

GARDNER-SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
GARDNER, IL 60424

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2013
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Gardner-So. Wilmington High School Board of Education, Counties of Grundy and Kankakee, IL was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President David Doglio.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright. Also in attendance were Superintendent Mr. Michael Perrott and Principal Mr. John Engelman. All members were present "in person."

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES: February 20, 2013 (Regular & Closed Meetings) Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the meeting minutes for the month of February (*with correction to sentence regarding TIF money spent*).

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & PAYROLL: Mrs. Wright motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the bills for the month of *March* and payroll for the month of *February*.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the Financial Reports for the month of *February*.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jennie Rodgers, GSW HS student, addressed the board about cutting the current Art Program down to a 3/7 position. She gave the board members a petition signed by 155 students at GSW to show their support for the Art Program. Dakota Beegle, a GSW HS senior, put together this petition and circulated it for signatures.

Mrs. Sara Rodgers, a GSW HS parent, talked about how the incoming 8th grade students were told at their 8th Grade Registration Night that they could take Art classes and now the program is being cut down to 3/7. She asked the board members not to reduce the Art program. She said there is student interest and not a lack of student numbers.

OTHER REPORTS AND ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- **Principal Report** = Principal John Engelman reported on the following:
 - PSAE Testing = GSW has started PSAE Prep for our Juniors. We have 6 days of review thus far and after Spring Break we will get another 9 days of review in before the tests at the end of April (April 23 & 24). Mr. Perrott, Mr. Engelman and Ms. Kilmer have all met with the students and have talked about the testing, as well as presenting the students with incentives.
 - Rewards = GSW has continued this year with monthly drawings for our "Step It Up Program"

- Safety = We continue to try and keep GSW HS a safe place for our students. Grundy County Police were present with the “K9 unit/drug dog” to do a search of the building. We are proud to say that nothing was found. There was also a random search of students performed as they entered the building on March 13th.
- Blood Drive = April 18th from 2:00 to 6:30 PM sponsored by NHS.
- Black & White Dance = was held on Sat, March 9th from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. Ms. Kris Spiezio supervised the dance and “did a great job”.
- Military Box Drive = NHS is collecting various items from March 18 to 22 that they will send to some of the soldiers who have graduated from GSW.
- **Student Handbook** = Mr. Engelman, Mr. Perrott, teachers and several parents have reviewed the student handbook. The board members received copies of the recommendations. The board agreed on all the suggested changes and new language, with the exception of one amendment.
- **School Calendar** = Mr. Perrott and Mr. Engelman reviewed the School Calendar with the Grade Schools one last time since the February board meeting. The board members reviewed the final copy of the GSW calendar compared to other area school calendars. This will be an action item.
- **Building Items** = Superintendent Perrott reported on the following projects / building items:
 - A new fire-alarm “call out system” is being installed this Friday March 22. The call out system sends a message to the fire department if an alarm is triggered. The old “call out” system is operational but the new system being installed runs a daily test to assure that it is working. If the call out system is not working we are contacted.
 - The door closers for the cafeteria are being installed during spring break. The closers on the doors are activated if a fire alarm is triggered.
 - Additional testing and upgrading of the fire detection / fire alert devices in the gym wing of the building is being done during the spring break.
 - We had an incident with snow sliding off of the west side of the gym roof. After a recent snow, a pile of snow/ice slide off the roof and landed where cars are normally parked. A conversation was had with Scott Anderly / architect who in turn talked to the manufacturer. The architect is getting us information about a snow retention product that the roof manufacturer approves that will not void our roof warranty.
 - We are scheduling the Gym floor yearly refinishing for late July / early August.
- **School District Library Program Grant Award** = As requirement of the State District Library Program grant that we receive from the State of Illinois, the BOE must acknowledge / review our library. Mr. Perrott reviewed some of the services that our GSW HS library provides. Mrs. Becky Morgan, Librarian, “does a great job at keeping the students interested in reading and providing materials to faculty, staff & students”.
- **Grundy County Reciprocal Reporting Agreement** = Every year we sign a reciprocal reporting agreement with Grundy County Sheriff. The agreement allows /encourages the sharing of serious discipline information about students with the sheriff and they share information with us about events that are occurring in the area. This agreement continues to strengthen the relationship that GSW has with the Sheriff’s Department.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **NONE**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon the recommendation of the President, Mr. David Doglio, Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to go into closed session at 8:50 p.m.

