

MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION; **MAY 11, 2021**

JAMES J. GREENWALD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ♦ 3200 MARYVILLE ROAD ♦ GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS 62040



MEMBERS PRESENT: TALLIN CURRAN, LINDA KNOGL, BILL McMASTERS, ZACK NUNN, ERIC STACY, AND ERICA VENNE

DENNIS WILMSMEYER PRESENT VIA ZOOM

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: STEPHANIE CANN, ED.S., MARY VOSS, CHRIS MITCHELL, AND ATTORNEY TOM SCHOOLEY.

OTHERS PRESENT: STUDENT BOARD MEMBER ADVISOR, KAYLEE MCKINZE, GCPD OFFICER, NICK BAILEY

This was a virtual meeting that took place using the Zoom application. There were a total of four (4) Employees, six (6) Board Members that were physically present and practicing social distancing; President Dennis Wilmsmeyer was present via zoom. Superintendent of Schools Stephanie Cann, Manager of District Communications Chris Mitchell, Executive Director of Human Resources and Recruitment Jim Parker, Executive Director of Educational Operations and AEP Dr. David Keel, Executive Director of K-12 Professional Development/Curriculum Kristen Novacich-Koberna, District Attorney Tom Schooley, Director of Information Systems/Student Services/Enrollment Brad Ervay, Director of Technology Brad Smith, Chief School Business Official Zack Suhre, Special Education/Region I Executive Director Micki Watkins, Special Education/Region I Supervisor Jill Rellenke, Special Education/Region I Coordinator Stephanie Boyer, Supervisor Facilities Management Eric Smith, Food Service Supervisor Chris McCullough, Mary Voss, Student Board Member Advisor Kaylee McKinzie, and GCPD Officer, Nick Bailey

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION;

1. **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM;** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Board Vice President, Bill McMasters. Roll was called. All members were present and a quorum was declared. Vice President McMasters asked those present to stand for the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. He stated that citizens or parents with children in attendance, who did not wish to participate in the Invocation, could wait outside the Board Conference Room until after the Board moved to Item IV, Public Comment. Board Member Dr. Bill McMasters delivered the Invocation.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT;** Public Comment is a period of time set by Board policy when the the general public may give oral and /or written testimony to the Board of Education. Participants wishing to give public comment should register with the Superintendent prior to the Board. Comments are limited to two minutes.

Please send any public comment requests/statement to any of the following individuals by 4PM on Monday May 24, 2021.

Ms. Stephanie Cann, Superintendent of Schools, stepanie.cann@gcsd9.net

Ms. Cory Ervay, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent, cory.ervay@gcsd9.net

Mr. Dennis Wilmsmeyer, Board of Education President, dennis.wilmsmeyer@gcsd9.net

3. **MINUTES;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on May 3, 2021.

Members voting – Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA;** Motion by Member Wilmsmeyer, seconded by Member Stacy, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as follows:

A. Treasurer’s Report;

1. Treasurer’s Report for March 2021

B. Bill List

1. Bill List From April 9, 2021 to May 6, 2021

C. Request from Various Organizations:

1. Coordinated Youth and Human Services Golf Tournament.
Requested permission to distribute flyers for their Golf Tournament;
2. Linkage Agreement Between Frohardt Elementary School and Coordinated Youth and Human Services; Agreement between Coordinated Youth and Human Services and Frohardt Elementary School as partners for the Teen Reach Afterschool Program;
3. Kidmania Event Flyers; Requested permission to distribute flyers for their Kidmania Event;
4. Virtual Opera Camp For Kids Flyers; Requested permission to distribute flyers for their Summer Camp

D. Membership;

1. Illinois High School Association Fees are required. Mr. DePew requested required fees be submitted for membership with Illinois High School Association

E. Conference(s);

1. Illinois Association of School Boards 2021 Joint Annual Conference November 19-21– Fees are required. Superintendent Cann explained the importance of attending this conference. Superintendent Cann requested a Board Member to accompany her.

Members voting – Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer “aye”, motion carried.

5. **RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Knogl upon the recommendation of administration, to accept the following Retirements and Resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Stephen Balsai Sr	Custodian/Grigsby	Retirement	06/30/2021
Leigh Fanning	English Teacher/GCHS	Retirement	End of 2023-2024 School Year
Christine Counton	Teacher/Prather PreK	Retirement	June 2026
Steven Akeman	Social Studies/Coolidge	Retirement	End of 2025/2026 School Year
Cynthia Akeman	SLP/Prather PreK	Retirement	End of 2025/2026 School Year

Members voting – Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

6. **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**; Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran upon the recommendation of administration, to accept the following Leaves of Absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Elizabeth Szymcek	Monitor/Lake	Medical	04/12/2021 to 07/05/2021
Monica Brooks	ED Teacher/Wilson	Medical	2021-2022 School Year
Erica DiChristifano	Teacher/Prather PreK	Maternity	08/16/2021 to 01/02/2022
Nicole Schmidt	SLP/Prather	Maternity	08/11/2021 to 11/03/2021

