

BOARD MEETING RECAP

Thursday, March 12, 2020

These notes are provided as an unofficial recap of the Grant County Board of Education Meeting held Thursday, March 12, 2020, at the Grant County Board of Education office. 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 Lisa Smith at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2020, with the following present:

Present—Lisa Smith, Chairperson (District 3)

Present--Charlotte Schmidt, Vice-Chair (District 1)

Present—Lori Flerlage, Member (District 2)

Present—Gene Nelson, Member (District 4)

Present--Debbie Rogers, Member (District 5)

Also present: Matt Morgan, Supt.; Board Attorney Jake Thompson; Linda Justice, Board Secretary.

The Mission statement was read by Charlotte Schmidt:

“The mission of the Grant County School Board is to join with community, parents, and staff to provide a safe, caring environment in a fiscally responsible manner. Our ultimate goal is to teach every child to “SUCCEED” at their highest potential through strategic policy decisions.”

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America .

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Wrestlers from Grant County High School were recognized for their Region 5 / KHSAA state performances:



-**Isaac Thornton** - Region Champion 120lb class and State Runner-Up 120lb class

-**Noah Toomey** - 3rd place 113lb. class Regional Tournament and State qualifier

-**Chase Simpson** - 5th place 126lb. class Regional Tournament and State qualifier

-**Bryce Martin** - 4th place 182lb. class Regional Tournament and State qualifier

-**Brayden Henson** - Region Runner-Up 195lb. class and State qualifier

-**Ethan Barnes** - 4th place 285lb. class Regional Tournament and State qualifier

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS:

Construction Report: The Board approved Pay App #3, officially closing out the GCHS / GCMS paving project. The architect has certified the job is complete.

BOARD DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIONS:

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

The Board granted approval to the Food Service Department to offer meals via the **Summer Feeding Program** again this summer. The Summer Feeding Program is designed to feed children 18 years of age and younger.

The Board granted approval for **two position changes in Food Service**: 1) a change in days for the Food Service Adm Asst / Summer Feeding Supervisor from 235 to 240 days (beginning July 1); and, 2) upon the retirement of the current Assistant Food Service Director, to restructure this position as an Account Clerk II.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Morgan shared with the Board that Governor Beshear recommended today (March 12) that schools cease in-person instruction for a period of two weeks (starting March 16) in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. For Grant County Schools two weeks away would mean coming back for one before leaving again for Spring Break. Mr. Morgan, therefore recommends that we close through Spring Break, with plans to return April 13.* Schools will prepare additional NTI instruction that will focus on reading, writing, and math. School-based scholars classes will be provided by the respective college(s) online. Questions regarding assessment, funding, and special education requirements are yet to be answered. The Board approved a motion/second to support Mr. Morgan's discretion to open/close schools as per additional expected recommendations by the Governor.

*On March 20, the Governor extended this to April 20.

Mr. Morgan reported positive feedback on the ACT Tuesday, March 10. We have seven who would have needed the make-up test day, March 24, but we will now be closed on that day. More info to follow.

The Conservation Dinner has been canceled.

The Military Ball and Chamber banquet are coming up, but no word yet on whether or not they will take place.

The Excellence in Education Banquet is April 21. We have two Golden Apple Award winners who are to be recognized: Barb Jones and Chastity Rohan.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: None

MONTHLY RECURRING AND/OR ROUTINE BUSINESS / REPORTS:

Agenda for March 12, 2020, meeting of the Grant County Board of Education: Approved.

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

Claims (Accounts Payable): Approved as presented.

Superintendent's Travel: Approved as presented.

DPP Report: End of 7th month enrollment: 3478; Attendance: 93.91%

7th Month/YTD attendance by school and district is as follows:

Attendance	CMZ	DRE	MCE	SES	GCMS	GCHS	District
7th Month	94.40	93.55	93.64	95.43	93.16	91.34	93.14
YTD	95.09	95.13	94.65	94.72	93.79	92.47	93.91
Enrollment	468	404	271	399	900	1036	3478

Financial Report: Cash statement submitted to Board. Property tax and franchise tax equaling >\$200,000 will be received March 13.

Energy Report: Brian Linder reported that as of end of January, energy costs were \$21,000 lower than last year.

Personnel Actions: Acknowledged.

FINAL ACTIONS:

The Board adjourned into Executive Session, then reconvened and adjourned regular meeting.