GARDNER-SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
GARDNER, IL 60424

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2014
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 7:01 p.m. by President David Doglio.

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

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES: January 15, 2014 (Regular & Closed minutes) and January 21, 2014 (Building & Grounds Committee Meeting minutes). Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Palermo to approve the meeting minutes for the month of January 2014.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & PAYROLL: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the bills for the month of *February* and payroll for the month of *January*.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Financial Reports for the month of *January*.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Correspondence = None.
Audience = No comments.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:
Principal's Report = Mr. John Engelman, Principal, reported on the following:

- ACT Prep classes are currently underway. They are held every Wed and Fri at 7:00 AM. There are 29 students participating. English, Math, Science and Reading are being reviewed by our GSW teachers.
- MAP testing – the Winter Term is finished. This is our 2nd year participating in the MAP testing program. We will also be participating in the PARCC "pilot testing" this Spring. It will be an on-line test that selected students will take. The PARCC will replace the PSAE (Prairie State Achievement Exam) that is given to Juniors in the spring.
- Girls Basketball = ended their season with 11-15 record.
- Boys Basketball = current have an 8-3 record in the Conference and 11-11 overall record. GSW HS will be hosting the Boys Basketball Regionals the last week of February (Feb 24 to 28).
- Scholastic Bowl Team = current 9-1 record. Mrs. Susan Heerdt is the coach this year.

- April 8, 2014 at 2:00 PM = The Grundy County Health Department will be at GSW for a student assembly to discuss Health Awareness. This is part of Public Health Awareness Week.
- Road to Reality – was cancelled on Monday, Feb 17th due to dangerous weather conditions. It is rescheduled for Monday, March 3rd at 6:00 PM. Tours will start at 6:00 PM and will run every 10-mins. The last tour departs at 8:30 PM.

First Reading of Board Policy Revisions/Additions = The first reading of the following Board Policy Revisions/Additions = 2:70, 2:70-E, 2:80, 2:80-E, 2:100, 2:105, 2:110, 2:120, 2:120-E-2, 2:120-E, 2:125 were distributed to the board members and reviewed by Mr. Perrott in open session.

Maintenance Grants / Energy Grants = Mr. Perrott reported to the board that GSW HS did not receive the Energy Grant that we applied for several months ago. Each project submitted from around the state was given a priority value and the top 90+/- were selected. Our project for heating upgrades fell into the low 100's. If there are more funds available maybe our project will move up.
We were approved for a $50,000 matching grant for upgrades and projects as discussed and shown in attached document. Perrott reported that including this grant GSW has received a total of $120,000 in matching grants from the state within the last three years.
We have the opportunity to apply for a second round of the maintenance grant. Mr. Perrott is proposing that we put brickwork and the upgrade to the marquee. Mr. Engelman and Mr. Perrott met with a rep from a local sign company to get prices on a new marquee to install on the front lawn.
Perrott will prepare the second round grant application and submit it by the end of next week.

Grundy County Reciprocal Reporting Agreement = Mr. Perrott is recommending that GSW High School again participate in this agreement. Grundy County Law Enforcement and the High School share information regarding incidents and students / persons involved in those incidents. A copy of the Agreement was distributed to board members for review.

Local 150 Training Program = GSW has been invited to allow interested students to submit applications for this program. The program is a partnership between WILCO Area Career Center and Local 150 Operating Engineers. The cost to the program will similar to our cost to the send a student to GAVC – Grundy Area Vocational Center in Morris. A student's application is not a guarantee of acceptance into the program. Students are interviewed and drug tested. This year we have one student from GSW that was accepted and is currently participating in this program.

Asbestos Removal Project = Mr. Perrott is proposing to enter into the bid process for removal of windows with asbestos calking. The project will begin the week after school is out and be completed in a week's time. This project needs to be completed before brickwork at the stage windows, hallways, and band room can be completed.

Pre-Registration for School Year 2014-2015 = We are putting together a pre-registration process for the upcoming school year. A timetable of this process was handed out to board members.

Registration at GSW HS for all incoming Freshmen (current 8th graders) was held tonight (Wed night) Feb. 19, 2014 at 6:00 PM. Possibly all forms will be collected and General Fees of $85 could be paid at this time.