Members voting – Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

7. **EXTRACURRICULAR RESIGNATION(S) FOR COOLIDGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR**; Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Venne, upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the Extracurricular Resignation(s) for 2021-2022 School Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Justin Warren	Coolidge Junior High Assistant Girls Volleyball Coach

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

8. **EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL YEAR FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Knogl upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the following Extracurricular Recommendations for the 2020-2021 School Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
DeRon Terry	Assistant Football Coach
Ginny Henson	Head Ticket Taker
George Kirgan	Assistant Wrestling Coach
Amy Pennell	Tech Arts Club (Technical Director)

Members voting – Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

9. **EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR:** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the following Extracurricular Recommendations for the 2021-2022 School Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Juanell Goodwin	Assistant Football Coach

Members voting – Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

10. **EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COOLIDGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR:** Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Venne upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the following Extracurricular Recommendations for the 2021-2022 School Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Chuck Noud	Electives Department Head
Laura Deluca	Language Arts Department Head
Jodie Jackels	Math Department Head
Jennifer Relleke	Social Studies Department Head
Tony Dodd	Special Ed Department Head
Chuck Noud	Head Band Director
Gayla Bennett	National Jr Honor Society
Terri Kunz	7 th grade Science Club
Terri Kunz	8 th grade Science Club
Terri Kunz	Science Fair

Terri Kunz	Student Council
Terri Kunz	Varsity Club
Terri Kunz	Young Authors
Chuck Noud	Yearbook

Members voting – Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer “aye”, motion carried.

11. **REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEER(S) FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Stacy upon the recommendation of administration to approve the following individual(s) for Volunteer(s) For the 2020-2021 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Montre Snead	GCHS Football Coach

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

12. **REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEER(S) FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Stacy upon the recommendation of administration to approve the following individual(s) for Volunteer(s) For the 2021-2022 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Sarah Chapman-Wiser	Coolidge Rise Up! Theater
Angel Creek	Coolidge Rise Up! Theater
Jennifer Relleke	Coolidge Rise Up! Theater

Members voting – Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

13. **EMPLOYMENT OF GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHER FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran upon the recommendation of administration to employ the following individual for the Granite City High School Math Teacher Position for the 2021-2022 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Terence Burke	Granite City High School Math Teacher

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

14. **EMPLOYMENT OF ASSISTANT BAND DIRECTOR CJHS/GCHS SPLIT FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran upon the recommendation of administration to employ the following individual for the Assistant Bank Director CJHS/GCHS Split for the 2021-2022 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jaida Brockman	Assistant Band Director CJHS/GCHS

Members voting –Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

15. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Stacy upon the recommendation of administration to approve the following individual(s) for Certified and Classified Substitutes for the 2020-2021 School Year.

: **Certified:**

Joshua Clark	Paula Kwiatkowski
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Classified:

Kenneth Harris

Members voting - Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

16. **RECOMMENDATION TO UPHOLD EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE** Motion by Member Wilmsmeyer, seconded by Member Stacy upon the recommendation of the administration, to Uphold the Employee Discipline Recommendation:

Members voting - Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

17. **RECOMMENDATION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REVISED POLICIES;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran upon recommendation of the administration to review and approve the following revised policies.

Policies

3:30 AP2	3:50 AP 1	7:160 AP
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Members voting - Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

18. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE AUTHORIZED PURCHASE OF 500 2-IN-1 CHROMEBOOKS FOR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS WITH CARES ACT GRANT AND TITLE I FUNDS. THE NEW DEVICES ARE A CONVERTIBLE DEVICE THAT CAN BE USED AS A TOUCHSCREEN TABLET OR A CHROMEBOOK WITH A KEYBOARD. THE AMOUNT COMING FROM CARES ACT WILL BE \$91,271.40, THE REST OF THE COST WILL COME FROM TITLE I FUNDING, \$116,163.60. DUE TO AVAILABILITY AND SUPPLY CHAIN DELAYS, THE DEVICES COULD TAKE 8-16 WEEKS TO ARRIVE AFTER THE ORDER IS PLACED;** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Knogl upon the recommendation of the administration to approve the purchase of 500 2-in-1 Chromebooks for Kindergarten students.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Quoted Price</u>
Trafera	\$ 442
CDWG	\$ 414.87 TOTAL COST (414.87 x 500) = \$207,435
STS Education	\$ 460

Price above includes device/chrome license/4 year accidental damage warranty.

CDWG is the selected vendor.

Members voting – Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

19. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE REVISED SCHOOL TIMES TO ACCOMMODATE BUS SCHEDULES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Venne upon the recommendation of the administration to approve the REVISED SCHOOL TIME TO ACCOMMODATE BUS SCHEDULES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

TIMES ARE REVISED TO ACCOMMODATE BUS SCHEDULES!



