

GALLATIN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING March 19, 2020
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
Wes Henson
Richard Case
Dr. Blaine
Matt Seely
Rob Wood
Judy Kaegi
(Superintendent of Schools)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gallatin County School Board Meeting
Gallatin County High School Library
March 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on March 19, 2020, 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: Steve Galt, Gary Clayton; Dr. Blaine, Wes Henson, Matt Seely, Rob Wood and Richard Case

--- 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; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Brandon Hendrix as High School P.E. Teacher, effective March 27, 2020.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Richard Case to accept the resignation of Brandon Hendrix as High School P.E. Teacher, effective March 27, 2020. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Gary Clayton, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Tiffany Sauls as High School Girls' Basketball Coach.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to accept the resignation of Tiffany Sauls as High School Girls' Basketball Coach. 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 resignation from Karen Wargel, effective December 31, 2024.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to accept the resignation of Karen Wargel, effective December 31, 2024. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; and Richard Case, yes

The board heard a request for FMLA from Mary Jo Gibbs.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to approve the FMLA request from Mary Jo Gibbs. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Gary Clayton, yes.

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

Tuesday, March 16, 2020, teachers worked on packets for virtual learning days for the mandated closure of Illinois schools by Governor Pritzker.

We were awarded the FY 2020 Round 1 School Maintenance Grant.

The Elementary/Junior High Principal’s Report was given by Mr. Fromm, stating:

Ms. Robin with University of Illinois Extension office visited the school and presented on nutrition, February 25, 2020. She spoke with students in Pre-K through 4th grade.

Becky Newton and the Jr. High Scholar Bowl team wrapped up their season on February 26th at the Regional Tournament in Marion. Congratulations on a great season!

On February 26th the FFA held a petting zoo during their annual FFA week. Students in Pre-K through 4th grade got the opportunity to attend. Thank you to Ms. Stricklin and the FFA for hosting this fun event.

On Wednesday, March 4th, 8th graders got to enjoy a field trip to the movies to see the Call of the Wild. They had been reading the book earlier in the year in Mrs. Wargel’s Reading class. The students all had a great time.

Illinois Assessment of Readiness Testing began on March 12th.

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

Currently there are 198 students enrolled in the high school.

We have had a lot of big accomplishments, academically, athletically and musically.

Members of Beta Club were top finishers at the Illinois State Convention on March 5 – 6, qualifying them for Nationals in Fort Worth, Texas in June.

Several band and choir members placed first and second in the solo and ensemble contest.

The varsity scholar bowl team won the regional championship.

Andrew Hubbs placed 2nd at the Illinois State Indoor Archery competition.

Audrey Jackson and Carly Foster were named GEC all-conference 1st team and Mackenzie Russell was named 2nd team all-conference.

Dawson Hish was named captain of the boys GEC all-conference team.

We are waiting to hear the results of the ACES team at this time.

We have had one out of school suspension.

Prom sign-ups ended last week. There are over 60 couples signed up to attend.

Dental Safari will be here April 8th and 9th. They offer students dental exams for school, as well as cleanings, fluoride, sealants, and follow up treatments.

The FFA will have their annual fish fry on March 20th.

Drama club will be presenting Alice in Wonderland on March 27th at 6:30 p.m.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton second by Matt Seely, MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.

NEW BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to approve Option 3 (teacher's choice) for the 2020 – 2021 school calendar. 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 Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to approve the IHSA Membership 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.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Dr. Blaine to award the bus loan to Legence Bank. 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 Dr. Blaine, second by Richard Case to approve the teacher evaluations 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.

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

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Patrick Abell for the 2020 – 2021 school year in accordance to TRS retiree regulations. 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 re-employ Linda Thompson for the 2020 – 2021 school year in accordance to TRS retiree regulations. 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 re-employ Kelly Crider for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Sarah Black for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Angela Cox for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Brooke Damm for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Rikki DeNeal for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Heather Pritchett for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Makenzie Tuttle for the 2020 - 2021 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 Wes Henson to re-employ Craig Utterback for the 2020 - 2021 school year. 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 by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Taylor Frailey for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Pat Koester for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Tyler Lambert for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Meredith Lamp for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Ben Austin for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Cassidy Mott for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Melanie Pittman for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Hannah Doerr for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Amanda Stricklin for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.

- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ teacher's aides for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to re-employ Rob Holloway for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: Gary Clayton, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Lindsay Adams as the WYSE Co-Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Jennifer Bean as High School Scholar Bowl Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Dave Cruson, JH Girls' Varsity Softball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Dave Cruson, HS Girls' Varsity Softball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Matt Lawler, HS Girls' Assistant Softball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Mariah Dennison as JH Cross Country Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Denny Anderton as Junior High Boys' Basketball Varsity Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Denny Anderton as the 5th and 6th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Cortney Legan as the High School Volleyball Varsity Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Danielle Lowery as the Junior High Cheerleading Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Billyjoe Menard as the WYSE Co-Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Craig Utterback as the High School Boys' Basketball Varsity Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Craig Utterback as the High School Cross Country Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Becky Newton as the Junior High Scholar Bowl Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Becky Newton as the Junior High Volleyball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Phil Givens as JH Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Denise Givens as JH Girls' JV Basketball Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Sarah Rushing as High School Cheerleading Coach for the 2020 - 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Matt Lawler as the High School Girls' JV Basketball Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Phil Givens as the 5th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Matt Seely as volunteer High School Boys Baseball Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, abstain; Gary Clayton, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to re-employ Zach McGuire as High School Boys Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2020 – 2021 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Dr. Blaine, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton at 7:34 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.