On Monday, March 31, 2014, we will send home registration packets with each current student at GSW HS. Packets will include bus form, parking space form, doctor form, athletic forms, Blackboard connect phone number form, and a form printed thru TeacherEase making sure all info and contacts have not changed. Also, a letter from Ms. Christensen (bookkeeper) stating the general school fees of $85 may be paid at this time. Monday, April 14, 2014 will be the deadline when all forms and fees should be returned to GSW HS. We will also send out an alert message to ALL parents to remind them to turn in packets/money. On April 21, 2014 our registrar will go through and see how many forms were returned and the amount of general fees that were paid. We will then decide what date our Online Registration will begin and end. Class schedules will be mailed home to all students in early July. We are looking into an on-line Lunch Program thru TeacherEase which will allow parents to view a student's lunch account and balance. We are still waiting on further details regarding fees / set-up, etc.

School District Calendar For 2014-2015 = Mr. Engelman is working with the area High Schools, GAVC, and Grade schools to put together a school calendar for next year. Board members were given the preliminary calendar for 2014 -15. We still need more time to review with the Grade schools and GAVC in Morris and plan to have the final calendar approved in March.

School Board Strategic Planning Work Session = Don Kachur Illinois ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum) / Illinois State University Emeritus has agreed to facilitate a strategic planning session / board work session at GSW on Thursday, March 6th. Dr. Kachur will lead the board through a planning session.

Morris Summer Driver Education = Once again Morris High School has requested the use of one of our driver education vehicles. Morris pays us for the mileage and brings it back clean and with an oil change. This has worked out well for us the last few years. Mr. Perrott's recommendation is to approve this arrangement.

Appellate Court Hearing Regarding TIF Agreement = Mr. Perrott received a notice from the Appellate Court in Ottawa scheduling our oral argument before the Court on Tuesday, February 25th at 9:00 AM. The Village will speak first for 15 minutes, then the GSW attorney will speak for 15 minutes, and then the Village will have an additional 5 minutes. Mr. Perrott invited all board members who could make it to attend. Presenting to the court will be our attorney, Mr. Kenneth M. Florey, Robbins Schwartz.

Other items = The Joliet Slammers have approached the Area Schools about having a BGSW community night. The area superintendents met and picked Sunday, June 8 as the best day. Tickets are $10. The schools receive $5 dollars back per ticket. The Slammers reserve a section for us and some other perks. We will sell tickets to all interested community members.

OLD BUSINESS:

Student GPA – Grade Scale = The Grading committee met on Wed, February 12th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM. Three parents, three teachers, one board member, Mrs. Jennifer Kilmer, Guidance Counselor and Principal Mr. John Engelman were in attendance. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 20 at 5:00 pm.

Internet Service = Mr. Logan Murray, IT Director, has been in contact with a specialist from MediaCom and he said that they were unable to provide internet to GSW due to Franchise Agreements. They do offer service on Rice Road, Jackson, and Elm Street, BUT not us. Mr. Perrott has asked Logan to put together a recommendation for Internet service for the next board meeting.

Building/Grounds =

- Front Entrance: In progress. The beam has been wrapped and the front door frame and window have been measured. We have 2 bids – one with a framed window and one with a non-framed window. Fabrication should be 3-6 weeks.
- Baseball fence: Mr. Perrott made a call to a fence contractor that fixed our baseball fence last spring. He is coming out to look at the netting that catches foul balls and give us a bid on repairs / upgrade.
- Boiler: We are waiting on the burner / burner control. Mr. Perrott has called the insurance inspector. He said that there is "nothing really telling or forensic" in the report that he received. Just the facts were reported "that it failed and what was broke." "If there was information that would help prevent another incident" they would tell us so we could fix it and they wouldn't have to pay another claim.
- Tile floors trainings: Mr. Perrott is looking into getting our maintenance team trained in asbestos tile floor removal. There are some upcoming workshops / training sessions in the Bloomington area.
- Summer: Mr. Adam Leigh is going to run the cleaning crew this summer. Mr. Debelak (maintenance) is going to tackle the various maintenance projects. We may have to hire one additional summer person, as we did last year.
- We received an estimate for major rewiring of the building. Because of the cost of the project we will have to bid the project.
- 3rd floor hvac: We currently have 1 estimate and are looking for a second one.
- Blinds windows: The window blinds are ordered and we are ready to have them installed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon the recommendation of the President, Mr. David Doglio, Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mrs. Palermo to go into closed session at 9:45 p.m.