Granite City Community Unit School District #9
Times for the 2021 – 2022 School Year

Full Day Times

BUILDING	START TIME	END TIME
Pre-K (Prather)AM Session	8:45AM	11:15AM
Pre-K (Prather)PM Session	12:30PM	3:00PM
KG (Prather)	8:35AM	2:50PM
1-2 (Maryville & Wilson)	8:20AM	2:35PM
3-4 (Frohardt & Mitchell)	8:00AM	2:15PM
5-6 (Grigsby)	8:40AM	3:00PM
7-8 (Coolidge)	8:10AM	3:20PM
9-12 (High School)	7:30AM	2:40PM
ESSC Center (Lake)	8:25AM	1:55PM

HALF DAY TIMES (PLD)

BUILDING	START TIME	END TIME
Pre-K (Prather)AM Session	8:45AM	11:15AM
Pre-K (Prather)PM Session		
KG (Prather)	8:35AM	12:05PM
1-2 (Maryville & Wilson)	8:20AM	11:50AM
3-4 (Frohardt & Mitchell)	8:00AM	11:30AM
5-6 (Grigsby)	8:40AM	12:10AM
7-8 (Coolidge)	8:10AM	12:10PM
9-12 (High School)	7:30AM	11:30AM
ESSC Center (Lake)	8:25AM	11:55AM

APPROVAL IS RECOMMENDED. WE WILL PLACE SCHEDULE ON WEBSITE.

20. **SETTING OF DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATION OF THE GRANITE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran to approve adjusting the new starting time for the Board Meetings from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Member Dennis Wilmsmeyer commented changing the time to 6:00 p.m. will better accommodate working families. The new time will give working families more time to attend the meeting in person or on social media. All members agreed this is a good idea to make the starting time 6:00 p.m.

Members voting –Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

21. **AMEND THE PREVIOUS TIME FOR THE GRANITE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS TO 6:00 EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST, 2021;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran to approve the new starting time for the Board Meetings from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., **Effective July 1st, 2021.**

Members voting –Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

22. **SETTING OF DATES OF THE GRANITE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran to approve the changing the Board Meetings from two meetings a month to one meeting a month, **Effective July 1st, 2021.**

Member Dennis Wilmsmeyer discussed conversations have taken place concerning changing meeting dates from twice a month to once a month. Meeting packets are time consuming and having one meeting a month would decrease the time spent on getting the meeting packets ready. Changing to one meeting a month would allow more time to complete other projects. There was concern about the Bill List. Attorney Schooley informed the Board that he had spoken with Zack Suhre about continuing to send the Bill List out twice a month. Zack explained that would not be an issue. Bills will be paid. The Board would ratify the Bill List. Anyone with questions concerning the Bill List should direct questions to Zack. He would be happy to answer questions. Superintendent Cann added if there is any important information for the Board, she will send out an Update to keep the Board Members informed.

There was discussion regarding which Tuesday, the 2nd or 4th Tuesday of the month, to hold meetings. The decision was made to hold the Board Meetings on the 4th Tuesday of each month, except November and December. The 2nd Tuesday will be open for any necessary emergency meetings.

The dates for the meetings will be the 4th Tuesday, except November and December. Dates will be established and proposed at the May 25, 2021 Board Meeting.

Members voting –Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

23. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE BREAKFAST AFTER THE BELL OPT- OUT HEARING AUTHORIZATION;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Knogl upon recommendation of the administration to approve The Breakfast After the Bell OPT-Out Hearing Authorization.

This is strictly to set dates to OPT-OUT of The Breakfast After the Bell Program due to fiscal hardship reasons for the District.

Members voting –Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

24. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF THE GRANT FUNDED COVID RECOVERY AND INNOVATION COORDINATOR POSITION AND JOB DESCRIPTION;** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Curran upon recommendation of the administration to approve The creation of the grant funded Covid Recovery and Innovation Coordinator.

Superintendent Cann explained this is a grant funded position which will begin with the 2021-2022 School Year. This is a 12 month position. The Coordinator will be restructuring our curriculum to move our district forward with teaching and learning environments that are effective, efficient, empathetic, relevant, and durable for all students, families, and educators. He/She will coordinate with teachers to evaluate what is working and adding new curriculum for our students.

Member Venne expressed this sounds like a great plan to promote instruction.

This position and job description will be posted on our website.

Members voting –Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

25. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD RESOLUTION TO INTERVENE FOR 3951 Lakeview Corporate, Granite City Illinois 62040**; Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Venne to approve the Property Tax Appeal Board Resolution To Intervene for 3951 Lakeview Corporate, Granite City, Illinois.

