

GARDNER – SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

BOARD BRIEFS

Highlights of the Public Hearing - 2023 Tax Levy & Regular Meeting

DECEMBER 20, 2023

PRESENTATION: 2023 LEVY:

Mrs. Avery discussed how the tentative Levy was reviewed at last month's meeting. The numbers pretty much stayed the same and no big changes were made. It looks almost the same as the year before. Mrs. Avery will file at both Grundy County and Kankakee County this week.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None. No public at the meeting.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Mr. Brian Davis, Principal, reported the following:

- Discipline (between Nov. 16 and Dec. 15) 12 total referrals: 10 tardies, 1 vape and 1 student skipping RTI.
- Attendance – our daily attendance is improving this school year.
- PLC – Professional Learning Community – on Dec. 13th several meetings were held with our departments (Math, Science, PE, English) and groups met to discuss schedule changes and curriculum for next school year.
- GAVC breakfast – Mr. Davis and Ms. Dallio attended this meeting in Morris on Dec. 13. They listened to presentations about Summer Internships and dual-credit classes being offered thru GAVC for our students.
- Teacher Evaluations – 1st and 2nd rounds are completed.
- Hall of Fame – Committee meeting was held on Thurs, Dec. 14 and 2 people were chosen to be inducted into the GSW Hall of Fame on Friday night, January 12th during our Homecoming Game.
- Winter Break – December 25 thru January 8.
- January 8 – Teacher Institute Day
- January 9 – Students return to school
- January 15 – HOLIDAY – No School – Martin Luther King Day

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

None

BUILDING AND GROUNDS REPORT: Mrs. Sue Avery discussed the following:

- Trico-Pipe Update: We had a few boiler leaks and Trico came out to fix the leaks. We will continue to use them for additional repairs.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mrs. Avery presented on the following:

- Trip I Conference – Board members discussed the Annual Board Convention in Chicago. Everyone enjoyed the weekend and are looking forward to going again next year.
- Village Hall TIF – GSW received a letter from the Village of Gardner regarding an overpayment. The Village overpaid GSW on the 5th installment. After reviewing and determining the check received was an overpayment, GSW paid the Village back.
- GAVC's potential renovation by adding more space and classrooms – is being put on hold due to schools in the county still deciding what plans they have for their school districts' finances.
- Illinois State Scholars – GSW has five students this year:
 - Jessica Dominguez

- o Addison Fair
- o Eva Henderson
- o Miguel Ochoa
- o Robert Shutes-Denewellis
- Addison Fair – Senior on Girls Varsity Basketball team surpassed 1500 career points in the game on Saturday, December 9th at the Iroquois West Holiday Tournament vs. Clifton Central. Congrats Addi!

BOE MEMBERS REPORTS:

None at this time.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Approve 2023 Tax Levy, as presented
- Approve Certificate of Compliance with Truth and Taxation
- Appoint the Superintendent to review Closed Session Minutes
- Approve the Second Reading of Press Policy 113
- Approve the Reciprocal Agreement for Grundy County
- Approve to hire a consulting company for oversight and accounting purposes – Englert Group, LLC
- Approve employee to pay for life insurance

OTHERS:

Katy Wepprecht asked the board members if they were in agreeance with her not being added to the GSW account. She will not be a signer on the account. They are all okay with it, as Sue Avery, Amber Ryle and Carla Huston are all on the accounts as signatures.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

President: Katy Wepprecht

Vice-President: Kori Speed

Kristen Ashley, Tim Harvey, Terry Schultz,

David Simms & Allison Wright

Principal: Mr. Brian Davis

Superintendent: Mrs. Susan Avery