2:220-E2

- 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).
- The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).
- 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: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REGULAR SESSION: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to return to regular session at 11:10 p.m.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY REVISIONS/ADDITIONS: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Board Policy Revisions/Additions (2nd Reading) = 2:20, 1:20, 1:20-AP, 1:30, 2:20-E, 2:30, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 1:10, 2:10.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach, Chad Harvey.

AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF 2ND ROUND MAINTENANCE GRANT APPLICATION: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to approve the 2nd Round Maintenance Grant Application.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF GRUNDY COUNTY RECIPROCAL REPORTING AGREEMENT: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Grundy County Reciprocal Reporting Agreement.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL TO SEEK BIDS FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve seeking bids for Asbestos Removal.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REHIRE OF NON-TENURE TEACHER, CHRISTOPHER GIBSON, FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mrs. Palermo to rehire Non-Tenure Teacher, Christopher Gibson, for the 2014-2015 school year.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REHIRE OF NON-TENURE TEACHER, CHRISTINA SUKLEY, FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to rehire Non-Tenure Teacher, Christina Sukley, for the 2014-2015 school year.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REHIRE OF NON-TENURE TEACHER, JOHANNA THORNDYKE, FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to rehire Non-Tenure Teacher, Johanna Thorndyke, for the 2014-2015 school year.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REHIRE OF PART-TIME (3/7) TEACHER, DIANTHA HARPER, FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to rehire Part-time (3/7) Teacher, Diantha Harper, for the 2014-2015 school year.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REHIRE AND GRANT TENURE TO NICOLE LEIGH FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mrs. Palermo to rehire and Grant Tenure to Nicole Leigh for the 2014-2015 school year.

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach, Cassie Bexson.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 6, 2014 SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the March 6, 2014 School Board Work Session at 7:00 PM.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL TO RESCHEDULE DATE OF MAY 21, 2014 BOARD MEETING: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to reschedule the date of May 21, 2014 Board Meeting to May 20, 2014.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF VEHICLE LOAN TO MORRIS SUMMER DRIVER EDUCATION FOR SUMMER SESSION: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the vehicle loan to Morris High School Summer Driver Education for their Summer Session program.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

FEBRUARY 26, 2014 MEETING: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to cancel the 2nd meeting for the month of February (February 26, 2014).
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION ITEMS: Superintendent Perrott reviewed the following:

- FOIA Requests: Spreadsheet was distributed to each board member. There was one request from a private citizen.
- Health and Life Safety Inspection: ROE has scheduled an inspection of our building
- 8th Grade Registration Night: Wed night, February 19 at 6:00 PM
- Senator Rezin/Grundy Economic Development Council Internship Program - Internship Program with Senator Rezin/GEDC Summer Internship Program Grundy Economic Development Council 28 intern positions in 12 companies. 15 are paid. This is the second year that this program has existed. GSW had one student participate last year.
- GSW High School Road to Reality: Was supposed to be held on Monday, Feb 17. It was postponed due to dangerous weather conditions. It has been rescheduled for Monday, March 3rd at 6:00 PM.
- Alumni Band: Will play on Friday night during half-time of the boys' basketball game on February 21.
- 2013 Softball Team Honor Night: Tuesday, February 18
- 1993 Baseball Team Honor Night: Friday, February 21
- Business Club Blood Drive = Was held on Wed, February 12 from 2:00 – 6:30 PM. We had a total of 33 donors – 3 were deferred, which gave us a net of 30 units. Our original goal was 39 units, but it was reduced to 23 a day before the drive. This drive was slightly better than our first blood drive back in the fall. Our turnout of workers (Business Club Members) was outstanding.
- End of the Year Calendar Items:
  Graduation - Sunday, May 18 at 2:00 PM
  Seniors Last Day at GSW HS = Friday, May 16 - Senior picnic & graduation practice
  Seniors Last Day at GAVC = Thurs, May 15
  Juniors Finals at GSW HS = Fri, May 30 and Mon, June 2.
  Juniors Last Day at GAVC = Thurs, May 29

Last day of School = Mon, June 2nd for students; Teachers would have TI on Tues, June 3rd and the make-up day for Wed, June 4th.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUESTS:

- Agenda for March 6, 2014 Board Work Session – requested by Mrs. Gerber

ADJOURN: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 p.m.
AYES: Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Palermo.
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

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PRESIDENT, DAVID DOGLIO SECRETARY, CARLA HUSTON