

GALLATIN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETNG October 17, 2019
LOCATION Gallatin County Educational Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction IL 62954, HS Library
TIME 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Galt
(Presiding Officer)

Gary Clayton

Matt Seely

Wes Henson

Richard Case

Judy Kaegi
(Superintendent of Schools)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rob Wood

Dr. Blaine

Gallatin County School Board Meeting
Gallatin County High School Library
October 17, 2019 7:00 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on October 17, 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 meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

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

President Steve Galt appointed Wes Henson as Acting Board Secretary.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson for approval of consent agenda. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 5 - 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

The board heard a letter of retirement from Michael Crayne effective at the end of May 2020 – 2021 school year.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to accept the resignation of Michael Crayne at the end of the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 5 - 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes.

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

The annual Health/Life/Safety inspection will be on October 22nd by Dr. Keith Talley.

Approval: Steve Galt _____

Rob Wood _____

Our teachers went to the Saline County Teacher In-Service on October 11th for the first time this year. There were multiple sessions and presenters available and teachers were free to choose which topic they wanted to attend.

The Annual Fire drill with the fire departments was completed on Thursday, October 10th.

The Great American Shake Out was held throughout the U.S. today at 10:17 a.m. This is our earthquake drill that is done simultaneously with many schools and municipalities throughout the U.S. It went very smoothly.

School will not be in session on Monday, November 11th to observe Veteran's Day. Our annual Veterans Day Program will be November 8th. Ms. Montgomery and the elementary students will be putting on the performance with help from several junior high and high school students in the high school gym. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

The 4th & 5th Grade students enjoyed a great day at Ridgway Park on September 24th, it was Farm and Community Safety Day. Several organizations came together to put on demonstrations for the kids and emphasized safety.

On September 28th the Jr. High Student Council held their 10th Annual St. Jude Fun Run/Walk. It was a fun morning with a cake walk and BBQ was served as well.

On October 10th we held our annual Fire Safety Day for Pre-K through 4th grades. A big thank you to the Equality, Ridgway, and Shawneetown Fire Departments for bringing their equipment, doing demonstrations, and speaking with the students regarding fire safety.

Jr. High Girls & Boys Basketball practices have started their seasons will begin later this month.

Jr. High Scholar Bowl practice has begun and the first match is scheduled for October 31st vs. Galatia.

The Jr. High Book Club will be holding their 2nd Annual Career day on Friday, Oct. 25th. The Jr. High Book Club sponsor Karen Wargel did an awesome job of putting together this day for our students last year and we are excited to have it back. She currently has approximately 40 community members scheduled to present their careers to the Jr. High students.

The board heard the High School Principal's Report given by Mrs. Mitchell, stating:

Our enrollment is currently at 200 students.

1st Quarter report cards will be sent home tomorrow, October 18th.

Volleyball and Cross Country Senior Night will be held October 22nd.

There have been six (6) out of school suspensions.

Mr. Abell and Mr. Koester took several students to a Trade Expo at DuQuoin State Fairgrounds on October 2nd. Students were able to explore different trades the area has to offer for employment after graduation.

The student body voted for homecoming court on Sept. 30. Attendants will be: Sophie Howard, Jaden Scherrer, Addison Bean, Emma Weatherly, Makayla Gray, Maddi Koontz, and Queen Candidates; Whitney Hilburn, Audrey Jackson, Abbie Keasler and Kallie Keasler.

The Student Council met their goal at the blood drive they hosted on Sept. 25.

Red Ribbon Week will be October 21 – 25 with dress up days happening all week.

4E training is taking place in the high school this week. This training provides our students with skills in safety measures, if ever there were an active intruder.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to accept the Administrator reports as stated. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 - 0. VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to set the tax levy hearing for November 21st at 7:00 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 – 0. VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

The board took the McKinney-Vento Online Training.

--- Motion by Matt Seely, second by Wes Henson to change the November 21st board meeting time to 7:10 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes, Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to approve the second reading of Policy Manual Revisions 4:20; 5:35; 5:40; 5:130; 5:180; 5:310; 6:40; 6:110; 6:340; 7:240; 7:240-Ap2 as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to approve the purchase of the exterior doors on the West Side (Playground/Wellness) entrance as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to approve the job posting for the Maintenance position at \$45 - \$50,000, \$5,000 flex plan with IMRF. MOTION CARRIED, 4 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, abstain.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second Richard Case to approve the 2018 – 2019 audit report given by Greg McCalley and R. J. Tolliver. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 - 0. VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

--- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton, at 8:18 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.