Members voting –Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried

RESOLUTION

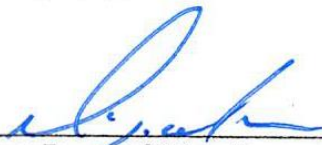
WHEREAS, Granite City Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, is a taxing body in Property Tax Appeal Board Docket No. 20-00828.001-I-3 an appeal by Pancel Lakeview Commerce 310 LLC from a decision of the Board of review of Madison County, Illinois and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is desirous of intervening in the above referenced appeal to the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, that the District intervene in Property Tax Appeal Board No. 20-00828.001-I-3 an appeal by Pancel Lakeview Commerce 310 LLC has filed an appeal from the decision of the Board of Review of Madison County, Illinois.

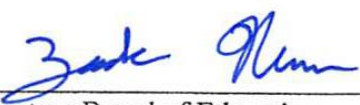
The District Administration is hereby directed and authorized to file the necessary documents to file the attached Petition to Intervene.

PASSED BY THE Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2021.



President Board of Education

ATTEST:



Secretary Board of Education



**Property Tax Appeal Board
Request to Intervene in Appeal Proceeding**

NOW COMES Granite City Community School District No. 9 and applies to the State Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB) for leave to intervene in an appeal proceeding before the PTAB. The appeal concerns a decision of the Board of Review of Madison County pertaining to the property appealed by Pascal Lakoview Commerce 310 LLC and described as follows:

Property Index Number: 18-1-14-22-00-000-008.002
Address: 3951 Lakoview Corporate Drive
Granite City, IL 62040

The appeal is identified in the PTAB's records as Docket No. 20-00828.001-4-3

The Intervenor's Interest in this appeal is as:

- ☐ The taxpayer or owner of the subject property.
- ☒ A taxing district which has a revenue interest in the subject property.
(PLEASE BE ADVISED THE REQUEST TO INTERVENE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE TAXING BODY AUTHORIZING ITS LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE TO FILE A REQUEST TO INTERVENE ON ITS BEHALF. PLEASE GIVE FIRM, ATTORNEY NAME, ATTORNEY ADDRESS, ATTORNEY TELEPHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS.)

Hearing Requested? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Granite City Community Unit School District No. 9

Intervenor Name

3200 Maryville Rd.

Intervenor Street Address

Intervenor Exact Address

Granite City IL 62040

Intervenor City State ZIP Code

618/451-5800

Intervenor Phone Number

Signature of Intervenor or Attorney

Thomas E. Schooley

Attorney Name

Law Offices of Thomas E. Schooley

Attorney Firm Name

P.O. Box 1289

Attorney Street Address

Granite City IL 62040

Attorney City State ZIP Code

618/877-2142

Attorney Phone

lowws@chortor.net

Attorney E-mail

DATED this 11 day of May 2021

PLEASE SUBMIT TO:

STATE OF ILLINOIS
PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD
ROOM 402 STRATTON OFFICE BUILDING
401 SOUTH SPRING STREET
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62706-4001
(217) 782-6076

PTAB20 (rev. 03/19)

26. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE PROPERTY TAX APEAL BOARD RESOLUTION TO INTERVENE FOR 1700 Walnut Street, Granite City Illinois 62040;**
Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran to approve the Property Tax Appeal Board Resolution To Intervene for 1700 Walnut Street, Granite City, Illinois.

Members voting –Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

RESOLUTION

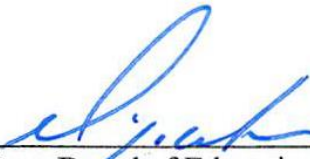
WHEREAS, Granite City Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, is a taxing body in Property Tax Appeal Board Docket No. 19-09519 an appeal by Amsted Rail Company, Inc. from a decision of the Board of Review of Madison County, Illinois and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is desirous of intervening in the above referenced appeal to the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, that the District intervene in Property Tax Appeal Board No. 19-09519, an appeal by Amsted Rail Company, Inc has filed an appeal from the decision of the Board of Review of Madison County, Illinois.

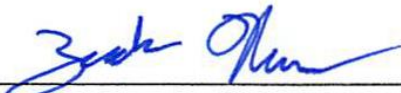
The District Administration and Thomas E. Schooley, Attorney for the District, P.O. Box 1289, Granite City, IL 62040, PH: 618/877-2142, Email: lowws@charter.net are hereby directed and authorized to file the necessary documents to file the attached Petition to Intervene.

PASSED BY THE board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9, Madison County, Illinois, this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2021.



President, Board of Education

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Education



Property Tax Appeal Board

Request to Intervene in Appeal Proceeding

NOW COMES Granite City Community School District No. 9 and applies to the State Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB) for leave to intervene in an appeal proceeding before the PTAB. The appeal concerns a decision of the Board of Review of Madison County pertaining to the property appraised by Amsted Rail Co., Inc. DBA: ASK-Keystone, Inc. and described as follows:

Property Index Number: 22-1-19-24-06-101-043 et al.

