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13. Reconvene to Open Session

14. Personnel Action

15. Adjournment
Call to Order

Board President, Mrs. Kristen Andrews called the Genoa-Kingston Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Julie Ratliff, Kristin Brynteson, David Cleveland, Mary Hintzsche, and Kristen Andrews

Absent: Jake Wesner, and John Shipley

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent, O'Daniell led the guests and members of the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mission Statement

Board Member, Dr. Kristin Brynteson read the Mission Statement, "Preparing students to excel and contribute to their community."

Public hearings petitions questions and comments from guests and visitors

There were no public hearings, petitions, questions and/or comments from guests and visitors.

Consent Agenda

Payrolls, Accounts Payable, Minutes, Resignations, Employment, Coaches

A motion was made by Mr. Cleveland, and seconded by Dr. Hintzsche, to approve the August 9, 2019 payroll in the amount of $470,358.35, the August 23, 2019 payroll in the amount of $480,886.91, the August 2019 Payable Board Report in the amount of $250,367.01, the July 30, 2019 Board of Education Meeting Minutes, the August 13, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, the July 30, 2019 Closed Session Meeting Minutes, and the August 13, 2019 Closed Session Meeting Minutes. The approval of the closed session minutes does not constitute disclosure or dissemination until the Board has authorized the dissemination or disclosure of these minutes.

To approve the following resignations:
Rachel McPheeters - Teacher - Effective August 8, 2019
Leeann Mendenhall - Teacher - Effective August 6, 2019
Matthew Pierce - Teacher - Effective August 8, 2019
Joe Brooks - Custodian - Effective August 18, 2019
Cheryl Marth - Cook - Effective July 29, 2019
Felicia Olson - Middle School Cheerleading Coach - Effective August 7, 2019
To approve the following employment considerations:
Bradley Tyzenhaus - Teacher - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Kaitlyn Glasder - ESP - Effective August 22, 2019
Samantha Caldwell - Bus Driver - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Zyta Piotrowski - Bus Driver - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Kelly Kuschel - Cook - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Emily Prickett - Cook - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Deanna L'Huillier - Night Custodian - Effective August 26, 2019
James Overstreet - Night Custodian - Effective August 10, 2019

To approve the following coaches:
Brittany Foster - Dance Coach - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Jemea Green - Middle School Cheerleading Coach - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Barry Schmidt - Middle School Boys Basketball - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Erica Swan - Varsity Softball Coach - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Laura Volkening - Middle School Girls Basketball - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year

To approve the following volunteer coaches:
Randy Joos - Cross Country - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year
Stacie O'Daniell - Girls Softball - Effective for the 2019-2020 school year

Ayes: Brynteson, Cleveland, Hintzsche, Ratliff, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Krabbe shared the July Treasurer's report in detail with the Board.

Dr. Shortridge commented on July expenditures exceeding revenues, as typical this time of year.

A motion was made by Dr. Brynteson, and seconded by Mrs. Ratliff, to approve the July Treasurer's Report as presented.

Ayes: Cleveland, Hintzsche, Ratliff, Brynteson, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Old Business
Approval of Natural Gas Contract

Mr. O'Daniell commented on the discussion at a prior meeting regarding the natural gas contract. A motion was made by Dr. Hintzsche, and seconded by Mr. Cleveland, to approve the Natural Gas Contract with Direct Energy as presented.

Ayes: Hintzsche, Ratliff, Brynteson, Cleveland, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Discussion/Approval of Solar Contract

Mr. O'Daniell commented on prior board discussions regarding the solar project; MOU and contract with Verde Solutions.

Mr. Chris Waite from Verde Solutions addressed the Board and commented on the Board approving and signing the MOU as soon as possible to move the project forward with future discussions and to review the contract.

The Board held a lengthy discussion where they asked questions and shared concerns regarding the solar project, MOU and contract.

Mr. Waite addressed the Board’s questions and concerns.

Board President, Kristen Andrews was in favor of approving the MOU with future discussions regarding the contract.

A motion was made by Mr. Cleveland, and seconded by Mrs. Ratliff, to approve the MOU with Verde Solutions as presented.

Ayes: Ratliff, Brynteson, Cleveland, Hintzsche, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Review of Closed Session Meeting Minutes

Mr. O'Daniell reviewed the closed session minutes of April 11, 2017 through November 14, 2016 and recommend that they remain closed to the public.

A motion was made by Dr. Brynteson, and seconded by Dr. Hintzsche, to continue to keep the closed session minutes from April 11, 2017, through November 14, 2017, closed to the public.

Ayes: Brynteson, Cleveland, Hintzsche, Ratliff, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried
Destruction of Audio of Closed Session Minutes

Mr. O'Daniell reviewed closed session audio dates: April 11, 2017 through November 14, 2017 and recommend destruction of the closed session audio dated July 25, 2017 through November 14, 2017, and **not** to destroy closed session audio dates of April 11, 2017, and May 9, 2017, due to the content of the closed session audio.

