

Greene County Community School District
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2021

The Greene County Community School District Board of Directors met in regular session on June 16, 2021, in the District Board Room, located in the Middle School. President Steve Karber called the meeting to order at 5:15p.m. and read the District Vision/Mission statement. Directors Steve Fisher, John McConnell and Catherine Wilson; Superintendent Tim Christensen and Board Secretary Brenda Muir were all present. Director Mike Dennhardt was absent.

McConnell made and Fisher seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

During Open Forum, good comments were heard on the building tours offered during the Bell Tower weekend.

The consent items were approved on a motion made by Fisher and seconded by Wilson. Motion carried 4-0. Consent items were: Minutes: May 19, 2021 special meeting and regular monthly meeting; Bills as presented; Financial Reports: May 2021; Resignations: CheyAnne Exline – Elementary Associate, JoAnn Smith – Foodservice Cook; Hirings: Audrey Hinote – School/Family Liaison Coordinator, Ellen Ritter – School/Family Liaison, Jeff Kruse – Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Derek Merk – Assistant Middle School Football Coach, Michelle Dolder – Middle School Physical Education Teacher; Contract Change: Erin Daniel - .75 time to .80 time teacher.

Superintendent Christensen presented a summary of the Negotiation Committee's meeting on the extra-curricular pay schedule. The committee recommended deleting Drill Team, Summer Safari, Adult Education Director and Vocational Education Director from the listing, due to vacancy, duplication or no longer needed. The committee also recommended adding E-Sports to the list at a total of 12 units to be split amongst coaches. They determined Ram Fanatic did not fall under the extra curriculum pay schedule. Payment per diem for ten extra days would be in line with other such teaching duties. Fisher made and McConnell seconded a motion to approve the committee's recommendations. Motion carried 4-0.

The second reading of revised Board Policy 403.6 – Drug and Alcohol Testing Program was approved on a motion made by Wilson, seconded by Fisher. Motion carried 4-0. The revision updates the address and the contact person.

Fisher made a motion to hold a public hearing at the July 21, 2021 regular board meeting at 5:15 p.m. at 101 Ram Drive, Jefferson, Iowa on the proposed uses of the ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) fund allocation. Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Administrative Reports were given by Principals Brian Phillips, Shawn Zanders, Scott Johnson, Director of Teaching and Learning Karen Sandberg, Reading Specialist Julie Neal, Instructional Math Coach Audrey Hinote and Shawn DeMoss, representing the Buildings, Grounds and Transportation Departments. President Karber reported on the CTE Advisory Committee and the ISU Extension summer camps.

EMC Insurance has requested the District implement a formal Return to Work Program, for employees with work compensation injuries that are unable to perform their regular duties. Fisher made and Wilson seconded a motion to approve the administrative policies in the Return to Work Program document presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Fisher made and McConnell seconded a motion to approve the following change orders as presented: Middle School Renovation – additional interior door card reader for the office for \$2,046.53; High School/Career Academy – updates to the mezzanine boiler room, dumpster enclosure, IT room mini split condenser and handicap door operator for the office, for a total of \$25,099.13. Motion carried 4-0.

The bus transportation communication system was taken down with the Landus Cooperative explosion in May. The repeater was on top of the elevator. Fisher made and Wilson seconded a motion to move from the analog system to a digital system, to be purchased from Motorola Solutions & Unplugged wireless at a cost of \$52,817. Motion carried 4-0.

The proposed 2021-2022 fees were presented. No change would be made to book fees or lunch/breakfast prices. Book fees remain at \$30 for Kindergarten students, \$40 for grades 1-3 and \$45 for 4-12; Adult lunch is \$3.85, adult breakfast is \$2.25; Extra milk is 40 cents; Student lunch and breakfast will remain free for the 2021-22 school year with federal funding. There will be a charge for ala carte items and “seconds”. Family activity passes would no longer be sold. Season passes for adults would sell for \$100, student passes for \$50, senior citizen passes for \$25; Paton-Churdan season passes, for sports we share only, would be sold to those adults and students at half price, due to the limited number of sports seasons shared. McConnell made and Wilson seconded a motion to approve the fees as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

The first reading of new Board Policies 705.1A – Suspension and Debarment of Vendors and Contractors Procedure and 705.1B – Using Federal Funds in Procurement Contracts was approved on a motion made by Wilson and seconded by Fisher. Motion carried 4-0.

Board Policies 702-705.4 were reviewed. Motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Wilson to rescind BP 705.2 – Purchasing on Behalf of Employees and to approve the remaining policies with no changes. Motion carried 4-0.

Fisher made and McConnell seconded a motion to hold a public hearing on the sale of the real estate described as Parcel ‘A’ in Block 35, and also in part of the vacated Monroe Street, all in the original town of Jefferson, Greene County, Iowa, to the Greene County Early Learning Center. Public hearing to be held at the July 21, 2021 regular board meeting at 5:15 p.m. at 101 Ram Drive, Jefferson, Iowa. Motion carried 4-0.

During his monthly Superintendent’s Report, reported on summer lunch, ISU Extension day camps, STEM job career fair scheduled in the spring, Carl Perkins grant for CTE equipment and a new website and phone app being developed.

President Karber declared the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

President

Secretary