Address: 1700 Walnut Street

Granite City, IL 62040

The appeal is identified in the PTAB's records as Docket No. 19-09519

The Intervenor's interest in this appeal is as:

☐ The taxpayer or owner of the subject property.

☒ A taxing district which has a revenue interest in the subject property.
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Hearing Requested? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Granite City Community Unit School District No. 9

Intervenor Name

3200 Maryville Rd.

Intervenor Street Address

Intervenor Street Address

Granite City IL 62040

Intervenor City State ZIP Code

618/451-5800

Intervenor Phone Number

Signature of Intervenor or Attorney

Thomas E. Schooley

Attorney Name

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DATED this ____ day of _____, 2021

PLEASE SUBMIT TO:

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PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD
ROOM 402 STRATTON OFFICE BUILDING
401 SOUTH SPRING STREET
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62706-4001
(217) 782-6076

27. **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD GEORGE WEIS CO. THE BID TO REPAIR EIFS TO COOLIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL;** Motion by Member Nunn, seconded by Member Stacy upon recommendation of the administration to award George Weis Co. the bid to repair EIFS to Coolidge Middle School.

Supervisor of Facilities Management, Eric Smith, discussed water damage to Coolidge EIFS due to caulking failure over time. The bid includes \$32,157.00 to repair cracks, \$70, 669.00 to remove EIFS and replace with new Prebrowned Foam, and \$36,739.00 for paint, if we cannot provide paint and utilize our district painters. Due to time constraints, Supervisor Smith recommends approval of this bid upon completion of testing. George Weis Co. was the only bidder to attend the May 3rd mandatory pre-bid meeting. Photographs and information concerning this matter are available upon request.

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

28. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE POSTING RFP FOR BIDS FOR TUCK POINTING FOR GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy to approve posting RFP for bids for Tuck Pointing for Granite City High School.

Supervisor of Facilities Management, Eric Smith, discussed the need to tuck point the High School to seal the building due to weathering over time. Each wall will be bid separately. Each school will need tuck pointing in the future. Photographs and information are available upon request.

Members voting –Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

29. **RECOMMENDATION TO TABLE NIEDRINGHAUS ROOF REPAIRS INFORMATION AT THIS TIME;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Nunn to table the Niedringhaus Roof Repairs at this time.

Members voting –Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

30. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TERMINATION OF NIEDRINGHAUS LEASES DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS WITH THE BUILDING;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Curran to Approve Termination of Niedringhaus Leases due to Safety Concerns with the Building.

Superintendent Cann explained as Superintendent of the Granite City School District #9, she has a Fiscal Responsibility to the District in regards to Niedringhaus Building Maintenance and Potential Safety Issues.

Attorney Schooley explained the School District must follow all ordinances.

Members voting –McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Nunn, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

31. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT PLAN FOR FY 2021 FOR THE FOLLOWING GRANTS; TITLE I- PART A, TITLE II – PART A, TITLE IV-PART A, IDEA, PART-B FLOW-THROUGH, AND IDEA, PART-B PRESCHOOL;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Nunn to Approve the Consolidated District Plan for FY 2021.

Superintendent Cann explained approval of this plan is merely a procedural requirement and does not signal any change in the grants for which we apply or receive. The Approval of this Consolidated District Plan must precede the submission of the Federal ESSER II and ARP Grants. Member Knogl complimented the Education Group for their hard work in getting this Consolidated District Plan together in a timely manner.

Members voting –Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye” and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

32. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE UTILIZING TECHNOLOGY FOR THE BOARD MEETINGS;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Curran to Approve Utilizing Technology for the Board Meetings.

Member Knogl discussed going green by using Chromebooks or laptops for Board Meetings. She discussed how much paper is used to print information for Board Meetings. She credited Member Nunn for the idea. Brad Smith, Director of Technology said utilizing Chromebooks should not be an issue. We have Chromebooks available for Board Meetings. If approved, we will utilize Chromebooks for the May 25th Board Meeting.

Members voting –Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

33. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE MAXWELL FORBES FOR THE STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Knogl to Approve Maxwell Forbes for the Student School Board Member for the School Year 2021-22;

Member Nunn complimented all three candidates interviewed.

Members voting –Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”; Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

34. REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS;

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS (FOIA);

We received two requests under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of April 10, 2021 through May 7, 2021.

1. The first request was received on April 20, 2021 from Lana Turley, Field Service from the Illinois Federation of Teachers. She requested the following information:
 - Administrator's salary schedule for the following school terms: 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022.
2. The second request was received on April 23, 2021 from Carrie Toth, teacher at Grigsby Intermediate School. She requested the following information:
 - The Maintenance records for 2019 for Grigsby Intermediate School.

The requests were handled by Administration.

ACTIONS OF REGION 1 BOARD:

The administration is requesting ratification of the actions of the Region I Board on May 5, 2021.