A motion was made by Dr. Hintzsche, and seconded by Dr. Brynteson, for the closed audio dates April 11, 2017 through November 14, 2017 to approve to destroy only the closed session audio of July 25, 2017 through November 14, 2017 and not destroy closed audio dated April 11, 2017, and May 9, 2017.

Ayes: Cleveland, Hintzsche, Ratliff, Brynteson, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Discussion of Administrative Reports

Mr. O'Daniell commented on prior board discussion where the Board asked to review Administrative Reports.

The Board held a lengthy discussion regarding Administrative Reports.

The Board was in favor of moving all Administrative Reports earlier on the agenda for the Board of Education to perpetuate further discussions.

New Business

Annual Review of Hazardous Transportation Route(s)

Mr. O'Daniell stated this was an annual review required for the Transportation Claim to the state. He also stated there have been no changes to the district’s Hazardous Transportation Routes.

A motion was made by Mr. Cleveland, and seconded by Dr. Brynteson, to approve the Hazard Routes Plan as presented.

Ayes: Hintzsche, Ratliff, Brynteson, Cleveland, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

FOIA Report

There were no FOIA to report at this time.
Donations

Mr. O’Daniell stated there was a generous donation of $250 each in school supplies to KES, GES, GKMS, and GKHS.

A motion was made by Mr. Cleveland, and seconded by Mrs. Ratliff, to accept with gratitude these generous donations: $250 in school supplies to each school; KES, GES, GKMS, and GKHS from both Davis United Methodist Church of Herbert and the Kingston United Methodist Church in Kingston.

Ayes Ratliff, Brynteson, Cleveland, Hintzsche, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Board Discussion

Budget/Bond Discussion

Kristen Andrews recommended Budget and Bond discussion be added to every Committee of the Whole Meeting and added only to Board of Education Meetings when action was recommended. She also stated discussion items may be added to any agenda at the request of the Board.

Teacher Institute Day

Dr. Brynteson publicly recognized and thanked Board President, Kristen Andrews for speaking at the first Teacher Institute on Friday, August 16, 2019.

Bond Discussion

Mr. Cleveland recommended the Board implement a plan to address the impending Bond Payment.

Mrs. Andrews commented on the health insurance enrollment, budget and professional agreement when considering Bond options.

The Board shared concerns over funds in reserve, depleting funds, and the future needs of all building facilities.

Mr. Cleveland was in favor of changing board policy to set a maximum dollar amount the district could Bond for.

Mrs. Andrews was not in favor of changing board policy and tying the hands of future boards however; she was in favor of continuing Bond discussions at all future meetings, creating a timeline and scheduling a future a town hall for input from the public regarding the impending Bond payment.

The Board decided to continue Bond discussions at all future meetings and to hold a potential town hall in October of 2020.
Stop the Bleed

Dr. Hintzsche stated NIU is working to obtain a Grant to help with the Stop the Bleed education program.

Superintendent/Board Communication

Triple I Conference Workshops

Mr. O'Daniell commented on the Triple I Conference Workshops for board members to attend. He asked all board members to let Mrs. Mulso know what sessions they would like to attend.

Cogspanooza Tail Gate Party

Mr. O'Daniell commented on the annual COGSpanooza Tail Gate Party scheduled for Friday, September 6, 2019. All staff, families and board members are invited.

Kishwaukee Division Fall Dinner

Mr. O'Daniell commented on the upcoming Kishwaukee Division Dinner scheduled for Thursday, October 24, 2019 at Sycamore Middle School. He asked all board members to let Mrs. Mulso know if they will be attending.

Future Agenda Items

September 10, 2019 Committee of the Whole
Presentation - Dr. Mary Hintzsche - "Stop the Bleed"
District Strategic Plan - Goals #2 and #3
Budget Discussion
Bond Discussion
Superintendent Evaluation Tool Review
Discussion Solar Contract

Monday, September 23, 2019 Board of Education Meeting
Potential Budget Hearing
Approval of FY-20 Budget
Approval of PRESS Policies #101 including Board Policies updates 4:60 and 2:150
Salary and Benefit Compensation Report
Potential IASB Resolutions Presentation
Middle School Football Agreement
Potential Approval Solar Contract
Closed session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2/(c)(1).

Superintendent, O’Daniell requested a closed session for Student Discipline 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), as well as Employment 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

A motion was made by Dr. Hintzsche, and seconded by Mr. Cleveland, to convene to closed session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and Student disciplinary cases in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9) at 8:19 pm.

Ayes: Brynteson, Cleveland, Hintzsche, Ratliff, Andrews
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

Reconvene

The Board of Education reconvened to open session at 8:37 pm.

Personnel Action
No Personnel Action.

Student Discipline Action
No Student Discipline Action.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dr. Brynteson, and seconded by Mrs. Ratliff, to adjourn the Board of Education Closed Session Meeting at 8:38 pm.

Voice Vote: All
Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

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Board President, Mrs. Kristen Andrews

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Board Secretary, Dr. Mary Hintzsche