

# GARDNER – SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

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## BOARD BRIEFS

### *Highlights of the Regular Meeting*

**OCTOBER 19, 2022**

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#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mrs. Terese Kukman, GSW High School NHS Sponsor, was present at tonight's meeting to speak to the board members about the NHS program and rules. She discussed some changes being made to the NHS Hand Book. She also informed the board that the Youth Philanthropy group has started up again this year, and there are currently 21 members. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> year Mrs. Kukman has been involved in this program. The members will meet once a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. The students listen to representatives / speakers from various businesses and groups from the community and decide which groups will receive money and how much. The money donated from the GSW High School Youth Philanthropy group comes from a grant and is approximately \$5,000.00 per year.

#### **FY 22 AUDIT REPORT EXTENSION TO NOVEMBER:**

Supt. Avery informed the board that the auditor extended the FY22 Audit Report to November for GSW High School. They are currently working through it.

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

- Attendance – 93.8% for September
- Discipline – 28 incidents for the month of September – most are for tardies.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORTS:**

- Mr. John Williamsen, Technology Director, submitted his report electronically. Supt. Avery highlighted that he has distributed Chromebooks to all students, completed many state reports, set-up and uploaded students for MAP testing, installed new phones and voice-mails for all employees, and replaced 4 network switches. He is currently working on installing 3 new cameras and a new camera web-based system and installing wireless access points in the building at GSW High School.
- Ms. Angel Dallio, Academics Coordinator, submitted her report electronically. Supt. Avery recapped this Fall Report to the board – she has been working on MAP testing, RTI, Problem Solving Team monthly meetings, handling the tardy detentions, setting up detentions (date/times) for students and finding teachers to supervise detention, completed and submitted the Title I Grant / ESSER Grant – these funds are used for Professional Development, student needs and classroom needs. Ms. Dallio is also working on a new plan for revamping the “Back to School” process for next year. There will be a team put together and they have lots of great new ideas.

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

- Café / kitchen update = Director of Maintenance, Wally Debelak, is currently working on repairing a wall in the kitchen / adding a backsplash. The kitchen is also getting a new kitchen-grade microwave.
- Maintenance Grant Application = Mrs. Avery will be submitting this application, and the plan is to use the money for door upgrades. There are definitely a lot of doors in the building that need to be replaced. She has been working with Wally on how many doors and different price quotes he has received.
- Simplex/Grinnell Alarm Upgrade = This new upgrade would be internet-based.

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

- Triple I Conference Update = Currently working on the itinerary and making dinner reservations for the group for Saturday night.

- Job Posting – Athletic Director – This was posted internally in October.
- Principal Job Posting – mid November. Plans are to interview in January and hire a new Principal at our February 2023 board meeting.
- Early Levy / Workshop – Mrs. Avery attended a workshop and has started the levy work.
- Summative Designation – GSW High School has received a “Commendable” rating on the IL State Report Card again this year.
- Discuss hiring a one on one special education paraprofessional – we are looking to hire an additional paraprofessional as a one on one aide for a student in the building at GSW HS.
- Change of job description from Bookkeeper to Office Manager – Our HR Consultant, Bushue, has recommended the title of Office Manager for our current Bookkeeper.
- GAVC Director Award Winner: Chris Cvitanovich for Welding II – Chris is a Senior at GSW High School and this is his 2<sup>nd</sup> year in Welding at GAVC.
- Early Graduation of student – we have one student requesting early graduation. She is currently on track with all of her required courses.
- GSW High School Hall of Fame – Mrs. Avery congratulated Mrs. Katy Wepprecht (Board Vice-President) for being chosen as an inductee! She will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in January 2023, along with another lucky winner Philip Jerbi, during our Homecoming basketball game on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

**BOE MEMBERS REPORTS:**

Mr. Tim Harvey informed the board he was approached by a group of GSW High School kids with questions in regards to the Bass Fishing Team, Trap Shooting Team and allowing hats to be worn during school.

**ACTION ITEMS :**

- Approve Early Graduation of a student – Lyla Keorkunian
- Approve the FY 2022 Seniority List
- Approve the Application for the Maintenance Grant
- Approve the hiring of an after school tutor – Elizabeth DelReal
- Approve the IGA for District Bookkeepers – Amber Ryle and Dyanna Swisher
- Approve the IMRF Authorized Agent – Amber Ryle
- Approve the change of the Bookkeeper Job Description to Office Manager
- Approve the Resolution to Transfer funds from Fund 20 to Fund 60
- Approve to post to hire a one on one special education paraprofessional
- Approve the Fiscal Year 2022 Teacher/Administration Compensation Report

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