

BOARD MEETING RECAP Thursday, October 11, 2018

These notes are being provided as an unofficial recap of the Grant County Board of Education Meeting held Thursday, October 11, 2018, at Dry Ridge Elementary. They are not and should not be interpreted as the official minutes of the meeting.

The Grant County Board of Education was called to order for its regular monthly meeting by Gene Nelson, Chairperson, at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, October 11, 2018, with the following present:
 Present--Gene Nelson, Chair (District 4)
 Present--Debbie Rogers, Vice Chair (District 5)
 Present--Charlotte Schmidt, Member (District 1)
 Present--Bryan Slaughter, Member (District 2)
 Present--Lisa Smith, Member (District 3)
 Also present: Matt Morgan, Supt.; Don Ruberg, Board Attorney; Linda Justice, Secretary to the Board

The Mission Statement was read by Debbie Rogers:

“The mission of Grant County Schools is to appreciate each student’s unique potential and to advocate for excellence in every child.”

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Jamie Kellam.

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS:

Mr. Morgan presented a construction update relative to final punch list items at the new Transportation and Maintenance facility.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

K-PREP, 2018: The following students were recognized for having earned **DISTINGUISHED in ALL CONTENT AREAS ASSESSED.**

Grade (17-18)	School / Student
3	CMZ: Jason Baumgartner, Kelsey Gentry, Addyson Owings, Moriah Wills, Abigail Yelton DRE: Carter Brady, Emmerson Walters MCE: Jacob Nicholson, Taylor Yates SES: Adrienna Blackburn, Bryden Moore
4	MCE: Hunter Lilly
5	DRE: Savannah Hedger SES: Michaela Madden
6	GCMS: Reading & Math Assessed. Brizeida Aguazul, Jacob Chischilly, Carson Cobb, Jasmine Devine, Luke Hillman, David Mangual, Jackson McComas, Sarah Russell, Johnny Scherder, Liza Simpson, Braeden Smith, Braden Sustarich, Bronwen Sydnor, Charleigh Taylor, Boston Traylor, Jackson Utter, Matthew Volker, Savannah Webb
7	GCMS: Reading, Math, and Science Assessed. Phoenix Button, Connor, Kochenour, Aiden Palmer
8	GCMS: Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Writing Assessed. Colton Scalf, Rhiannon Snow, Victoria Spaw

Following the awards, the Board entered into Executive Session, after which they reconvened their regular meeting, as follows.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

A job applicant spoke to the Board regarding a lack of feedback and poor communication relative to a position for which she had applied.

BOARD DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIONS:

(Unique business items will be listed in this recap first, with recurring/routine reports and business listed at the end.)

Fundraisers sponsored by CMZ PTT were approved.

A resolution was approved, indicating our interest in financing the purchase of new buses via KISTA. Action will be taken at next month's meeting relative to how many, type, and amount.

Approval was granted to create a new position for a Youth Service Center Coordinator at GCMS. This follows our successful application for state approval / funding to separate what is now a single YSC serving both the middle and high school into two separate centers. Tyler Mullins will maintain his position as YSC Coordinator at the high school, with the new coordinator assuming duties at GCMS starting January 1.

Approval was granted to create a Preschool teacher position at MCE, based upon enrollment. Motion was expanded to include approval of emergency certification if needed.

PRINCIPALS REPORT:

DRE Principal, Bobbie Pelfrey, introduced DRE's new counselor, Brandi Dunn, and the rest of the admin team. The Board acknowledged and complimented the report/presentation they had received in advance of the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding DRE's response to the TSI (Targeted Support and Improvement) designation they had received following the most recent testing period (relative to gap with the Special Education population). Response includes Read 180 and System 44 reading interventions; Zearn and Reflex math programs taught by certified teachers; targeted instruction for speech and LD students; and regular monitoring to see what is working and what is not.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Morgan reported:

- Grant County Schools, together with Kenton and Boone County schools, have been named recipients of a 3-year \$630,000 STEM grant for the purpose of supporting engineering programming / education in the three counties.
- Grant County's "Profile of a Graduate" work was begun this past Monday with several community members participating.
- GCHS's annual showcase event, "Let's Talk Turkey", will be held November 15. As in years past, Board members are asked to assist with serving the annual Thanksgiving meal.

- GCHS Boys Soccer, back-to-back district champs; GCHS Boys Golf, 11th in state!
- Plans are underway to meet with Ehmet Hayes Architects regarding pavement needs, costs, etc. (To do work over the summer, paperwork begins now.)
- Test score breakdown, by school, was distributed to Board members. Trend data shows stagnant growth, but Lucy Calkins reading and Eureka math programs are in place with results expected over the long term.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Mrs. Schmidt attended the 20th anniversary celebration of NKU-Grant County, at which time she learned that 59 slots are currently open for a free ACT preparatory course they are offering. Jamie Kellam will follow-up to be sure our students are aware and taking advantage of this opportunity.

Mrs. Schmidt also requested that working conditions in the old Eagle Creek facility basement be checked and confirmed as adequate.

MONTHLY RECURRING AND/OR ROUTINE BUSINESS / REPORTS:

Agenda for October 11, 2018, meeting of the Grant County Board of Education: Approved.

Minutes from previous meeting(s): Approved as presented.

Claims (Accounts Payable): Approved as presented, following inquiry regarding cost of fuel tank at new T&M facility and charges attributed to the Drug Free Communities grant.

Superintendent's Travel: Approved as presented.

DPP Report: End of 2nd month enrollment: 3545; Attendance: 95.26%

Attendance during the 2nd month dropped in every building.

2nd Month/YTD attendance by school and district is as follows:

Attendance	CMZ	DRE	MCE	SES	GCMS	GCHS	District
2nd Month	95.59	95.35	95.78	95.83	94.94	92.93	94.67
YTD	96.24	96.12	96.10	96.46	95.44	93.54	95.26

Financial Report: The financial report was shared by Mr. Morgan. Revenue will be increased in next month's report as there will be property tax receipts. Also the report reflects a slight decrease in SEEK funds relative to what was projected.

Energy Report: Shortened version of energy report to be forwarded to the Board.

Personnel Actions: Acknowledged.

FINAL ACTIONS:

Meeting adjourned.