

GARDNER-SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
GARDNER, IL 60424

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2012
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 7:15 p.m. by President David Doglio.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Brooks, Doglio, Elens, Finn, Gerber, Male and Wright. Also in attendance was Superintendent Mr. Michael Perrott. All members were present "in person."

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES: June 19, 2012 (Closed & Regular Meetings). Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to approve the meeting minutes for the month of *June*.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to approve the Financial Reports for the month of *June*.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mrs. Susan Heerdt was present to represent the Teachers' Union. Mr. Ken Florey, school attorney, was also present.

OTHER REPORTS AND ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- **District Name Change** = Superintendent Perrott stated that there has been some public inquiry regarding changing the name of Gardner-South Wilmington High School to be inclusive and representative of Braceville. The Mayor of Braceville had attended an earlier board meeting to request that GSW change its' name to add Braceville. Since that meeting, Perrott has spoken to the Illinois State Board of Education and the school's attorney. The State Board indicated this decision lies with the current local school board to decide to change the name or leave it as is. The GSW BOE discussed this item and would like to have dialog with the members of the community before any decision is made. The board instructed Perrott to lay out a time line and opportunities for the community to communicate with the Board. The GSW Board indicated that they would like to create as much opportunity as possible for the community to give input. Perrott was instructed to explore opportunities like public forums, internet surveys and paper surveys. The BOE will not vote on this item until the December 2012 meeting or later.
- **Roof and Renovation Update** = Mr. Perrott informed the board that the roof work is almost complete. He is also very pleased with the work and timeline on the bathroom renovations. Restrooms are being painted, the floors are being put in, windows, toilets, sinks and hand-dryers are all being installed. Construction is coming along very well and will be completed before the start of school.

- **Interfund Transfer** = Superintendent Perrott stated that we need to transfer \$600,000 from the O&M Fund to the Capital Projects Fund as was discussed during the roof and renovation planning. The Capital Projects Fund was created to specifically hold the funds from the bond referendum and other revenues and to track expenditures for the roof / renovation projects. Revenues transferred into the Capital Project Fund from the O&M Fund consist of TIF revenue and local tax revenue. The school district also received a \$50,000 construction grant from the state that was deposited into the Capital Project Fund.
- **Start of School** = Mr. Perrott gave a few important dates:
 - August 1st (8am to 12 noon) and August 2nd (4-8pm) are Student Registration Days in the cafeteria
 - August 13 at 6:30 PM is 8th Grade Algebra Orientation in the cafeteria
 - August 13 at 7:00 PM is Freshman Orientation in the cafeteria
 - August 15 – Teacher Institute
 - August 16 – 1st day of Student Attendance
- **Building Summer Maintenance Work** = Superintendent Perrott informed the board that the summer maintenance crew is working hard. Most of the classrooms been cleaned, with the exception of a little dust remaining from the construction work. The hallways will be cleaned after all current construction work is complete. The exterior window sills and frames are being repainted. A few areas of the front lawn are being graded and re-seeded. Several bushes are being removed from front of the building. New hand railings for the upper gym area are being installed. At least two additional Handicap parking spaces will be added to the front area parking lot near the gym entrance. They have been measured to regulation and will soon be painted & stenciled.
- **PSAE Scores** = Superintendent Perrott and Mrs. Susan Heerdt discussed PSAE scores and compared this year's numbers to last year's. In Reading: this year 44% met or exceeded, last year we were at 37%. In Math: 54% met or exceeded, last year we were at 42%. In Biology: 54% met or exceeded, last year we were at 51%. These scores are preliminary and may be subject to change if there are corrections in student information.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Township Electronic Technology Recycle = Sunday, July 22 from 8AM to 12 noon is the date to drop off any computers, printers, monitors, batteries, televisions, etc. at the Village Township Building. Mr. Justin Stevenson, GSW teacher / Boys Basketball Coach, recruited some members of the GSW boys basketball team who have volunteered to assist. The local Boy Scouts were also contacted to assist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon the recommendation of the President, Mr. David Doglio, Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to go into closed session at 8:25 p.m.

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- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

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- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

REGULAR SESSION: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mr. Male to return to regular session at 10:02 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

APPROVAL OF DISTRICT NAME CHANGE: Tabled.

MOTION TO APPROVE INTERFUND TRANSFER OF \$600,000 FROM O&M TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND: Mr. Male motioned and seconded by Mr. Finn to approve the Interfund Transfer of \$600,000 from O&M Fund to Capital Improvement Fund.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE HIRE OF PART-TIME CAFETERIA/KITCHEN POSITION FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to hire Jennifer Fisher as part-time cafeteria/kitchen position for 2012-13 school year.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE JV BOYS BASKETBALL COACH FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Elens motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve Austin McDowell as JV Boys Basketball Coach for 2012-13 school year.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE VARSITY BASEBALL COACH FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to approve Austin McDowell as Varsity Baseball Coach for 2012-13 school year.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE PART-TIME BAND/CHORUS TEACHER FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Tabled.

MOTION TO APPROVE VARSITY SOFTBALL COACH FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Tabled.

MOTION TO APPROVE JV SOFTBALL COACH FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Tabled.

MOTION TO REHIRE PART-TIME CAFETERIA WORKER (COOK): Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Wright to rehire part-time Cafeteria Worker (Cook), Lori Mack.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

MOTION TO REHIRE PART-TIME JANITOR: Mr. Finn motioned and seconded by Mr. Elens to rehire part-time Janitor, Jon Korelc.

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

ABSTAIN: Male

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

CANCEL THE JULY 25, 2012 MEETING: Mrs. Brooks motioned and seconded by Mrs. Gerber to cancel the 2nd meeting for the month of July.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION ITEMS: Superintendent Perrott reviewed the following:

- FOIA Requests = There were no FOIA requests since the June board meeting.
- School District Financial Recognition = GSW has been recognized by ISBE for its solid financial practice. Districts are selected by using five indicators of financial performance:
 - Fund Balance to Revenue Ratio
 - Expenditures to Revenues Ratio
 - Days Cash on Hand
 - Percent of Short-term Borrowing Available
 - Percent of Long-term Debt Remaining

GSW has the highest scores in all categories.

ADJOURN: Mrs. Gerber motioned and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0.

PRESIDENT, DAVID DOGLIO

SECRETARY, CARLA HUSTON