

Greene County Community School District
Regular Meeting
August 15, 2018

The Greene County Community School District Board of Directors met in regular session on August 15, 2018 in the Administrative Building Conference Room. President Mark Peters called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and referenced 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.

Karber made and McConnell seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

At 5:16 p.m. Harding made and McConnell seconded a motion the board go into closed session as allowed in Iowa Code 21.5(1)(e) for student misconduct consideration.

The board reconvened in open session at 5:27 p.m.

Harding made and Karber seconded a motion that the student discussed in closed session be suspended until such time as additional information can be presented to the School Board and a Discipline Hearing can be held allowing the Board to make an informed decision on the matter. Motion carried 7-0.

No comments were heard during Open Forum.

The consent items were approved on a motion made by Harding and seconded by Karber. Motion carried 6-0 with Fisher abstaining. Consent items were: Minutes – July 18, 2018 regular meeting; Bills as presented; Financial Reports – July 2018; Resignations: Thomas Ball-Bus Driver, Delaney Gibson-Middle School Associate, Nick Fett -Assistant Varsity Football Coach; Hirings: Adam Snowgren - Director of Maintenance/Buildings, Arianna Vargas -Assistant High School Volleyball Coach, Patty Fisher -Assistant High School Volleyball Coach, Charles Brobst-Assistant Middle School Volleyball Coach, Chris Conner -Assistant High School Football Coach, Bob Allen-Assistant High School Football Coach, Sean Ostendorf - 7th Grade Football Coach, Cody Smith-Assistant 7th Grade Football Coach, Ronnie Pollock -Assistant 8th Grade Football Coach, Stacy Hardaway - Alternative School Associate, Mavis Sawhill -1/2 time Middle School Science Teacher; Contract Changes: Denise Brobst-7th Grade Volleyball Coach from Assistant, Robert Stofer - Grounds/Transportation Supervisor - from Assistant Building/Grounds/Transportation, Shawn DeMoss - Grounds/Transportation Supervisor - from Assistant Building/Grounds/Transportation.

Matthew Gillespie from Piper Jaffray explained the General Obligation Bond sale and reported the winning bidder to be Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC from Philadelphia; purchase price of \$16,004,125.44, net interest cost of \$7,164,733.43, with a true interest rate of 3.379144%. Fisher made and Karber seconded a motion to approve the resolution to award the bid to Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

The following committee reports were given: Sam Harding - City Park and Rec Commission, Steve Karber – construction project. Administrators shared comments on the new school year.

Board Treasurer Sid Jones presented the 2017-18 Annual Treasurer's Report. Karber made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to approve the report as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

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Fisher made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to reappoint Sid Jones as Treasurer, Brenda Muir as Secretary and Mumma Pedersen Law Firm as Board Counsel for the 2018-19 school year. Motion carried 7-0. President Peters administered the oath of office to Jones and Muir.

Harding made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to open an interest bearing checking account for Debt Service property taxes and other appropriate deposits, at Home State Bank. Motion carried 7-0.

The 2018-19 Depository Resolution was approved on a motion made by Harding and seconded by Dennhardt. Motion carried 7-0.

Wilson made and Karber seconded a motion to approve the list of 2018 fall sports officials. Motion carried 7-0.

Director Fisher reported the sub-committee met to discuss the Paton-Churdan sharing agreement and met with a Paton-Churdan sub-committee on July 24, 2018. They proposed increases in the billing for shared sports and academics. The board will review and discuss this in the September meeting. Moving the annual joint meeting to early October was mentioned.

The board selected 2019 Legislative Action Priorities on a motion made by Harding and seconded by Karber. Motion carried 7-0. Priorities chosen relate to Dropout/At Risk funding, Mental Health supports, Property Taxes – hold districts harmless in tax restructuring, and SAVE – repealing the sunset on statewide sales tax.

The board reviewed Board Policies 904.1-905.4. Superintendent Christensen recommended changes to policies 904.1, 905.1 and 905.1A; and recommended new policies 904.2 – Advertising and Promotion and 906 – Unmanned Aircraft- Drones; those two policies will require a second reading in September. Karber made and Dennhardt seconded a motion to approve the policies as reviewed, revised and added. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Christensen alerted the board that the Instructional Support Levy will expire June 30, 2020. It will take a public hearing and board approval to renew it for five years.

Fundraisers for fall sports and the International Club were approved on a motion made by Harding and seconded by Dennhardt. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Christensen reported on upcoming events.

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

President Peters declared the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

President

Secretary