I. REGARDING FY 22 DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

The Region I Board approved sending the Special Education Administrators and Finance Secretary to the ISBE FY22 Director's Conference. Date TBD pending ISBE notification. All costs will be paid using IDEA funds and billed to member districts.

II. JOINT AGREEMENT 2021-22 BUDGET, RESOLUTION AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICE IN THE NEWSPAPER

The Region I Board approved placing an advertisement in the local newspaper for the Resolution Related to the Preparation and Publication Notice of Public Hearing for the Region I 2021-2022 budget.

III. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES FY22

The Region I Board approved the Granite City School District to adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Investment of Region I Funds Designating Depositories for the FY22 School Year.

It is recommended the Board ratify the actions of the Region I Board in regards to Items I-III.

RECOMMENDATION TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE REGION I BOARD IN REGARDS TO ITEMS I-III. Motion by Member Knogl, seconded by Member McMasters to Ratify The Actions OF THE REGION I BOARD IN REGARDS TO ITEMS I-III.

Members voting –Nunn, “aye”, McMasters, “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, Knogl, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, and Wilmsmeyer, “aye”, motion carried.

REVIEW THE MARCH 2021 ACTIVITY ACCOUNT REPORT

MARCH 2021 Activity Account	Beg Bal of Month	Receipts	Disbursements	End Bal of Month
BOARD OFFICE				
MAURICE MINKS	-\$8,072.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$8,072.76
FLOWER FUND	\$965.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$965.32
MARY K ROWDEN	\$6,433.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,433.21
M. WORTHEN DARE	\$224.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$224.12
RISING/CHALLENGE	\$833.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$833.13
BANKING ACCOUNT FEES	\$261.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$261.41
SATELITE LIBRARY	\$3,153.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,153.00
ELIZABETH EDWARDS	\$21,187.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,187.55
H S LIGHTING	\$15,331.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,331.52
HAGNAUER WRESTL	\$3,573.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,573.00
DILLARD SCHOLARSHIP	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.00
AUDITORIUM FUND	\$17,909.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,909.30
MARY E. BLACKBURN	-\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$10,000.00
CALLIS SCHOLARSHIP	-\$4,635.57	\$7.60	\$0.00	-\$4,627.97
ROBERT K. GRIFFIN SCHOLARSHIP	\$3,084.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,084.19
LOCAL 98	\$18,911.51	\$3,586.38	\$5,846.89	\$16,651.00
TOTAL - BOARD OFFICE	\$69,163.93	\$3,593.98	\$5,846.89	\$66,911.02

MEMORIAL FUND/BO

Bank of Edw-Edwards	\$22,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,000.00
Bank of Edw-Griffin Scholarship	\$80,539.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80,539.37
Bank of Edw-Blackburn	\$20,730.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,730.11
Bank of Edw-Callis	\$99,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$99,000.00
Bank of Edw-Minks	\$40,807.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,807.81
TOTAL - COD's BOARD OFFICE	\$263,077.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$263,077.29

COOLIDGE JR HIGH SCHOOL

Varsity Club	\$542.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$542.92
W.F. Coolidge	\$27,906.98	\$227.71	\$1,928.22	\$26,206.47
Social & Flowers	\$60.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.48
Student Council	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Band	\$236.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$236.10
Cheerleading	\$4,978.50	\$587.00	\$672.00	\$4,893.50
Yearbook	\$0.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.37
TOTAL - COOLIDGE	\$33,725.35	\$814.71	\$2,600.22	\$31,939.84

**GRIGSBY INTERMEDIATE
SCHOOL**

Grigsby	\$10,933.64	\$558.00	\$264.18	\$11,227.46
Flower Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Athletic Revolve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Student Council	\$1,669.65	\$0.00	\$515.00	\$1,154.65
Band	\$10,619.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,619.40
Cheerleading	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Yearbook	\$44.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$44.28
Group 5-1	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Group 5-2	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$650.00
Group 5-3	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Group 6-1	\$49.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49.17
Group 6-2	\$257.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$257.79
Group 6-3	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
TOTAL - GRIGSBY	\$25,823.93	\$558.00	\$779.18	\$25,602.75

FROHARDT ELEMENTARY

Activity	\$9,509.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,509.53
Welfare	\$687.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$687.49
Pepsi	\$388.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$388.43
Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL - FROHARDT	\$10,585.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,585.45

MARVILLE ELEMENTARY

Activity Fund	\$1,521.68	\$0.00	\$338.49	\$1,183.19
Flower/Gift	\$665.08	\$32.73	\$96.00	\$601.81
Soda Fund	\$26.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26.98
Prin. Promo Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Raising Account	\$409.77	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$409.77
TOTAL - MARYVILLE	\$2,623.51	\$32.73	\$434.49	\$2,221.75

