

Minutes of Meeting
Griswold Community School District Board of Education
August 20, 2018

The Board of Education met for its regular meeting August 20, 2018 in the Central Office Board Room of the Middle School/High School building. President Heather Pelzer called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Board members present were Scott Hansen, Aaron Houser, Rob Peterson, Scott Peterson, and Don Smith. Erika Kirchhoff was absent. Also present Superintendent David Henrichs, Business Manager/Treasurer Dan Rold (arrived at 5:39 pm), Board Secretary Nancy Taylor, Elementary Principal Nigel Horton, Secondary Principal Katie Elwood, Student Representative Reece Peterson, Matt Chumbley (Estes) and several visitors.

Reading of Mission Statement President Heather Pelzer read the school mission statement *“The mission of the Griswold Community School District, in partnership with our families and communities, is to provide leadership for positive change to ensure the best learning opportunities for everyone in a safe and caring environment.”*

Approval of Agenda R Peterson made a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes: addition of item #16 Approval of GASB 75 Service Agreement; item #17 Open Enrollment Request – Out; and item #18 Open Enrollment Request – In. Move items #16, #17, and #18 after item #10 Approval of Change Orders. Houser seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Public Input - none

Superintendent’s Report Thank you card passed around. Month in review reports from superintendent, elementary principal, secondary principal. Board learning opportunities: discussion on board goals for 2018-2019; and Superintendent reviewed a special report from IASB regarding Nondiscrimination/Student Rights.

Consent Agenda A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by R Peterson. Hansen seconded and motion carried: Hansen-aye, Houser-aye, Pelzer-aye, R Peterson-aye and Smith-aye. S Peterson had stepped out of the room and had not returned in time for the motion. Included in the consent agenda: approval of minutes of July 16, 2018 meeting, financial statements, and monthly bills. Under Personnel: hire Emma Lee as Middle School/High School para professional; additional assignment Laura Michael as Middle School/High School TAG; Seth Lembke salary advancement from BA+24, Step 6 to MA, Step 6; and resignation received from Sara Black as elementary para professional. No gifts/grants/bequests.

Old Business

KPE/Estes Update Matt Chumbley (Estes Construction) updated the board on the construction/renovation projects. The renovation project (inside) is going well and school will start as scheduled on Thursday August 23rd. The outside project is progressing; however the heavy rains have caused a few problems. The floor for the elementary multi-purpose room will be poured, and the last few precast panels will be installed. Getting ready to put the roof on the new addition.

Discussion and Possible Action on the Sale of Elementary Facilities On August 13th the Elliott City Council voted 4-1 to purchase the Elliott Elementary facility **pending** negotiations with the district, and securing appropriate financing. Elliott City Council Member Travis Johnson was present to answer questions. After discussion, superintendent recommend starting negotiations with the City of Elliott, and as previously discussed, go ahead and advertise for proposals for the purchase of both Elliott and Lewis buildings with due date of November 19, 2018. Houser made a motion to continue with the plan to advertise both elementary buildings. R Peterson seconded and motion carried all ayes.

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Board Policies Second Reading S Peterson made a motion to approve Superintendent's recommendation to waive the second reading and approve board policies 606.1, 606.2, 606.3, 606.4, 606.5, 606.6, 105, 606.3, 705.1, 705.1R1, 710.1. Smith seconded and motion carried all ayes. *(Any changes made to a board policy will be attached to the original copy of minutes available for review at the central office.)*

School Culture Update Houser reported the School Culture Committee met again today (8/20) and are planning a kick-off at the all staff meeting on August 22nd. The committee has chosen four pillars: Champion For All Students, Expect Excellence, Carry The Banner, and Be A Merchant of Hope.

New Business

Approval of Change Orders Matt Chumbley from Estes Construction presented construction change orders from Atlantic Glass, Smith Brothers Masonry, Nelson Electric, and Camblin Mechanical. All change orders figured into a savings of \$12,000. Hansen made a motion to approve change orders as presented. Houser seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Approval of GASB 75 Service Agreement An actuarial financial disclosure report is required for the annual financial audit. Business Manager Rold and Superintendent recommend approving the services from SilverStone Group. R Peterson made a motion to approve GASB 75 Service Agreement with SilverStone Group at a cost of \$3,500. Hansen seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Open Enrollment Request - Out *(Deadline for open enrollment for 2018-19 was March 1st. Applications can be granted past the deadline, without cause, if approved by both school districts.)* Received an open enrollment-out request on August 21st for Devon Thompson (7th grade) and Bradden Thompson (4th grade) to attend Atlantic Community Schools as the family anticipates moving to Atlantic soon. If we approve the request Atlantic will put this on the agenda at their special meeting on August 21st. Hansen made a motion to approve open enrollment-out request. Houser seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Open Enrollment Request - In *(Deadline for open enrollment for 2018-19 was March 1st. Applications can be granted past the deadline, without cause, if approved by both districts.)* August 14th received an open enrollment request for Nicholas Clark (2nd grade) to attend Griswold Community Schools from the Atlantic School District. Family anticipates a move into Griswold area around October 1st. R Peterson made a motion to approve open enrollment-in request. Houser seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Board Policies – First Reading First reading of board policies 607.1, 607.2, 607.2R1, 213, 213.R1, 211.1, 402.5.

Board IBB Representatives R Peterson made a motion to approve Pelzer, S Peterson, and Smith as IBB Board Representatives for 2019-2020 negotiations. Hansen seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Appointment to County Boards R Peterson made a motion to appoint Don Smith to the Cass County Conference Board, Scott Peterson to Montgomery County Conference Board, and Aaron Houser to Pottawattamie County Conference Board. Hansen seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Selection of IASB Delegate Houser made a motion to appoint Scott Hansen as IASB Delegate for one more year. R Peterson seconded and motion carried all ayes.

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Staff Flu Shots R Peterson made a motion to offer reimbursement of up to \$30.00 for employees **not** covered by school insurance and who submit a claim at the Central Office. Hansen seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by R Peterson at 7:17 pm. S Peterson seconded and motion carried all ayes.

Nancy Taylor Board Secretary

Heather Pelzer, President

(Next regular meeting September 17, 2018.)