

Greene County Community School District
Regular Meeting
December 20, 2017

The Greene County Community School District Board of Directors met in regular session on December 20, 2017 in the Administrative Building Conference Room. President Mark Peters called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and read the District Vision/Mission statement. Directors Mike Dennhardt, Steve Fisher, Sam Harding, Steve Karber, John McConnell, and Catherine Wilson; Superintendent Tim Christensen and Board Secretary Brenda Muir were all present.

Motion was made by Karber and seconded by Fisher to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

No comments were made during Open Forum.

The consent items were approved on a motion made by Harding and seconded by Karber. Motion carried 7-0. Consent items were: Minutes – November 13, 2017 special meeting, November 20, 2017 work session and regular meeting, November 29, 2017 special joint meeting with Paton-Churdan. Bills as presented; Financial Reports – November 2017; Resignation: Jennie Halterman - Middle School Associate; Hirings: Jennifer Powers – Part Time Middle School Associate.

Construction Manager Greg Brown from Garland Company presented the Elementary reroofing project and the four bids received. Harding made and Fisher seconded a motion to accept the bid from Brockway Mechanical and Roofing Company, Inc. for \$670,050 for Base Bid #1 – which is the entire roofing project. Motion carried 7-0.

The High School online class agenda item was resolved by the Guidance Counselor and was not addressed by the board.

Karber made and McConnell seconded a motion to approve the resignations and voluntary retirement applications of Teachers Susan Turner - 32 years, David Destival – 34 years, Annette Meier – 26 years, Tom Braun – 18 years, Diane Wallace – 32 years, Elizabeth VanderWilt – 32 years, Donna Carhill – 20 years, and Food Service Employee Sandra Baugh – 11 years of service in the East Greene, Scranton, Jefferson, Jefferson-Scranton and/or Greene County School Districts. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Christensen updated the board on the Elementary Addition/Renovation Project. The original bid from Badding Construction was for \$1,682,400; change orders make the final cost of the project \$1,697,702. Work is mostly complete with minimal work finishing up in the next few weeks. The front entrance, classrooms and offices are being used.

A power point with audio from students was presented on the Hospitality Program and their recent trip to Colorado. Vocational Director Dave Destival, in the absence of Instructor Chad Morman, updated the board on the Student Construction house. Director Harding reported on the Jefferson Park and Rec Commission meeting. Director Fisher reported on the County Conference Board meeting. Director Karber reported on the potential community driven new High School and Regional Academy project. Community and staff input will be gathered before the project design begins.

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Brief reports were given by Principals Brian Phillips and Scott Johnson, Reading Specialist Julie Neal, and Activities Director Mitch Moore. Principal Shawn Zanders and Curriculum Director Karen Sandberg were not present but did leave reports for review. Transportation Director Wayne Hougham reported on bus inspections completed.

Three bids were received for asbestos removal in the Grand Junction building. Harding made and Karber seconded a motion to approve the bid from AAA Budget Environmental Inc. of \$79,987. Work should be complete by the end of May 2018. Motion carried 7-0.

Membership in Rural School Advocates for Iowa was discussed. Harding made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to approve membership in RSAI for \$750 per year. Motion carried 7-0.

Fisher made and Karber seconded a motion to approve a request to the School Budget Review Committee for \$15,224.38 in 2018-19 Grandwood Consortium administrative costs to be charged to Special Education funding. Motion carried 7-0.

Karber made and Fisher seconded a motion to approve a request to the School Budget Review Committee for \$4,915.04 in 2018-19 Woodward Day Academy Consortium administrative costs to be charged to Special Education funding. Motion carried 7-0.

The 2018-19 District At-Risk/Dropout Prevention Budget was presented. Harding made and Karber seconded a motion to approve a request to the School Budget Review Committee for Modified Supplement Amount of \$417,385 for 2018-19 District At-Risk/Dropout program. Motion carried 7-0.

Harding made and Karber seconded a motion to set a public hearing on the 2018-19 Official School calendar for January 17, 2018, 6:30 p.m. in the Administrative Building Conference Room. Motion carried 7-0.

Vocal Instructor Dave Heupel requested using Snap Raise, an online social donation platform, to raise funds to defer student costs of the choir trip to Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. Fisher made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to approve the fundraiser request. Motion carried 7-0.

Tim Christensen was appointed as the School Board's representative on the Bell Tower Foundation Board on a motion made by Karber and seconded by Wilson. Motion carried 7-0.

Board Policies 605.4-605.7 were reviewed. Harding made and Karber seconded a motion to approve the review of the policies with no revisions. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Christensen reported the school report card is out and on the DE website; sale of more items from the Grand Junction building; District Career Guidance Plan committee has been meeting; visited Spencer School's career exploration program; and the high school gym will be painted over the holiday break.

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The board closed with positive thoughts about things happening in the district.

President Peters declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

President

Secretary