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- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

REGULAR SESSION: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to return to regular session at 11:10 p.m.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to approve the Athletic Director Job Description.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION DENIED: 7-0.

ACADEMIC SERVICES COORDINATOR JOB DESCRIPTION: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the Academic Services Coordinator Job Description.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ACCEPT TEACHER RESIGNATION: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to accept Math Teacher Resignation, Shane Tucker.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ACCEPT TEACHER RESIGNATION: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to accept Business Teacher Resignation, Justin Stevenson.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ACCEPT SPONSOR RESIGNATION: Mrs. Wright motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to accept Pantherette Sponsor Resignation, Michelle Scaccia.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR TEACHER REDUCTION IN FORCE (RIF) MATH: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to Adopt and Approve a Resolution for Teacher Reduction in Force (RIF) Math.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR TEACHER REDUCTION IN FORCE (RIF) ART: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to Adopt and Approve a Resolution for Teacher Reduction in Force (RIF) Art.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

HIRE ACADEMIC SERVICES COORDINATOR: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to hire Angel Dallio as Academic Services Coordinator for the 2013-14 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Wright motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the School Calendar for the 2013-2014 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

IHSA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to approve the IHSA Membership Renewal.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT HANDBOOK: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Student Handbook for 2013-14 school year, with changes as presented and amended.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

GRUNDY COUNTY RECIPROCAL REPORTING AGREEMENT: Mrs. Wright motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the Grundy County Reciprocal Reporting Agreement.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

HIRE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to hire Kristine Spiezio as Athletic Director for 2013-14 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MARCH 27, 2013 MEETING: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to cancel the 2nd meeting for the month of March (March 27, 2013).

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION ITEMS: Superintendent Perrott reviewed the following:

- **FOIA Requests** = Mayor of Braceville, James Homa sent a request for the school name change information that was taken from the surveys and the power points that were used in the presentation to the community.
- **National Honor Society** = NHS Induction Ceremony was held on Monday, March 11 at 6:00 PM. 12 students were inducted this year.
- **Illinois Association of School Boards Recognition of GSW Board Member** = David Doglio received recognition for his participation in the IASA Delegate Assembly.

- **Skills USA – State Championship Qualifiers** = GSW has 4 students competing in the state level competition in Springfield on April 11-13. All four of these young men are in Welding at GAVC. They are Cody Harvey, Kaidon Hibler, Vaughan Reed, and Anthony Garrett.
- **School District Library Program Grant Award** = GSW has received \$735 from the state for library materials/ resources/ subscriptions.
- **ISBE Certificate of Recognition** = GSW has met the standards for public schools set forth in the School code. A copy of the certification is hanging in BOE room.
- **GAVC Director Award Winner for February 2013** = Kaidon Hibler was February's selection for Welding at GAVC.
- **Heavy Equipment Technology Program** = We have two students who have completed the application process and have been invited to the 150 training facility for interviews. The parents have also been invited to this meeting for introduction to the facility and program.
- **Summer 2013 Internship Initiative** = There are three GSW students that have submitted an application for an internship this summer. There were three or four business partners that were offering internships. The students will next be invited to interview with the internship position that they applied for.
- **Academic Awards Night** = will be held on Tuesday, April 30th at 7:00 PM
- **Spring Play** = will be held on April 27 (Sat) & April 28 (Sun).

BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUESTS:

- Athletic / Sponsor Banners = Mr. Perrott had Mr. Tucker check with the IHSA regarding banners and signage that could be hung. There are no restrictions.

ADJOURN: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 p.m.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

PRESIDENT, DAVID DOGLIO

SECRETARY, CARLA HUSTON