

**GRIFFITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 18, 2014**

The Board of School Trustees of the Griffith Public Schools met in regular session at Griffith High School, 600 N. Wiggs Street Griffith Indiana on the eighteenth day of December at the hour of 2:00 P.M. pursuant to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by Raymond White, President of the Board of School Trustees. After the Pledge of Allegiance, on call of the roll members were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present: Raymond White, President
Richard Muha, First Vice-President
Gerald Potacki, Secretary
John Dudlicek, Assistant Secretary

Absent: Jennifer Dildine, Second Vice-President

Others Present: Dr. Peter Morikis, Superintendent
Jeannette Bapst, Assistant to the Superintendent
Aron Borowiak, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Rhett Tauber, School Attorney
Kathy Carter, Secretary to the Superintendent

Prayer: Pastor Stephen Sluder of Griffith Church of God provided the inspirational message/prayer.

Superintendent's Remarks: None

Delegations and/or Communications: None

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Mr. Muha made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 13, 2014 Board Meeting. Mr. Potacki seconded the motion. There being no discussion motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Claims: Mr. Muha made a motion to accept Regular Claims #19236 to #19413, Professional Leaves #1185 to #1197 and Donations #197 to #199. Mr. Dudlicek seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Bapst presented the Board with the monthly Treasurer's report.

2015-2016 School Calendar: Dr. Morikis asked to the Board to approve the 2015-2016 school calendar. Mr. Dudlicek motioned to approve calendar choice D as presented in the Board packet. Mr. Muha seconded the motion. Mr. Dudlicek explained that there were 4 calendars proposed. The Board chose the calendar that they felt would be most beneficial for the students. There being no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Public Records Discard Notice: Dr. Morikis asked the Board to approve the request to discard public records that have exceeded the state mandated retention requirements. Mr. Potacki motioned to approve the request, Mr. Muha seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Authorization to Issue Foodservice Request for Proposal: Ms. Bapst petitioned the Board to give authorization to issue a Foodservice Request for Proposal. The district received Department of Education's approval on 12-17-14. Mr. Muha motioned to authorize the Foodservice Request for Proposal. Mr. Dudlicek seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

DECA Spirit Store, Cash Box Authorization: Ms. Bapst asked the Board to approve a \$150.00 cash box for the DECA Spirit Store. She explained that DECA will sell spirit wear from an actual store front located in the high school. Mr. Muha made a motion to authorize the cash box. Mr. Dudlicek seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Board Policies Second Reading and Adoption: Dr. Morikis presented the Board with proposed changes and additions to Board Policies listed on Addendum A for their 2nd reading and adoption. Mr. Dudlicek moved in favor of approval and Mr. Muha seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #614 Transfer Determination: Dr. Morikis asked the Board to approve Resolution #614. Mr. Dudlicek motion to approve resolution #614 as presented in the Board packet. Mr. Potacki seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Overnight Trip Request Thespian State Competition January 23, 2015 – January 25, 2015: Dr. Morikis petitioned the Board to approve the Thespians overnight trip request. This is a competition that the team has participated in for a number of years. Mr. Potacki motioned to approve the trip request. Mr. Muha seconded the motion. Mr. Dudlicek asked if the team performed at the competition. Audience member Ms. Lisa Megquier, former Thespian sponsor, responded that in the past the team has performed and watched other teams perform and participate in other types of competitions. There being no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Personnel Action: Dr. Morikis presented the revised Personnel Report, recommending the following personnel items:

Assignments

Certified

Julie Winston Temporary 4th Grade Wadsworth, effective 1-5-15 to 3-27-15 for Sarah Sexson
Mark Reid GAP teacher, effective 1-5-15, pending screenings

Classified

Jeanne Dolatowski Playground Supervisor, effective 11-19-14
Peggy Glennie Title 1 Interventionist, Wadsworth Elementary, effective 12-1-14
Desiree Jones Title 1 Interventionist, Ready Elementary, effective 12-1-14

