

GARDNER-SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
GARDNER, IL 60424

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2011
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Gardner-So. Wilmington High School Board of Education, Counties of Grundy and Kankakee, IL was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President David Doglio.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Brooks, Doglio, Finn, Gerber and Male. Mr. Elens arrived at 8:02 p.m. Also in attendance was Superintendent Dr. Richard Decman. All members were present "in person."

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE, INTRODUCTIONS: Barb Baker, Jimmy Riley, Ben Seeman, GSW HS Technology Director, Mike Perrott and Dave Pistorius & Kevin from First MidState Bonds. Walter Debelak arrived at 7:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES: May 17, 2011 (Regular & Closed Meetings) and June 6, 2011 (Special & Special Closed Meetings) and June 9 & June 14 (Building Renovation Committee Meetings). Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Regular & Closed Meeting minutes and the Special & Special Closed Meeting minutes and the Building Renovation Committee Meeting minutes for the month of May & June.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & APPROVAL OF PAYROLL: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the bills for the month of *June* and payroll for the month of *May*.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve the Financial Reports for the month of *May*.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barb Baker stated that she heard from community members that the BOE was going to abandon current plans for roof repairs and wait until next summer. She strongly expressed her concerns that this would be a bad idea and that the school should move forward to get the roof(s) repaired for the safety of students and school personnel. She also suggested that when we get bids from contractors for the bathroom repairs, we should not tell them our price-range, rather just ask for bids. David Doglio, President and Pam Brooks, Vice-President both explained that if the incoming bids are under \$50,000, the school does not have to use an architect on the bathroom project.

Dave Pistorius and Kevin, from First MidState Bonds, were present to discuss the final steps in the process on our bonds. (Adopt Bond Resolution for \$670,000). They distributed packets to each BOE member. Mr. Pistorius reviewed the packets and took questions from the board. He stated that GSW HS will receive a wire transfer for

\$670,000 that will need to be deposited into a Project Fund (Site/Capital Investment). The school can earn interest on the bond money, but the bond proceeds need to be spent first. GSW needs to spend the money in 3-years. The interest can be transferred into another account that the school feels needs money at that time, as long as it is proved to be interest money. Mr. Pistorius also explained some new IRS rules and the fact that GSW may receive an audit on the Bonds. Someone in the district needs to be appointed as the Compliance Office, which is usually the District Treasurer. This person would be the main contact for the IRS, if an audit should occur. First MidState stated that they would supply a disk containing all of the paperwork from start to finish on the bonds. This information, along with the school's Annual Audit, is usually all the information needed in an audit. Also, the District Treasurer needs to give an Annual Report to the BOE about where the money has been spent and how much interest was earned on the Bond money.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: NO REPORT THIS MONTH

OTHER REPORTS AND ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- **2011-2012 School Fees** = These fees are approved annually by the BOE. The only change to the fees is that a "schedule change fee" is no longer being assessed. This fee was determined to not be necessary by our Guidance Counselor, Jennifer Kilmer, as a result of the switch from "block" to "traditional" schedule.
- **Summary of the Year Address** = Dr. Decman compiled a summary of the activities that have been accomplished this past year. This list is by no means all-inclusive, but it does allow a little perspective on all the issues, topics and problems that have been addressed over the last three to four years.
- **Open Meetings Act Discussion** = Mr. Ken Florey, our attorney, was at the June 20 Special Meeting to give the BOE a tutorial on the Open Meetings Act. Since this topic was discussed at last night's meeting, there were no additional comments or questions.
- **Attorney General's Office Letter and GSW Response** = Mr. Ken Florey, our attorney, was at the June 20 Special Meeting to discuss the letter and GSW's response with the BOE. Since this topic was discussed at last night's meeting, there were no additional comments or questions.
- **Floor Maintenance Bid** = Dr. Decman reviewed a bid from Custom Cleaning Inc for floor maintenance. He will be asking the BOE for approval on this large project, so Walter Debelak, Head of Maintenance, can move forward on other tasks. The BOE decided to have Customer Cleaning Inc re-bid for all stairs, hallways and carpet (not to exceed \$9,600).
- **Summer Projects** = Walter Debelak was present to discuss his Summer Maintenance Work for 2011. He spoke to the BOE about repairing the current bleachers in the gym.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Building Renovation Committee Up-Date** = The Building Renovation Committee met twice (June 9 and June 14, 2011) to discuss the priorities and costs of the various potential projects. At tonight's meeting, they reviewed information received from the June 20 Special Meeting and determined that they need Architectural Firm, Healy/Bender back in to spec out the roofs, each one individually. The roof still remains the #1 priority, but the work will not be done by the time school starts on August 16. The bathrooms are also a high priority item. They determined that tiles need to be tested for Abestos first, before any work can be started. Dr. Decman agreed to call Ideal Environmental to see if the company can come out and test all necessary areas within the school.

