

GALLATIN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING May 9, 2019
LOCATION Gallatin County Educational Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction IL 62954, HS Library
TIME 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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Steve Galt
(Presiding Officer)

Gary Clayton

Rob Wood

Richard Case

Wes Heson

Matt Seely

Dr Blaine

Judy Kaegi
(Superintendent of Schools)

Gallatin County School Board Meeting
Gallatin County High School Library
May 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on May 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library at the Gallatin County Education Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction, Illinois 62954. President, Steve Galt, called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Those present were: Steve Galt, Gary Clayton, Wes Henson, Dr. Blaine, Richard Case, Matt Seely, and Rob Wood

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson for approval of consent agenda as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

The board heard a request for maternity leave from teacher, Danielle Lowery.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to approve the maternity leave from teacher, Danielle Lowery. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Rob Wood, yes; and Gary Clayton, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Collins Lambert at Elementary Teacher.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to accept the resignation of Collins Lambert as Elementary Teacher. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

The board heard a letter of retirement from secretary, Linda Bickett.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Rob Wood to accept the retirement of Linda Bickett as secretary. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

Approval: Steve Galt _____

Rob Wood _____

The board heard a letter of resignation from Jeff Herrmann as High School Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Matt Seely to accept the resignation of Jeff Herrmann as High School Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; and Richard Case, yes

The board heard the Superintendent's Report was given by Mrs. Kaegi, stating:

Thank you to the Junior Class and their sponsors; Jennifer Bean, David Cruson, Craig Utterback and Lindsay Adams, to all of the parents, teachers, staff or such a wonderful prom. The decorations were beautiful. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Gross for donating the delicious meal. All of this could not have been accomplished without everyone working together so well. It truly was a "Magic Moment"!

A huge thank you to Richard and Chris Siler and all of the coaches and helpers for another great after prom. Our students always have an active fun filled safe evening because of all of their hard work.

School is quickly coming to a close. The teachers met with their administrators on May 3rd to start finalizing all requirements for the end of the 18-19 school year.

Graduations are next Thursday and Friday, May 16th and 17th at 7:30. Mr. Austin will be playing Pomp and Circumstance and the choir will sing one song at both graduations.

Our last Teacher In-Service will be Thursday, May 30, 2019. All board members are invited to our annual retirement luncheon. The ceremony will begin at 11:30 and lunch will follow around 12:00. There are five retirees this year – Teacher, Cheryl Downen – 33 years; Bus Driver, Wanda Rexing – 31 years; Library Aide, Liz Bayer – 25 years; School Nurse, Dana Wargel – 21.5 years and Secretary, Linda Bickett – 10 years.

The last day of school is Thursday, May 31 with an 11:15 dismissal for students.

The board heard the Elementary/Junior High Principal's Report was given by Mr. Fromm, stating:

Teachers institute on May 3rd, the emphasis will be to discuss the new math curriculum.

Jr. High Awards day will be held on May 16th at 8:15 am, that evening will be 8th Grade Graduation at 7:30.

The Pre-K held another parent night for their Pre-K students on April 9th.

Kindergarten Screenings were held on April 17th and 18th, and Pre-K Screenings on April 24th and 25th.

The Talent Show held by the Band Boosters was a huge success, if you were not there you missed the debut of the choir and band lead by Mr. Austin. Everyone sounded great.

On May 2nd, WADI Head-Start brought a group to tour the school, they did this as an introduction for those students that they have that will be attending kindergarten next year.

The board heard the High School Principal's Report was given by Mr. Fromm, stating:

The High School Fishing Team placed 5th and 25th in the sectional fishing tournament at Lake of Egypt on May 2nd.

Congratulations to the ACES team on their 3rd place finish at the state competition. David Matthews was the first Gallatin Co. student to receive first place medal, he received not one, but two, Computer Science and Math. Lenyx Roe placed 3rd in Physics and Brock Seely placed 5th in Engineering Graphics.

The Gallatin County Band Boosters talent show hosted plenty of talent. The High School students who advanced to the 2nd round of competition were Rachel Carter, McKenzie Willis and Haley Bonneville.

The A/V class won a video competition hosted by Carmi White County Student News network for their rendition of Ferris Beuller. The video can be viewed at <https://www.facebook.com/cwcsn/videos630122227450033/>

Prom was May 3rd. This Magic Moment was the theme.

The FFA participated in the Coal Days Parade on May 4th.

High School Student Council hosted their Secret Pal Luncheon on May 7th. Staff were told which Student Council member they have been exchanging gifts with throughout the school year.

Awards Day is May 8th at 9:00. Scholarships and awards were presented to some of our outstanding students.

Seniors will be going to Chicago on their Senior Trip on May 9 – 10.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton second by Wes Henson to approve Administrator reports as presented. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Rob Wood to award the Trash Bid to Republic for \$925. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Wes Henson, yes, Rob Wood, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

--- Motion by Matt Seely, second by Richard Case, to approve the 5 year review, 2nd Reading 6.65; 7.185; 2.60; 2.50; 2.40 as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Dr. Blaine, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Rob Wood to approve the Policy Manual, 5 year reviews, 2nd Reading: 6.65; 7.185; 2.60; 2.50; and 2.40. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Richard Case, yes; Gary Clayton, yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Kaegi provided information about the Community Eligibility Program to the board for informational purposes.

The administrators provided the board with the Elementary, Junior High and High School Teaching assignments for 2019 – 2020.

Mrs. Kaegi presented the School Bucks and School Web Store to the board for informational purposes.

Mrs. Kaegi presented the Resource Management Review Report School Nutrition Program to the board for informational purposes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton second by Richard Case to approve the Publishing Notice and Place on Display the 2018 – 2019 Tentative Amended School Budget. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to set the Amended Budget Hearing Date and Time for June 20th at 7:00 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to change the Regular June Board Meeting time to 7:15 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.

The board discussed the appointment of Board Committees and made it a working document so changes may be made as necessary.

- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to approve the purchase of Batting Cage Option 1 with the understanding that the team will raise the money and keep the board informed of the progress. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes;
- Motion by Richard Case second by Wes Henson to move into executive session at 8:13 p.m. in compliance with 5ILCS 120/2©(1) stating: *Executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or legal counsel for the District to determine its validity – 5ILCS 120/2©(1).* (NOTE: An independent contractor is not an “employee” within the meaning of the Act. 5ILCS 120/2(d) In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Richard Case to move from executive session at 9:03 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED: 7 – 0: VOTING: Dr. Blaine, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to approve the closed session minutes as presented in closed session. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED: 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to employ Craig Utterback as the High School Boys’ Varsity Basketball Coach. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 6 – 1: VOTING: Richard Case yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Dr. Blaine, no.
- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Richard Case to employ Linda Bickett for less than 600 hours for the 2019 – 2020 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes;
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to employ Vanessa Williams as the 2019 – 2020 Agriculture Teacher. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Richard Case, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson at 9:05 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.