

School Board Meeting – February 18, 2014 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 18, 2014, at the Administration Building. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Dennis Holland, Bob Borlik, Tom McCormick, and Bill Groves. Curt Pletcher and Janice Ryan were absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and twelve observers were also present.

RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

The John Glenn 3rd Grade Travel Team competed in the Northern Indiana Basketball League and won the championship by defeating Argos, Triton, and Mishawaka. Boys from both Walkerton and North Liberty Elementary participated on this team. WES PTA recently held their annual Walk-A-Thon and raised just over \$3,000. The top three earning classes were: 1st Place – Mrs. Dunbar’s class; 2nd Place - Mrs. P. Hayes’ class; and 3rd Place – Mrs. Knaack’s class. The Mobile Dentist visited WES on February 6th and 14th. According to calculations, over 750 hours of classroom time were saved by the students utilizing the Mobile Dentist. The 6th Grade Girls’ B Basketball Team won the championship at the LaVille Pre-Season Tournament. On February 7, WES held its annual Science Fair. Regional Qualifiers who will attend the Regional Science Fair at Notre Dame are: Ashley McKesson, UMS, and Josh Knowlton and Ira Indeikina, both from WES. Teacher’s Choice Awards went to: Kiera and Kaylin Turnage, Brazill Godette, Aiden Banicki, T.J. Park and Van Foresman. Judges Choice Awards went to: Julie Anne Irvine, Addison Reese, Braylin Smith, Andrew Snyder, and Michael Day. Congratulations to all!

The Falcon 500 Club recently donated \$150 for the NLES Summer Reading Program, and \$100 for the NLES 6th grade trip to Medieval Times. The NLES Book Fair, along with the ice cream social, was a big success. Over 200 people visited the book room and enjoyed ice cream and deserts, as well. Mr. Romer thanked Denise Scott and family, Lisa Rice and family, Sabrina Walden, and Angela Henry for managing all the details. Michele Weiss and Jessica Heeren presented to the staff a management system taken from a book called “CAFÉ”. This framework supports the push for classrooms to have a balanced look with whole group, small group, and 1 on 1 conferencing with students. The third and fourth grade classes have been competing in “Math Olympics” recently. These events reflect the Summer Olympics theme, yet still have a hands-on learning activity. Math Bowl will be held at Walkerton Elementary on February 27th at 5:00 p.m. NLES will hold a Martin Luther King Jr. assembly on February 27th, and the NLES 5th Grade Girls’ Basketball Tourney is March 8 at 9:00 a.m. Randy Romer reported that he is part of a school committee that has applied for a \$100,000 technology grant. The committee recently received word that they are one of the top 33 candidates, and will travel to Indianapolis on Tuesday, February 25th to pitch their program to the selection committee. The top twenty applications will receive grants of up to \$100,000 each.

Urey Middle School February Students of the Month are 8th graders Alyssa Arick and Mason Lang, and 7th graders Lydia Henry and Graysen Fansler. On Saturday, February 8th, UMS students competed in the ISSMA Solo & Ensemble competition. The following students competed in Division V, beginning middle school level, and earned the following ratings: Alexa Allen - SILVER, Geneva Behnke - GOLD, Grace Arndt - GOLD, Kelsey Clady - GOLD, Lyndsay Douglas - GOLD, Maddison Ziolkowski - GOLD, Melinda Dodson - SILVER, Jacob Ross – SILVER. The Hughes Ensemble of Angelica Hughes, Ashley Jones, and Savannah Orsund, earned a SILVER rating. The Behnke Ensemble of Geneva Behnke, Makayla Lindvall,

Kendra Shultz, and Dani Radcliff, earned a SILVER rating. The Douglas Ensemble of Lyndsay Douglas, Maddison Ziolkowski, and Taylor Birk, earned a GOLD rating. The Limerick Ensemble of Madison Limerick, Kelsey Clady, and Melinda Dodson, earned a GOLD rating. The following students competed in Division IV, advanced middle school, and earned the following ratings: Brianna Helminger - GOLD, Madison Limerick - GOLD, Rebecca Klingensmith - GOLD. Sound Sensation earned a GOLD rating with their piece, "Zither, Zinga, Zing!"

