

Minute Record of Proceedings
Georgetown Exempted Village School District
Organizational Board of Education Meeting and Regular Board of Education Meeting
Held January 2, 2020

Just prior to the Organizational and Regular Board of Education Meeting on January 2, 2020, the oath of office was administered to Dr. Raymond Virost and Mr. Gregory Barlow, Board Members elected for the term of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023.

Eric Toole, Treasurer, read the oath as follows:

Mr. Barlow and Dr. Virost, do you solemnly affirm that you will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio; and that you will faithfully and impartially discharge your duties as members of the Board of Education of the Georgetown Exempted Village School District to the best of your ability, and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted, during your continuance in said office, and until your successor is elected and qualified?

Mr. Barlow and Dr. Virost answered, "I do."

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jonathan Linkous.

The Georgetown Exempted Village School District Board of Education met for its Organizational Board of Education meeting and Regular Board of Education meeting on January 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building at 1043 Mt. Orab Pike with the following members present: Mr. Greg Barlow, Mr. Richard Colwell, Mr. Jonathan Linkous, Mr. Ralph Sininger, and Dr. Raymond Virost. Also present were Superintendent Bradley Winterod, Treasurer Eric Toole, and guests.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Approval of Agenda
#01-20-001

Dr. Virost moved, Mr. Sininger seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

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**Election of President
#01-20-002**

Mr. Linkous, Chairman, called for nominations for Board of Education President. Mr. Sininger placed the name of Dr. Virost in nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Sininger moved that the nominations be closed and that the Treasurer be instructed to call the role on the nominees or cast a unanimous vote for Dr. Virost to serve as President of the Georgetown Exempted Village Board of Education for the 2020 calendar year.

Mr. Colwell seconded the motion.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

**Election of Vice-President
#01-20-003**

Mr. Linkous, Chairman, called for nominations for Board of Education Vice-President. Dr. Virost placed the name of Mr. Sininger in nomination.

There being no further nominations, Dr. Virost moved that the nominations be closed and that the Treasurer be instructed to call the role on the nominees or cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Sininger to serve as Vice-President of the Georgetown Exempted Village Board of Education for the 2020 calendar year.

Mr. Barlow seconded the motion.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Dr. Virost, Board President, assumed the chairman's role at this point in the meeting.

**Appointment of Legislative Liaison Board Member
#01-20-004**

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Dr. Virost called for nominations for Legislative Liaison Board Member. Mr. Linkous placed the name of Dr. Virost in nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Linkous moved that the nominations be closed and that the Treasurer be instructed to call the role on the nominees or cast a unanimous vote for Dr. Virost to serve as Legislative Liaison Board Member for the 2020 calendar year.

Mr. Colwell seconded the motion.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Appointment of Student Achievement Liaison Board Member
#01-20-005

Dr. Virost called for nominations for Student Achievement Liaison Board Member. Mr. Colwell placed the name of Mr. Linkous in nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Colwell moved that the nominations be closed and that the Treasurer be instructed to call the role on the nominees or cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Linkous to serve as Student Achievement Liaison Board Member for the 2020 calendar year.

Mr. Barlow seconded the motion.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Set Date, Time and Place for Regular Meetings - 2020
#01-20-006

Mr. Linkous moved, Mr. Sininger seconded that the Regular Board of Education meetings are to be held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (unless otherwise specified) at 6:00 p.m., at the regular meeting place of the Jr/Sr High School Student Center, 987 Mt. Orab Pike, Georgetown, Ohio, and that the Treasurer give proper notice of this schedule pursuant to R.C. 121.22.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Compensation of Board Members
#01-20-007

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Sininger seconded to approve compensation for Board members at \$125.00 per meeting with a maximum of one meeting per month to be compensated.