Extra-Curricular

Paul Esquivel Girls Grade 7 Basketball Coach, effective 12-15-14 to 3-7-15
Ben Geffert Weight Room Coordinator, effective 8-19-14
Dana Luyster Math Bowl Sponsor, Beiriger Elementary, effective 11-1-14
Amanda Stinnett Girls Grade 8 Basketball Coach, effective 12-15-14 to 3-7-15

Separations

Certified

Thom Howell Business Teacher, effective 6-9-15, retirement

Classified

Jeanne Dolatowski Cafeteria Matron, effective 11-18-14, resignation
Dennis Lucious Custodian III Wadsworth Elementary, effective 1-30-15, resignation

Extra-Curricular

None

Other

Authorization for health insurance 'premium holiday,' February 2015
Settlement Agreement

Mr. Muha motioned to accept the revised personnel report and Mr. Dudlicek seconded the motion. There being no discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Audience Participation (Agenda Items): An audience member asked about the transfer student resolution. Dr. Morikis explained that this resolution will permit 10 non-resident students per grade level district wide to apply for a transfer to our district. The applications must be received by July 1st of the new school year. Employees will have the opportunity to transfer their students to our district and their applications will have precedence over the other applications. If there are more than 10 applicants per grade level, the excess applications will be approved via a lottery system.

Good of the Corporation: Dr. Morikis presented outgoing Board members Mr. Muha and Mr. Dudlicek with service plaques recognizing the number of years they served as Board members. Both Mr. Muha and Mr. Dudlicek expressed that it was an honor to serve the children and community of Griffith Public Schools.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

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Addendum A Vol. 26 No. 2 and Vol. 27 No. 1

Policies Presented for Second Reading, Change, New and Deletions

100	Definitions – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
131 (132.1)	Functions – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
10 140	0142.3 - Technical Correction, 0144.1 – Revised, 0144.3 Technical Correction - Vol. 27 No. 1
1220	Employment of the Superintendent – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
1240	Evaluation of the Superintendent – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
1241	Non-Reemployment of the Superintendent – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
1615	Use of Tobacco by Administrators – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
1617	Weapons – New – Vol. 26 No. 2
2221	Mandatory Curriculum – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
2221	Mandatory Curriculum – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
2461	Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities - Renumbered to 5605 – Vol. 26 No. 2
3120	Employment of Professional Staff – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
3120.08	Employment of Personnel for Extracurricular Activities – Revised Vol. 26 No. 2
3122.01	Drug-Free Workplace – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
3170 3170	Substance Abuse – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
15 3215	Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
3217	Weapons – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
3124	Employment Contracts with Professional Employees – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
3419	Group Health Plan – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
4120	Employment of Support Staff – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
4120.08	Employment of Personnel for Extracurricular Activities – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
4122.01	Drug-Free Workplace – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
4170	Substance Abuse – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
4215	Use of Tobacco by Support Staff – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
4217	Weapons – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
4419	Group Health Plans – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
5111	Determination of Legal Settlement and Eligibility for Enrollment of Students Without Legal Settlement in the Corporation – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
20 5320	Immunization – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
5330	Use of Medication – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
5340.01	Student Concussions and Sudden Cardiac Arrest – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
5512	Use of Tobacco – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
5605	Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities – Renumbered From 2461 – Vol. 26 No. 2

- 5630.01 Seclusion and Physical Restraint – District Specific – language approved 8-10-14 Board – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 5772 Weapons – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 5830 Student Fundraising – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 7217 Possession of Firearms and Weapons by Visitors – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 7434 Use of Tobacco by Visitors – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 8311 Public Access to Employee Contracts – New – Vol. 26 No. 2
- 330 8330 Student Records – Revised – Vol. 27 No. 1
- 151 8451 Pediculosis (Head Lice) – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
- 8455 Coach Training – New – Vol. 27 No. 1
- 9270 Equivalent Instruction For Compulsory Attendance Compliance Purposes – Revised – Vol. 26 No. 2