

School District of Gibraltar Area
Fish Creek, Wisconsin
Regular Meeting of Gibraltar Board of Education
Minutes of September 14th, 2015
Community Room #266
6:45 p.m.

Call to Order

President Mark Weborg called meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Lynn Herman, Wendy Minten, Suzanne Brennan, Mike Peot, Mark Weborg, Fred Anderson, Lynnea Hickey

Excused: None

Also Present: Tina Van Meer, Superintendent; Brian Annen, Elementary Principal; Gereon Methner, Secondary Principal; Arba LeClair, Business Manager; Tim Mulrain, Dean of Students; Steve Higginbotham, Maintenance Supervisor; Evelyn Eckhardt Secondary Secretary, Acting School Board Secretary; 7 visitors

Adjourn to Executive Session per §19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats., to Discuss Employee Personnel Matters – Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation

Moved Peot / Herman to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:44 pm. Aye - Herman, Minten, Brennan, Peot, Weborg, Hickey, Anderson. Opposed – None. Motion Carried.

Reconvene to Open Session

Moved Peot / Herman to reconvene to Open Session at 7:15 pm. Aye – Herman, Minten, Brennan, Peot, Weborg, Hickey, Anderson. Opposed – None. Motion Carried.

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on August 24th, 2015.

Moved Minten / Hickey to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2015 as presented. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion Carried.

Communication

Received the following:

Email from Kristey Charney regarding concerns about PEP period and expectations for students at the secondary level.

Email from Marise Redmann regarding PBIS and expectations for students at the secondary level.

Email from Jim and Lisa Hartmann to seeking approval for their home schooled students to participate in Middle School football. Weborg stated home school students are allowed to participate in sports at Gibraltar.

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Correspondence from Dawn Volpe to Mark Weborg about a symposium on poverty to be held at the Ephraim Moravian Church on Thursday, October 1st from 9am to 11:30am.

Open Discussion

Weborg reviewed the meeting process and rules.

Hickey – attended the Board of Control meeting last Wednesday, was asked to attend the Association of Educational Service Agency's annual convention for the Board of Control. Also commented that she was emailed by Martha Peirine about Gibraltar being the sixth best place to work based on a lot of criteria, questioned if anyone was attending the Regional Meeting in Green Bay the day after the annual meeting or the Employment and School Law Seminar.

Herman – questioned when work is going to start on job descriptions and reworking the policy handbook, commented secondary counselor and A.D. job descriptions not in board policy.

Brennan – attended the Secondary Open House, it was well attended and upbeat, some parents commented that they missed the 5 minute schedule switch, sometimes there was a line for a teacher. Weborg commented that a few parents said they didn't bring their kid along and there was no schedule of knowing where they are supposed to be going. Methner commented that we folded the O.L.P.S. computer part into Open House and this is why we went into a more open format. Van Meer enjoyed the evening and having both on one night, felt it was more relaxed, social and welcoming. Brennan stated it wasn't clear in the letter to bring students to the event. Minten commented that she was able to attend both this year, her student did not know it was Open House, Methner commented that he is working on when to communicate announcements to the students.

Weborg attended the Elementary Open House, met all the teachers and was pleased with the enthusiasm of teachers.

Lynn Krause Wedding- brought up concerns about Viking Vouchers, would like to see parents and students on the committee to give input on the program

Hear Administrative Reports on Current School Events

Reports were submitted electronically and hard copies were available for the audience.

Mulrain – Explained PBIS initiative and The Viking Way

Methner – with Mr. Mulrain, had individual class meetings during the first week of school to communicate the student handbook updates and PBIS programming. Looked at last year's data over the summer and data is driving decisions such as Monday homeroom for PEP.

Annen – Book room is 90%-95% done, will educate staff at staff meeting about how to best utilize that room. Mike Scoville commented that all books up to "M" are done.

Approve Payment of Bills

Moved Hickey/Herman to approve the payment of bills totaling \$72,752.76 as presented in the board packet. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion Carried

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Approve Purchase of Exterior and Interior Doors for Security Purposes

Steve Higginbotham recommended purchase of 2 exterior doors and 2 interior doors for security purposes. Weborg mentioned that Le Force is our preferred vendor, so bids are not needed. Motion Anderson/Peot to approve interior and exterior doors as discussed not to exceed price of \$14,381.00. John Cox asked which budget category this would be out of. Le Clair stated it would be taken out of maintenance budget. After further discussion, Anderson/Peot moved to amend motion to approve purchase of doors not to exceed \$20,000. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion Carried.

Approve 2015-2016 Contract for Interim Board Secretary

Van Meer requested the approval for an interim contract for the Board Secretary, Board Secretary is appointed at the April election. Weborg appointed Evelyn Eckhardt Interim Board Secretary.

Approve Hiring of Middle School Football Coaches

Van Meer presented recommendations of the hiring committee to approve Jim Laughlin and David Reinhardt as Middle School Football Coaches. Motion Brennan/ Hickey to approve hiring of Jim Laughlin and David Reinhardt as Middle School Football coaches. Aye- Herman, Minten, Brennan, Peot, Anderson, Hickey. Opposed – None. Weborg abstained. Motion Carried.

Approve Resolution Authorizing the School District of Gibraltar Area to Exceed the Revenue Limit on a Non-Recurring Basis for Debt Service Payments to Finance Energy Efficient Measures and Products

Van Meer and LeClair presented information on the resolution. Motion Hickey/Minten to approve the resolution authorizing the school district of Gibraltar Area to exceed the revenue limit on a non-recurring basis for debt service payments to finance energy efficient measures and products. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion Carried.

Accept Donations

None.

Hear Committee Reports

Extracurricular Activities and Community Relations Committee

Peot- Met on Thursday, September 10th- Discussed coach bus critia, review of extra- curricular code, and sailing club that will be presenting to the board at the next board meeting.

Adjourn

Moved Peot/Brennan to adjourn at 8:35p.m. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Eckhardt
Secondary Secretary, Acting Board Secretary