

School Board Meeting –February 7, 2012
Regular & Executive Session

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – 7:00 P.M.

ESTABLISH A QUORUM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of School Trustees of the John Glenn School Corporation met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on February 7, 2012 in the John Glenn High School Media Center. Board members present were Tom McCormick, Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Mike Daube, Curt Pletcher, and Janice Ryan. Bill Groves was absent. Superintendent, Richard Reese, and eight observers were also in attendance. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by school board president Janice Ryan.

RECOGNITIONS

Tim Davis, Principal of Walkerton Elementary School, asked the board to accept the following donations: \$250 from the WES PTA for the Moderate classrooms; \$100 from the WES PTA for the CSI Science Club; \$100 from the Falcon 500 Club for the WES choir; and \$250 from Points of Lights Institute for Shop with a Player. The WES cafeteria received a perfect inspection from the St. Joseph County Health Department. Subway donated two gift certificates for the attendance awards program. All WES students who participated in the WES Science Fair were congratulated. The following students and their projects were selected to attend the Regional Science Fair at Notre Dame: Olesya Indeikina, third grade; Aaron Sherman, fourth grade; Bryce LeRose and Bodin Jacobson, fifth grade; and Ashley McKesson, sixth grade.

Janet Carey, Principal of North Liberty Elementary School, recognized staff members who have made trips to Elkhart to take advantage of Ethos (free) teacher's store. The faculties of NLES and WES were thanked for their participation in the Common Core in-service on Monday, February 6, 2012, where staff worked into the evening. Janet Carey, Shirley Ross, Donna Rummel, and Jane McGaughey have spent many hours with the architects developing plans for the renovation of the North Liberty Media Center. Charman Dreessen and her Before and After Care staff do a great job of working with students during non-school hours. Some children arrive at 6:00 a.m. for the morning program and students stay as late as 6:00 p.m. for the evening program. The Before and After School staff make sure homework is completed and students receive healthy snacks.

Mark Maudlin, Principal of Urey Middle School, asked the board to accept the donation of \$57 from the Falcon 500 Club to the UMS Math Department. The St. Joseph County Health Department inspected the UMS kitchen on January 24, 2012. The kitchen received a perfect inspection thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Giese and her staff. Every UMS student participated in generationOn, which is a program through Hasbro where it donates one toy for every person that logs into the Hasbro website. UMS was able to send 315 toys to the Toys for Tots Program to raise awareness at UMS about paying good deeds forward. Congratulations were extended to seventh graders Sara McDonald and Grant Borsch and eighth graders Iris Fry and Ken Eslick for being named January Students of the Month. The ISSMA Solo & Ensemble took place on January 28, 2012 and UMS students fared well. The board was provided with a list of the results. Special recognition was earned by eighth grader Katelynn Gates who earned a perfect score in the alto saxophone solo.

Chris Winchell, Assistant Principal of John Glenn High School, asked the board to accept the following donations: \$100 from the Falcon 500 for girls' basketball; \$100 from the Falcon 500 for the Aerial; \$100 from the Falcon 500 for the Media Center; art supplies valued at \$4,175 from Joan Darflinger for the Art Department; and \$120 from Nancy Turner for the Academic Decathlon. On Friday, February 3, 2012, the boys' and girls' varsity basketball teams hosted Culver for homecoming. Both teams were victorious with the boys' final score of 55-35 and girls' final score of 49-47. The wrestling sectionals were

