

School District of Gibraltar Area
Fish Creek, Wisconsin
Regular Meeting of Gibraltar Board of Education
Minutes of *Monday, July 22, 2013*
Community Room #266
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

President Anderson called meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Suzanne Brennan, Sally Pfeifer (departed at 8:12 p.m.), Lynnea Hickey, Fred Anderson, Mike Peot, Mark Weborg

Excused: Martha Lubber Pelrine

Also Present: Tina Van Meer, Superintendent; Nancy Keehan, Administrative Asst./Board Secretary; 2 visitors

Minutes

Moved Hickey/Brennan to approve minutes of July 8, 2013 regular meeting as written. No discussion. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Communication

Board received thank you notes from:

- Leslie Mc Carty
- Justin and Jordan Burress
- Gary Straub

Open Discussion – none

Administrative Reports were submitted electronically and were available in hard copy.

Van Meer announced that new state budget will provide additional funding for high cost transportation districts amounting to an additional \$70,000 for Gibraltar. New per pupil categorical aid will also bring additional funding.

District Technology

Steve Minten presented update on district technology replacement plan. Initially district purchased four cows in 2007 containing 25 Dell laptops each. Two were placed in middle school and two in high school. District needed more cows as labs were being phased out. In 2009, district purchased four more cows (same Dell model as 2007 purchase) for a total of eight cows containing 200 Dell laptops. Additionally since 2009, all high school students have an OLPS Dell computer. District also has mobile cow of 10 iPads and just purchased 10 more iPads. Plus 32 teachers have iPads.

Complaints with cows: 5-7 minutes to start and shut down a computer and computers are slow, older technology. Minten is looking at different models to replace cows including UEFI (unified extensible firmware interface), Windows 7, and Ultrabook. Ultrabook costs \$1,000-\$1,100 each

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with three years pro support. Target per computer was previously \$650-\$700. Minten requested replacing four of the eight cows with Ultrabooks, which would be 100 computers totaling \$110,000. Price difference is newer technology that will last longer. Projected life is 4.5 to 5 years.

Grades K-8 now use cows and high schoolers use OLPS laptops. Elementary lab has 25 computers purchased new with i3 processor that will last for a while. We are in third year of 2010 technology purchase.

District will re-evaluate life span of cows which need to work well with new online Smarter Balanced Assessment. Board needs better understanding of other potential purchases, including status of bus fleet and potential bus purchase, before making a decision on technology purchase.

Payment of Bills

Moved Weborg/Pfeifer to approve payment of bills totaling \$53,374.13 as presented. No discussion. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Assistant Custodian Posting

Moved Brennan/Pfeifer to approve posting for an Assistant Head Custodian and Maintenance Supervisor for 2013-14 school year. Discussion: Job description needs to be revised. First reading of revised job description will be August 12. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Teacher-Certified Instructional Aide Posting

Moved Weborg/Peot to approve posting for a teacher-certified instructional aide for 2013-14 school year. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Milk Products

District received bids from Brother's Dairy and Morning Glory Dairy. Moved Hickey/Pfeifer to approve bid from Brother's Dairy to supply our milk products for 2013-14 school year. Discussion: Determination was based on low bid for milk product(s) that are frequently consumed. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Diesel Fuel

Moved Weborg/Brennan to approve 2013-14 contract for diesel fuel with Country Visions Cooperative. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Student Accident Insurance

Student accident insurance through Student Assurance Services provides group all pupil coverage and group athletic with a \$250 deductible per injury. It is meant to be secondary insurance coverage to any primary health insurance a family may have. Benefits are determined after a family's primary insurance has determined benefits. For 2014-15, district will compare different insurers for student accident insurance.

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Moved Pfeifer/Hickey to continue all pupil coverage (\$3,055.50 premium) and group athletic coverage (\$12,450 premium) for student accident insurance for 2013-14 school year with Student Assurance Services. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Fair Aid Coalition Membership

Moved Brennan/Pfeifer to approve Gibraltar's 2013-14 membership in Fair Aid Coalition for fee of \$1,249.15 (\$2.15/student). Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Second Reading Policy 7.04(11)

Moved Weborg/Peot to approve second reading of revised board policy 7.04(11) – Job Description - District Financial Assistant as written. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Second Reading Policy 6.01

Moved Pfeifer/Hickey to approve second reading of revised board policy 6.01 – Employee Handbook as written. Discussion: Handbook committee will review final copy before distributing to staff. Each employee will receive a hard copy. If employees have questions, a list will be started and brought to the board. Otherwise, board will review policy annually. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Leaves of Absence

Moved Weborg/Brennan to approve leave of absence requests for Lori Le Roy and Troy Zak for March 17-21, 2014. Aye – Brennan, Hickey, Peot, Weborg. Opposed – Anderson. Motion carried.

First Reading Policy 7.08

Board heard first reading of revised board policy 7.08 – Substitute Pay. Board has held substitute pay rates at 2010-11 level for three years. Proposed revision gives a 2.07% wage increase. Second reading is August 12.

First Reading Policy 7.04(28)

Board heard first reading of new policy 7.04(28) – Job Description - English Language Learner (ELL) Community Outreach Liaison. Second reading is August 12.

First Reading Policy 7.04(29)

Board heard first reading of new policy 7.04(29) – Job Description - Link Coordinator. Second reading is August 12.

Confirm Policy 10.25(1)

Moved Brennan/Hickey to confirm board policy 10.25(1) – Prices for Lunch Program held at the 2012-13 rates. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

2013-14 Standing Committees

Board concurred with standing committee dates and times for 2013-14.

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Review Policy 10.13

Board reviewed board policy 10.13 – Electronic Devices to determine if current policy is meeting needs of and supporting students, faculty, and administration. District has right to reasonable search and seizure of a cell phone. When investigating bullying or harassment claims, it is reasonable to inspect a student's cell phone. Use of cell phones in a classroom is up to individual teacher's discretion. No revisions to policy were recommended.

New School Sign

Van Meer provided update on new school sign. Bid for stone sign from Precision Cut Stone is \$3,250. Bid for stone pillars is \$4,500. Bid for stone pillars and platform is \$5,300. Figures will be finalized and brought back for board approval.

Donations

Moved Brennan/Hickey to approve donation of \$200 from Rotary Club of Sturgeon Bay in support of fine arts programs. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Committee Reports – None

Adjourn

Moved Peot/Weborg to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Aye – All. Opposed – None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Keehan
Admin. Asst./Board Secretary