

**Galesburg-Augusta Community Schools**  
1076 N. 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Galesburg, MI 49053 \* 269-484-2000

**REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
May 21, 2012 – 7:00 p.m. – High School Media Center  
Next Regular Board Meeting: June 18, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. – High School Media Center

**MINUTES**

**Superintendent:** Tim Vagts  
**Board Trustees:** Bob Kinas, Karen Rutherford, Beth Wilson, Lynne Wells,  
Sandra Noteboom-Wood, Richard Fletcher, Chuck Whitman

Number of people in audience 11.

**I. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**A. Call Meeting to Order.** The meeting was called to order by President Kinas at 7:01 p.m.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**C. Roll Call.**

**Members Present:**

Bob Kinas  
Karen Rutherford  
Beth Wilson  
Lynne Wells  
Richard Fletcher  
Chuck Whitman

**Member Absent:**

Sandra Noteboom-Wood

**Administrators Present:**

Tim Vagts, Superintendent  
Chris Hurley, Primary School Principal  
Kevin Riggs, High School Principal  
Jeremy Mansfield, Middle School Principal  
Lynn Buchkowski, Special Education Director

**D. Agenda Approval.** A motion was made by B. Wilson and supported by C. Whitman to approve the May 21, 2012, GACS Board of Education regular meeting agenda.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

**E. Secretary's Report.** Recommend approval of:

The regular meeting minutes of April 16, 2012, the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of May 7, 2012, the Special Meeting minutes of May 7, 2012, the Closed Session meeting minutes of May 7, 2012, the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of May 14, 2012, the Special Meeting minutes of May 14, 2012, and the Closed Session Meeting minutes of May 14, 2012.

- F. Accounts Payable Report.** Recommend approval of accounts payable in the amount of: \$117,911.88 for April 4, 2012, \$63,601.48 for April 12, 2012, \$20,159.10 for April 19, 2012, \$37,648.01 for April 24, 2012, \$860.60 for April 30, 2012, and \$566,399.32 for April 27, 2012. **Grand Total: \$806,580.39.**
- G. Treasurer's Report.** Recommend approval of the Treasurer's Report dated April 30, 2012, showing a balance of **\$1,836,484.83.**
- H. Personnel.**

**APPROVAL:**

Recommend approving the resignation of Donna Hood as Elementary Music teacher effective June 30, 2012. Recommend approving unpaid leave for Kris Wirgau from April 1, 2012 through June 13, 2012.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

Renea Lundberg has resigned as a Title I paraprofessional at the Primary effective May 11, 2012, Tammy Tanksley has resigned as a Title I paraprofessional at the Primary effective May 7, 2012, and Todd Skinner is being recommended for the position of Varsity Wrestling Coach.

A motion was made by R. Fletcher and supported by K. Rutherford to approve agenda items E through H. Roll Call Vote.

**Members:**

Wells	yes
Rutherford	yes
Whitman	yes
Wilson	yes
Fletcher	yes
Kinas	yes

**AYES: 6 NAYS: 0.** Motion Carried.

**II. REPORTS**

**A. Community Input – Agenda Items Only**  
None

**B. PAC Special Education Award**  
Lynn Buchkowski reported that Jill Rekis is the recipient of the Parent Advisory Committee Special Education Award for Galesburg-Augusta Community Schools.

**III. BUSINESS ITEMS – DISCUSSION**

**A. Administrative Budget Recommendations**

Superintendent Vagts spoke regarding the administrative budget recommendations for 2012-2013. Information will be given to the Board in advance of the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting where they will make their final decision on the 2012-13 budget recommendations.

**B. Revenue Stream**

A discussion took place regarding possible revenue streams for the district. A revenue stream committee will be formed consisting of GACS Board members, staff, and community members.

**C. Two Year Contracts for Administrators**

Superintendent Vagts spoke of the offering two year contracts instead of the current one year contracts for administrators. A recommendation will be brought forth at the next regular Board meeting.

**D. Bond Results**

A discussion took place regarding the recent bond proposal results.

**IV. BUSINESS ITEMS – DECISION**

**A. Best Practice Incentive Resolution.**

A motion was made by C. Whitman and supported by L. Wells to approve the Best Practice Incentive Resolution. Roll Call Vote.

**Members:**

Fletcher	yes
Wells	yes
Rutherford	yes
Whitman	yes
Wilson	yes
Kinas	yes

**AYES: 6 NAYS: 0.** Motion Carried.

**B. Kalamazoo Community Foundation Spending Policy.**

A motion was made by R. Fletcher and supported by K. Rutherford to approve the Kalamazoo Community Foundation spending policy using the 4% fixed allocation for the Burge-Tindall Scholarship Fund, Kathryn Tindall Angel Fund, and the Kathryn Tindall Nature Awareness Fund. Roll Call Vote.

**Members:**

Wilson	yes
Rutherford	yes
Wells	yes
Whitman	yes
Fletcher	yes
Kinas	yes

**AYES: 6 NAYS: 0.** Motion Carried.

**C. Bullying Policy.**

A motion was made by B. Wilson and supported by R. Fletcher to approve the Galesburg-Augusta Community Schools Bullying Policy. Roll Call Vote.

**Members:**

Whitman	yes
Rutherford	yes
Wilson	yes
Fletcher	yes
Wells	yes
Kinas	yes

**AYES:** 6      **NAYS:** 0. Motion Carried.

**V. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Public Participation**

**B. Board Comments**

**C. Superintendent’s Update**

1. Food Service Review and report of no findings-
2. Mold work-  
Mold in the boiler room at the middle school has been cleaned up and will be monitored.
3. Tech Readiness Tool-  
All students will be required to complete state tests using a technical device by 2014.
4. Health committee recommendations-  
The health committee will bring a recommendation for a new health policy at the next school board meeting.
5. June meeting schedule-
  - June 4<sup>th</sup> – Committee of the Whole on Board Self Evaluation.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The May 21, 2012 regular meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

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Bob Kinas, President

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Beth Wilson, Secretary

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Brenda Sutherland, Recording Secretary