric for all teachers to use next school in all subjects. GSW is setting a district wide standard for writing in all subjects areas.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS – SEATING OF NEW BOARD**

Mr. Perrott informed the board members that the *unofficial* election results as of 8:45 am on 4/10/13 are as follows:

- James K. Riley = 246 at 16.36%
- Allison L. Wright = 325 at 21.61%
- Cindy L. Gerber = 274 at 18.22%
- David R. Doglio = 343 at 22.81%
- Craig C. Male = 316 at 21.01%

Voters were to vote for four candidates to fill 4-year full terms.

Mr. Perrott does not believe that there will be much change between now and the April 30 final results. The Grundy County Clerk's office indicated that all the absentee and early votes are counted. There may be several military votes left to add. **Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** is the last day for the County Clerk to canvass election results and proclaim winners. Then the GSW board secretary transmits official election results to the GSW BOE. **Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, GSW will hold a Special GSW BOE meeting before the May 7 deadline to seat new member and re-organize board. **Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>** is the last day for the school board to re-organize by seating new members, electing officers and setting a time and place for regular meetings.

#### **COUNTY SCHOOL FACILITY TAX**

Mr. Perrott told the board that Coal City School District will be hosting an information and question meeting for all county school boards on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Coal City High School to go over the facility tax proposal. Dr. Bugg from Coal City will forward the procedure regarding posting the meeting so GSW HS can meet with OMA. Mr. Perrott also distributed hard copies of the proposal to each board member.

#### **ACTIVITY BUS LEASE EXTENSION**

Mr. Perrott would like GSW to renew the Activity Bus (Panther Bus) lease for two years with Midwest Transit.

## **LAST DAYS OF STUDENT/TEACHER ATTENDANCE FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR**

Due to the weather related school closing on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, GSW has to push the last day of student attendance to Thursday, May 23 and the last day of teacher attendance / teacher institute to Friday, May 24.

## **IASB RESOLUTION SUBMITTAL**

The Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) has invited all school boards in the state to submit resolutions to be discussed at the fall IASB Delegate Assembly.

## **EMAIL HOST**

Ben Seeman, IT manager, has researched a number of ways to help GSW HS run district technology more efficiently and cost effectively. Mr. Seeman is suggesting that GSW move from hosting our own email to using a “cloud” based solution. Even with the cost of the service, we can save money and work-hours that it takes to maintain our email servers. Mr. Perrott will be asking for board approval to proceed with looking into an External E-Mail Host.

## **SCHOOL FEES 2013-14**

Mr. Perrott recommended that the fees remain the same for the upcoming school year. A copy of the Fee Form was distributed to each board member. This action item was TABLED until all 7 board members are present at the MAY meeting to vote on.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Building Items:
  - A new fire-alarm “call out system” has been installed. The old system was operational did not have the ability to automatically self check the phone line that it used to call emergency services. The new call-out system self checks the connection constantly throughout the day.
  - Automatic door closers for the cafeteria were installed during Spring Break. The closers on the doors are activated during a fire alarm.
  - Trouble-shooting, wire tracing, repairs and replacements have been made to the gym area fire/smoke alarms during Spring Break.
  - Regarding snow sliding off the west side of the gym roof = The roofing contractors and architects recommended “snow pegs” that can be installed by gluing the pegs to the existing roof. The recommendation is that approximately 130 pegs be installed across the west side of the roof. The approximate cost is \$4,900 from the Alder Roofing estimate.
  - Boiler inspection was completed and approved by the state. GSW received the inspection certificate.
  - Walter Debelak, Head of Maintenance, has recycled \$4,875.52 of scrap metal from last summer’s building projects.
- The Baseball coaches carry the AED to all games. Mr. Perrott has asked Ms. Spiezio (Athletic Director beginning Fall 2013) to look into another device for softball coaches to carry to the games. Ms. Spiezio is looking into some grants at this time thru Morris Hospital.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- Retain Head Volleyball Coach for the 2013-14 school year = Melissa Cardone
- Approval of the Academic Service Coordinator Contract = Angel Dallio
- Approval of Resignation of Part-time Kitchen Assistant = Lori Mack
- Approval of hiring Part-time Kitchen Assistant = Heather Demarse
- Acceptance of Scholastic Bowl Sponsor Resignation = Lara Fatka
- Approval of hiring Business Education Teacher for 2013-14 school year = Christopher Gibson
- Approval of hiring Head Basketball Coach for 2013-14 school year = Christopher Gibson
- Approval of hiring Assistant Baseball Coach for 2013-14 school year = Christopher Gibson

- Approval of hiring Business Club Sponsor for 2013-14 school year = Christopher Gibson
- Retain JV Volleyball Coach for the 2013-14 school year = Chris Moeller
- Retain Cross-Country Coach for the 2013-14 school year = Larry Lane
- Approval of Activity Bus (Panther Bus) Lease Extension for 2-years
- Approval of last days of Student/Teacher attendance for 2013-14 school year, with Thursday, May 23 as Student last attendance day and Friday, May 24 as Teacher last attendance day (Teacher Institute)
- Approval to pursue an External E-Mail Host
- School Fees for 2013-14 school year = TABLED
- Approval of hiring part-time Summer Office Help = Alison Perkins
- Approval of May 2, 2013 Special Meeting at 7:00 PM.
- Approval to cancel the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for the month of April = April 24, 2013 meeting

### **Superintendent Information Items:**

- FOIA Requests = No requests for the month of March
- PSAE Testing = April 23 & 24
- Board Member Workshop= Information is available from Mr. Perrott for members needing to attend state required training.
- Prom is Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> with walk-in at 5:30 PM and Prom from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. Prom Lock-in will again be at Legends Sportsplex (formerly Hidden Cove) in Bradley/Bourbonnais.
- Fine Arts Night will be held on Monday, May 6 at 7:00 PM in the GSW HS gymnasium
- GSW Athletic Booster Golf Outing is Saturday, June 8. Anyone interested in golfing can contact GSW Athletic Director Shane Tucker
- GSW HS Graduation is Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in the GSW HS gymnasium
- NHS Blood Drive is Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 6:30 PM in the GSW HS cafeteria
- Academic Awards Night is Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the GSW HS gymnasium
- Spring Play will be Sat, April 27 and Sun, April 28
- GAVC March Director Award Winner was Joshua McGraw
- NHS Service Projects = NHS had a very successful Hat Day on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Students and teachers were very kind and donated above what was expected. NHS raised \$240. NHS members decided to round up and match the funds raised and purchase 2 gift cards totaling \$500.00 to donated to a local family in need. NHS has also sent 11 boxes of single serving food / snack items to 4 different servicemen who are serving in the United States. NHS will be sending 8 more boxes to 2 different locations overseas. One unit Japan and one unit in Afghanistan will receive food boxes.

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUESTS**

- NONE

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

President: David Doglio

Vice-President: Pam Brooks

Joe Elens, Matt Finn, Cindy Gerber,

Craig Male, Rita Wright

Principal: John Engelman

Superintendent: Michael Perrott