- **Gym Banners** = Shane Tucker, Athletic Director, is asking for approval to purchase 8 new banners at \$150 per banner, plus shipping, for the gym.
- **Intercom System** = Ben Seeman, Technology Director, was present to let the BOE know that he has been meeting with several different intercom system providers. He presented two bids & options that he thinks would be best for GSW. CDWG has the most capabilities, offering a total digital system. Their quote was \$93-\$110,000. CES, a company from Joliet, offered a Hybrid system with an analog intercom system, integrated with a digital phone system. Their quote was \$53-\$68,000. He also informed the BOE that he was currently working on a COPS technology grant. This grant would pay for 50% of safety upgrades. Updating our intercom and phone systems would fit into this category.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to go into closed session at 9:28 p.m.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

REGULAR SESSION: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to return to regular session at 10:30 p.m.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ENCLOSED LIST OF COACHES FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the enclosed list of coaches for the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF THE BIOLOGY TEACHER: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to accept the resignation of the Biology teacher, Stephanie Pasek.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL FEES, AS PRESENTED: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the 2011-2012 school fees, as presented.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VARSITY VOLLEYBALL COACH FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: VOID (Already approved on the list of coaches)

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2011 FOR THE GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON DISTRICT #73: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the Resolution providing for the issuance of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2011 for the Gardner-South Wilmington District #73.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH GAVC FOR THE SHARED BOOKKEEPER, AS ENCLOSED: Mr. Male motioned and

seconded by Mrs. Gerber to accept the amended Intergovernmental Agreement with GAVC for the shared bookkeeper.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE A BID FROM JOHNSON-DOWNS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO INSTALL A DROP CEILING FOR \$14,225, PLUS \$2,678 FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE CURRENT 2X4 TILES: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to approve a bid from Johnson-Downs Construction Company to install a drop ceiling for \$14,225, plus \$2,678 for the demolition of the current 2x4 tiles.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO EMPLOY THE VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL COACH FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: VOID (Already approved on the list of coaches)

ACTION ON 2nd BOARD MEETING: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to cancel the 2nd Board Meeting for the month of *May*.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright.

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE DEAN OF STUDENTS' CONTRACT FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR, AS PRESENTED: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the Dean of Students' Contract for the 2011-2012 school year, as presented.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MATH CLUB SPONSOR FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Math Club Sponsor, Scott Hunt, for the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLASS OF 2015 SPONSOR FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the Class of 2015 Sponsor, Angelena Dallio, for the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLASS OF 2014 SPONSOR FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the Class of 2014 Sponsor, Kristine Spiezio, for the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn and Gerber.

NAYES: Male

MOTION CARRIED: 5-1.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLASS OF 2013 SPONSOR FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Class of 2013 Sponsor, Michelle Scaccia, for the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASING OF 8 BANNERS FOR THE GYM AT A COST OF \$150 PER BANNER: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to approve the purchasing of 8 banners for the gym at a cost of \$150 per banner, taking caution on hanging / displaying the banners to prevent any water damage.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Finn, Gerber and Male.

NAYES: Elens

MOTION CARRIED: 5-1.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO BEGIN THE BID PROCESS FOR A NEW INTERCOM SYSTEM: TABLED.

MOTION TO APPROVE A BID FOR FLOOR MAINTENANCE ON ALL STAIRS, HALLWAYS AND CARPET, NOT TO EXCEED \$9,600, DURING THE SUMMER OF 2011: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve a bid for floor maintenance on all stairs, hallways and carpet, not to exceed \$9,600, during the summer of 2011.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE A VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT CHEERLEADING COACH: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve a Volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach, Alison Serena.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE ENERGY SERVICES CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH AMERESCO: TABLED.

ACTION ON 2ND BOARD MEETING: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to cancel the 2nd board meeting for the month of June.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION ITEMS: Superintendent Decman reviewed the following:

- GSW received an Energy Savings Grant in the amount of \$20,043.00.
- Legislative Up-Date = Latest news from the legislature about education
- FOIA Requests = 1 request this month from Barb Baker (community member) regarding Energy Services Agreement / Contracts.
- Health Insurance Rates = rates are actually going down this year, which is great news for the employees at GSW HS who are participating in the insurance program
- Board & Administrator Notes – Latest edition of notes
- GSW HS was informed that Grundy County Special Education is in negotiations and things are not going well. We heard they may strike?

ADJOURN: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 p.m.

AYES: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber and Male.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

PRESIDENT, DAVID DOGLIO

SECRETARY, CARLA HUSTON