MITCHELL ELEMENTARY

Activity	\$9,629.92	\$0.00	\$150.95	\$9,478.97
Flower/Gift	\$1,796.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,796.07
5th Grade Fund	\$420.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$420.65
Soda	\$1,884.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,884.90
Love/Kindness	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Prin. Promo Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL - MITCHELL	\$13,731.54	\$0.00	\$150.95	\$13,580.59

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

	\$5,357.59	\$0.00	\$1,344.00	\$4,013.59
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TOTAL - EARLY CHILDHOOD	\$5,357.59	\$0.00	\$1,344.00	\$4,013.59
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PRATHER ELEMENTARY - REVISED

Activity Fund	\$2,474.61	\$385.10	\$257.58	\$2,602.13
CHEER Fund	\$1,108.23	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$1,058.23
RIF Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Care/Share Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Lynn McClain	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fight Free	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL - PRATHER	\$3,582.84	\$385.10	\$307.58	\$3,660.36

WILSON ELEMENTARY

Outdoor Classroom	\$752.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$752.59
Activity Fund	\$13,364.66	\$0.00	\$93.73	\$13,270.93
Adopt-A-School	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Flower/Gift	\$60.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.50
Prin. Promo. A/C	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL - WILSON	\$14,177.75	\$0.00	\$93.73	\$14,084.02

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT;

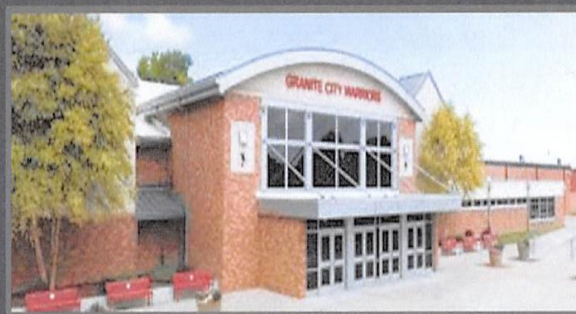
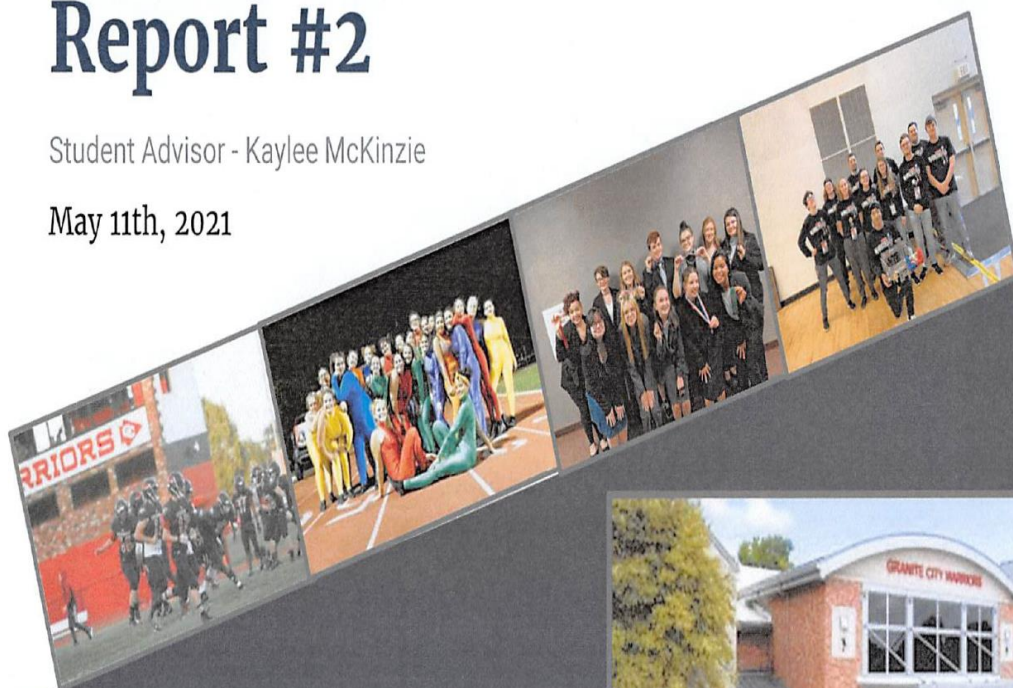
**STUDENT BOARD MEMBER KAYLEE MCKENZIE PRESENTED A FOLLOW UP
REPORT FROM THE FEBRUARY 23, 2021 SURVEY DISTRIBUTED TO HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS. THIS WILL BE HER FINAL REPORT.**

All Board Members complimented Kaylee on a job well done throughout the year.

GCSD9 High School Report #2

Student Advisor - Kaylee McKinzie

May 11th, 2021



*Sent out by Mr. Depew on mass email and
Mr. Mitchell on Skyward.