held on Saturday, January 28, 2012 in LaPorte where eight wrestlers advanced to Regional's: Andrew Frey, Myles White, James Frey, Ryan Ishmael, Austin Coach, Dakota Rudynski, Adam Dodson, and Jacob Ayers. Regional's was held on February 4, 2012 when three wrestlers advanced to Semi-State: Andrew Frey, Austin Coach, and Ryan Ishmael. The 2012 Scholastic Art Regional award winners for JGHS were announced with six students receiving honorable mentions, six students awarded six silver keys, and eight students awarded 19 gold keys. Students earning gold keys qualified for the National Competition. This is the highest number of awards received in one year in JGHS history and all these works of art will be on display at the SB Regional Museum of Art through March 3, 2012. The ISSMA Instrumental Solo & Ensemble was held on Saturday, January 28, 2012. Four students received Gold ratings in solos; 32 students received Gold ratings in ensembles; 10 students received Silver ratings in ensembles; and 34 students will be advancing to the State ISSMA contest on February 25, 2012 in Indianapolis. The Academic Decathlon Team competed in the Area Competition at Gavit High School on January 21, 2012 and were awarded 36 medals collectively (12 bronze, 15 silver, and 9 gold), which placed them 2nd in Small Schools. The team will be advancing to the State Finals held at Purdue University on February 10-11, 2012. Freshman Orientation was held on February 6, 2012 with 135 out of 156 incoming freshman in attendance with their parents. The first round of girls' basketball sectionals was in progress at New Prairie. JGHS received good news that the graduation rate for 2011 was 97.7%.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Jeff Johnson, seconded by Tom McCormick, to approve donations as stated. The motion was approved by a six to zero vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – January 10, 2012 - Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – 30 – 129
3. Personal Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations

- a. Meredith Monserez, NLES, Title I Aide Maternity Leave for Katy Fleck

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Carrie Edison, NLES, Title I Aide Maternity Leave for Katy Fleck
- b. Bryan Stull, JGHS, Transfer from Girls' Varsity Assistant Softball Coach to Girls' JV Softball Coach
- c. Leslie Stec, UMS, Social Studies Academic Super Bowl Coach
- d. Geoff Jankowski, JGHS, Freshman Class Co-Sponsor
- e. Matt Johnson, JGHS, Freshman Class Co-Sponsor
- f. Stephanie Pinkerton, WES, Aide

4. Transfer Tuition

- a. Alberto Villegas, WES, Grade 6
- b. Alfredo Villegas, WES, Grade 3

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mike Daube, seconded by Jeff Johnson, to approve consent agenda items one through four. The motion was approved by a six to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement – Curt Pletcher, Jeffrey Johnson, Dennis Holland, and William Groves

Mr. Pletcher, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Holland, and Mr. Groves are required by state statute to sign the conflict of interest forms.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Tom McCormick, seconded by Mike Daube, to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement. The motion was approved by a six to zero vote.

2. Approve Overnight Trip – Academic Decathlon Team

The Academic Decathlon Team will be traveling to Purdue University in LaFayette, IN for the State Finals Round on February 10-11, 2012.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Tom McCormick, seconded by Jeff Johnson, to approve the overnight trip for the Academic Decathlon Team. The motion was approved by a six to zero vote.

3. Barton Coe Vilamaa – Dana Wannemacher

Dana Wannemacher from Barton Coe Vilamaa presented the board with information on the new turnaround at NLES and renovation of the Media Center. The turnaround will allow for drop off alongside the sidewalk and a pullout lane. There will be angled parking along the West side of the drive. Approximately 60 new parking spaces will be gained in new parking where the tennis courts currently are located.

The NLES Media Center will be issued for bid in March and those bids will be brought to the board for approval at an April board meeting. There has been much thought and detail put into the arranging of the Media Center so as to provide the best room for student's usage and for teachers. The shelving will be at a more reasonable and safe height for elementary students.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report

The superintendent reported that the summer school schedule will remain similar to past practices, with possible changes in 2013. Information regarding the changes in summer school for 2013 will be

provided during registration for the 2012-13 school year. The board meeting on February 21, 2012 will be canceled.

2. Conference Requests

The school board was provided with a listing of conference requests.

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

February 4, 2012 – ISSMA District Vocal Solo & Ensemble at Clay High School

February 7, 2012 – Freshman Orientation at JGHS

February 10-11, 2012 – State Academic Decathlon Competition

February 17, 2012 – No School (Snow Make-Up Day)

February 18, 2012 – ISSMA State Vocal Solo & Ensemble Competition

February 20, 2012 – No School, President’s Day

February 25, 2012 – ISSMA State Instrumental Solo & Ensemble Competition

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 6, 2012 7:00 P.M. UMS Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of School Trustees of the John Glenn School Corporation met in executive session at 8:00 p.m. on February 7, 2012 for the purpose of discussing litigation that is either pending or has been specifically threatened in writing. Board members present were Tom McCormick, Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Mike Daube, Curt Pletcher, and Janice Ryan. Bill Groves was absent. Superintendent, Richard Reese was also in attendance. No other matters were discussed. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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