John Glenn High School Girls' Basketball had a great season come to an end with a 15-4 record. The girls were champions of the Northern State Conference and the Goshen Holiday Tournament. Congratulations to Adam Dodson; Adam finished 4th at Wrestling Semi-State and has qualified for the State Finals in Indianapolis this coming Friday. Good luck Adam! This past weekend the John Glenn Academic Decathlon Team took 3rd place at the Indiana State Finals Small Schools Division, winning a total of 19 medals, 9 Bronze, 4 Silver, and 6 Gold. The team placed first in the Interview Category and was also invited to compete in the United States Academic Decathlon National Online Competition in April. Medalists include Seniors Braydon Fort, Cole Jacobson, Nathaniel Kickbush, and Robert Loucks, and Juniors, Mary Eich, Brittne Spornhauer, and Nicholas Weith. John Glenn High School District Vocal Solo and Ensemble Results 2013-2014 are as follows: Division III (Beginning High School Level) Soloists: Tess Bladow – GOLD; Samantha Switalksi – GOLD; Rebecca Parsons – GOLD; Chelsea Tibbs – GOLD; Lilly McElwee – SILVER. Division II (Advance High School Level) Soloists: Olivia Feece – GOLD; Allison Sheffer – GOLD; Abigail Gadman – GOLD. Division I (College Level Repertoire) Soloists: Ryan Arick – GOLD; Austin Whitaker – GOLD; Raven Miller – GOLD; Nicole Fullmer – GOLD; Katherine Crump – GOLD; Aubrie Banks – GOLD; Shelby Fortlander – SILVER. Ensembles: - GOLD: Smith Ensemble – Brooklyn Smith, Hailey Buckmaster, Alexis Fisher, Anna Miller, Christina Moren, Mattie Reese, Tiara O'Connor, Makayla Flora, Brittany Baer, Heidi Kretchmer, Alivia Marek, Paige Wiseman, Chelsea Tibbs, Kindra Evans, and Katie Toth; Fortlander Ensemble – Shelby Fortlander, Raven Miller, Nicole Fullmer. First Edition – GOLD.

A motion to accept the donations was made by Tom McCormick and seconded by Jeff Johnson. The motion was passed with a five to zero vote.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 3

1. Approve Minutes – February 4, 2014 – Regular & Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – # 149 - 239
3. Personnel Recommendations

Retirements/Resignations:

- a. Jon Banks Head Softball Coach, John Glenn High School

Appointments/Transfers

- a. Erica Morris Before and After Care Aide, Walkerton Elementary
- b. Diane Nance Before and After Care Aide, North Liberty Elementary

Tom McCormick made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 3, Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – NEOLA Policy Revisions

0140 – BYLAWS – Membership

0160 – BYLAWS – Meetings

1537 – Military Service

2270 – Religion in the Curriculum

2510 – Adoption of Curricular Materials

5111 – Determination of Legal Settlement and Eligibility....
5410 – Promotion, Placement, and Retention
5517.01 – Bullying
6110 – Grant Funds
6320 – Purchasing
8390 – Animals on School Corporation Property
8750 – Defense and Indemnification of Board Members and Employees
9160 – Public Attendance at School Events

Bob Borlik read the list of policy revisions. A short discussion was held before a motion to approve the first reading of the revised policies was made by Jeff Johnson, and seconded by Bob Borlik. The motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

2. Approve Corporation Calendar for 2014 – 2015 School Year

A short discussion was held before Dennis Holland made a motion to approve the 2014-2015 school calendar. Jeff Johnson seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a vote of five to zero.

3. Approve Before & After Care Summer Enrichment 2014

Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014 Before & After Care Summer Enrichment Program budget. Bob Borlik seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by a vote of five to zero.

4. Purchase Over \$5,000 – Purchase of Replacement Tractor at John Glenn High School

A short discussion was held to discuss the details of the replacement tractor, and the situation leading up to the need to purchase. Tom McCormick made a motion to approve the purchase of the replacement tractor for John Glenn High School. Dennis Holland seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

5. Approve Conditional Waiver Application for Two (2) Days (12 hours) to I.D.O.E.

Richard Reese explained to the Board the plan for making up three snow days. The I.D.O.E. has issued a conditional waiver to allow schools to add a portion of additional instructional time to each day. Mr. Reese proposed adding a half hour to the end of each day for twelve days in March to make up one of the missed days, while extending two days to the end of the school year, on May 29 and 30. A short discussion was held to weigh other options. Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the request to add one-half hour to the school day for twelve days, those days being March 3-6, 10-13, and 17-20, and use May 29 and 30 for two additional make-up days. The motion was seconded by Dennis Holland and was approved by a vote of five to zero.

REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report
2. Conference Requests
3. Conference Reports

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Tom McCormick asked Pat Crone for an update on the NSC. Mr. Crone stated that negotiations are still ongoing.

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 4, 2014 7:00 P.M. UREY Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Bill Groves called the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. No other business was discussed. The executive session began at 8:10 p.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

INFORMATION & REPORTS

- General Fund
- Debt Service Fund
- Exempt Debt Service
- Exempt Retirement – Severance Bond Fund
- Capital Projects Fund
- Transportation Operating Fund
- School Bus Replacement Fund
- Revenue Report
- Fund Report
- Bank Statement
- Before & After Care
- 2011 Go Bonds I & II
- NLES Bank Reconciliation Statement
- NLES Statement of Funds
- WES Bank Reconciliation Statement
- WES Statement of Funds
- JGHS Bank Reconciliation Statement
- JGHS Statement of Funds
- UMS Bank Reconciliation Statement
- UMS Statement of Funds
- State Board of Accounts Report

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