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Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Set Treasurer's Bond
#01-20-008

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Linkous seconded, to fix the bond for the Treasurer at \$20,000.00 and to authorize and direct the Treasurer to provide a bond in that amount satisfactory to the Board. A copy of the bond shall be deposited with the Board President, and a copy certified by him shall be filed with the Brown County Auditor.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Payment of Bills in Advance and Forego Listing of Bills in Minutes Book
#01-20-009

Mr. Sininger moved, Mr. Barlow seconded to authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills as they are received and forego listing the bills in Minutes Book as this is part of the monthly Treasurer's Financial Report to the Board of Education.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Advances on Tax Settlements
#01-20-010

Mr. Linkous moved, Mr. Colwell seconded to authorize the Treasurer to secure advances on tax settlements from the Brown County Auditor when funds are available and payable to the Georgetown Exempted Village School District during the calendar year 2020.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Resolution Authorizing Superintendent to Accept Resignations
#01-20-011

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Sininger seconded, to authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of

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the Superintendent's acceptance. The authorization provided by this resolution shall commence on January 1, 2020.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

**Resolution Authorizing Superintendent to Hire Staff Between Board Meetings
#01-20-012**

Mr. Linkous moved, Mr. Barlow seconded, to authorize the Superintendent, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to a subsequent vote of ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. Nothing in this resolution shall require the Board of Education to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal records check satisfactory to the Board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or Board policy.

The authorization provided by this resolution shall commence on January 1, 2020.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

**Legal Services Agreement
#01-20-013**

Mr. Sininger moved, Mr. Colwell seconded to renew the legal services agreement with the firm of Ennis Britton, Attorneys at Law, for the calendar year 2020 at the rate of \$225.00 per month plus postage and copy costs.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

**Minutes
#01-20-014**

Dr. Donohoo moved, Mr. Colwell seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held December 18, 2019.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
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Proclamation – School Board Recognition Month

I, Superintendent Bradley Winterod, extend the following Proclamation in conjunction with School Board Month.

WHEREAS, it shall be the mission of the Georgetown Exempted Village School District to provide all students with the best possible education; and

WHEREAS, the school Board sets the direction for our community’s public schools by envisioning the community’s education future; and

WHEREAS, the school Board sets policies and procedures to govern all aspects of school district operation; and

WHEREAS, the school Board keeps attention focused on progress toward the school district’s goals and maintains a two-way communications loop with all segments of the community; and

WHEREAS, serving on a school Board requires an unselfish devotion of time and service to carry on the mission and business of the school district; and

WHEREAS, the school Board must respond on behalf of the community to the educational needs of students; and

WHEREAS, the school Board voluntarily accepts the above-mentioned responsibilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Superintendent Bradley Winterod, do hereby proclaim January 2020 as School Board Recognition Month in the Georgetown Exempted Village School District. I encourage all citizens to publicly and privately thank the School Board members from all school districts serving this community for their dedicated service to our children.

**Fiscal Year 2021 Tax Budget
#01-20-015**

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Sininger seconded, based upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 Tax Budget.

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Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
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2020 Committee Appointments

The Superintendent appointed the following committees for 2020:

Personnel	<u>Mr. Barlow</u>	<u>Mr. Sininger</u>
Building and Grounds	<u>Mr. Colwell</u>	<u>Mr. Sininger</u>
Transportation	<u>Mr Colwell</u>	<u>Mr. Linkous</u>
Policy	<u>Mr. Barlow</u>	<u>Dr. Virost</u>
Finance	<u>Mr. Linkous</u>	<u>Mr. Barlow</u>
Wellness	<u>Dr. Virost</u>	<u>Mr. Linkous</u>

**Resolution Opposing the State of Ohio EdChoice
Scholarship (Voucher) Program
#01-20-016**

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Sininger seconded, based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Resolution Opposing the State of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program, as presented.

(SEE MINUTE BOOK FOLDER)

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

**Executive Session
#01-20-017**

Mr. Linkous moved, Mr. Colwell seconded, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (O.R.C.) 121.22, to enter into executive session for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of an employee, and all other matters required to be kept confidential by state statute.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
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Time entered executive session: 6:35 p.m.

Those present in executive session included the five Board Members, Mr. Winterod, and Mr. Toole.

Time returned to open session: 6:56 p.m.

Upon return to open session, the Chairman declared that the Board had discussed the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of an employee, and other matters required to be kept confidential by state statute.

Resignation - Certified Staff
#01-20-018

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Linkous seconded, based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Kevin Miller, High School Teacher, effective January 2, 2020.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
Motion carried: 5-0-0

Adjournment
#01-20-019

Mr. Colwell moved, Mr. Barlow seconded to adjourn.

Mr. Barlow: aye, Mr. Colwell: aye, Mr. Linkous: aye, Mr. Sininger: aye, Dr. Virost: aye
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Adjournment time: 6:58 p.m.

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Board President

Treasurer