

CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
November 20, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wittenberg at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Vern Wittenberg, Scott Abel, Corey Petterson, Jill Nelson, Kayla Walberg, Dudley Wishard, and Randy Bodensteiner. Absent: None. Also present: Superintendent Ryan Grow, Principal Josh Tharaldson, staff and community members

- 3 **Community Comments** – Community Members were given the opportunity to make comments to the board.
- 4 **Spotlight on Education** – Mr. Bettin showed a power point presentation of activities that have taken place since the last board meeting
- 5 **Approval of Agenda** – MMS Bodensteiner/Petterson to approve agenda as presented. MCU.
- 6 **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings** – MMS Wishard/Petterson to approve minutes as presented. MCU.
- 6.1 10/16/23 – Regular Meeting
- 6.2 11/13/23 – Special Meeting
- 7 **Informational Items**
- 7.1 **Principals Report** –Principal Tharaldson presented the report, and discussed the following items: A) **PLCs** – The meeting times and process of PLCs was explained. B) **Science Conference** – We sent Mrs. Ehlers to the conference in Rochester that took place 11/9-11/11/23. Mrs. Ehlers was able to participate in numerous breakout sessions specific to the new science standards. C) **Creativity Festival** – 30th grade students will participate at the festival on 11/22/23. D) – **Veteran’s Day Program** – Special thanks to the Gonvick American Legion & the Gonvick Legion Auxiliary for their work on the program, which was held on 11/10/23. Thank you to Robin & the Food Service staff for serving a delicious lunch to the Veterans after the program. Also, thanks to the Music Department for their involvement and producing a great program again this year!
- 7.2 **Superintendent Report** – Supt. Grow discussed the following items: **1) Personnel** – A) **Open Positions** – FT Custodial, Indian Education Paraprofessional, and Softball & Baseball Coaches. B) **Negotiations** – They have gone well. There is a tentative agreement with Ed MN and the School District. Some language around PTO is being finalized. The plan is to have the final contract brought to the December board meeting for board approval. **2) Educational** – A) **Parent-Teacher Conferences** – Our second conferences were held on 11/16 & 11/17. B) **Winter Activities** – They are in full swing as of today. We are happy to have Knowledge Bowl back. C) **Open Enrollment** – Reviewed & discussed. **3) Legislative - A) Current** – There is nothing new to report at this time. **4) Financial** – A) **Investment**– Current rates from local Banks & MSDLAF were included with packet for board’s information. **5) Building/Grounds** – A) **Spreader** – Three quotes were received. Bobcat, Quick Attachments & Ironhide sent quotes. The Bobcat quote included delivery time of approximately 2 weeks, while the other companies would be approximately 6 weeks until delivery.
- 7.3 **Committee Report** – None
Negotiations – Chair Wittenberg noted that the board should have a contract to review at the December board meeting.
- 7.4 **Enrollment Report** – As of 11/15/23, our enrollment Pre-K through 12th grade was 529. This was an increase of 5 students from 10/15/23.
- 8 **Consent Calendar** – MMS Walberg/Bodensteiner to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU.
- 8.1 Approval of Bills Presented – All Funds
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| Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings: | 72037-72076/Wires |
| Payroll Checks/Direct Deposit | No Checks – All Payroll was Direct Deposit |
| November Bills | Voucher Numbers: 69016-69151 |
| | Check Numbers: 72077-72152 |
- Total Payroll/Expense Checks Approved: \$819,360.66
- 8.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions
- 8.3 Approval of Treasurer’s Report
- 8.4 Accept/Approve Donations
- 8.5 Student Activity Report
- 9 **Old Business**
- 9.1 **GVT Capital Credits** – The application was turned in on Monday, 10/9/23. We are currently waiting to see if we will receive them.
- 9.2 **Transportation** – An update was given.
- 10 **New Business**
- 10.1 **Consider Hiring the Following Coaches/Advisors for the 2023-2024 School Year** – Supt Grow presented the following individuals for the listed positions & salaries. He noted that once the new contract is approved at the December board meeting, these salaries will change. MMS Wittenberg/Nelson to approve. All voting in favor, with Kayla Walberg abstaining. Motion Carries.
Leah Watne – JH Girls Basketball Coach - \$1,800
Kayla Walberg - JH Girls Basketball Coach - \$1,800
Scott Schafer – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach - \$3,600
Morgan Gebhardt – Varsity Knowledge Bowl - \$1,440
- 10.2 **Consider Hiring Jennifer Zurhorst as Paraprofessional Educator at Step 7, \$17.06/Hr.** – MMS Nelson/Walberg to approve. MCU
- 10.3 **Consider Approving the Certified Staff Seniority List for 2023-2024** – MMS Wittenberg/Abel to approve. MCU.
- 10.4 **Consider Approving the Support Staff Seniority List for 2023-2024** – MMS Wittenberg/Walberg to approve. MCU
- 10.5 **Consider the Purchase of a Sand/Salt Spreader** – MMS Walberg/Petterson approve. MCU

10.6 **Consider Approving the MSBA Model Policy Revisions** – MMS Wishard/Petterson to approve. MCU.

11 **Community Questions to the Board of Education Regarding Agenda Items** – Questions were asked and answered

12 **Future Meetings**

12.1 Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, December 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

12.2 Truth in Taxation Meeting on Monday, December 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

12.3 Set Future Work Session Date – Monday, November 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

13 **Adjournment** – MMS Wishard/Petterson to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. MCU