February 23rd, 2021

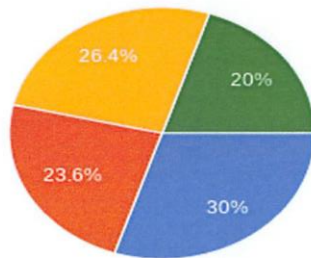
1st Student Report: 169 Responses

May 11th, 2021

2nd Student Report: 180
Responses

Question 1

“What grade are you in?”



- Freshman (Class of 2024)
- Sophomore (Class of 2023)
- Junior (Class of 2022)
- Senior (Class of 2021)

Question 2

**"ALL STUDENTS: What are your thoughts on Quarter 4's schedule?
Pros and Cons?"**

I believe this schedule is better than switching off because a lot of lessons take more than one day and it's easier to retain the information given when you're given multiple days to work on it in a row.

It works for me. Allows me to concentrate and get more done.

Despite it being more consistent, I think I prefer the first semester's online schedule in general terms. It felt a bit easier to navigate and I felt like I was getting a bit more out of the classes I had. Everything feels spread out more this time, and the extra time we have in places doesn't feel like it's being used as much to its full potential unlike the prior semester.

I love this schedule, you get home from school early and school doesn't start too early.
There is plenty of time for extracurriculars and hanging out after school.

Question 2 (Continued)

With the Quarter 4's schedule, I believe we students had a lot more freetime for extracurricular activities, part-time jobs, and just for relaxation in general, but because we only have every class twice a week, it is hard to interact the teachers all that much unless you are involved in extracurricular activities. Plus, it's hard to retain information for a test that is upcoming in each individual class because of the lack of meetings. However I rather have that disadvantage than mentally impairing students and stressing them with countless work. I prefer this schedule more than the 2021-2022, but my opinion may change once experiencing the new schedule.

With the schedule, I'm not able to drive my siblings to school. They either have to wait somewhere before their school starts class, or we have to arrange another ride for them. Having schools at different start schedules is extremely hard for families, and it's been an exhausting process. I've been told these times have changed due to decrease in bus drivers, but there needs to be a solution here. It's a rough time.

The one-way hallways aren't successful, and I don't know one person that feels differently. Students come down the opposite way anyway, stairways are more crowded than ever, and it makes students late.

Question 3

"FRESHMANS-JUNIORS ONLY: The high school's tentative schedule for the 2021-2022 school year will be '7:30am - 2:40pm' and involves ALL hours. What are your concerns about this schedule? What are its benefits?"

I think starting this early will cause many students to be late or just not show up to school. Also, kids already don't know how to drive well, having them drive at the crack of dawn, possibly rushing to school because they're running late, could be a safety hazard. This year, as I drove to school I noticed many people not following the proper "rules of the road" especially at the stop signs and almost caused me an accident. Also, I guess the biggest question here is lunch, many kids will have their masks off and yes we are able to sit outside, but what happens when it's cold? How are they going to divide the hours?

Great getting out earlier for sports - practices and games

Remote still needs to be an option.

Early bird gym is going to be even early than it was before covid. (Some kids have to do this to cover gym credits. Will there be a different option to cover these credits?)

Question 4

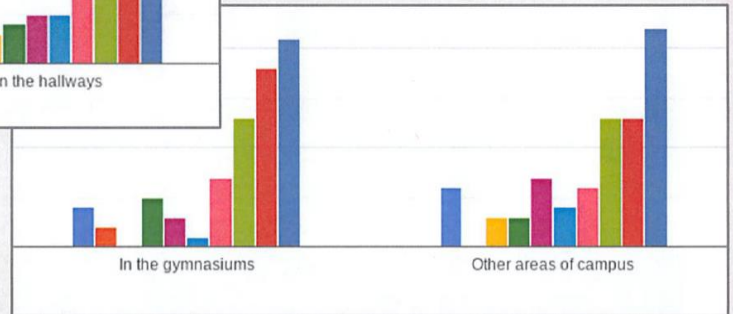
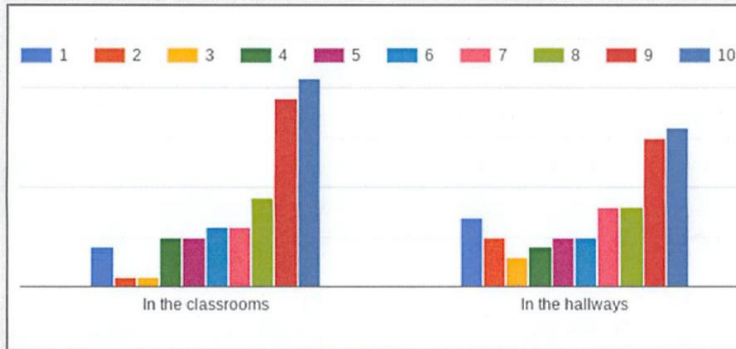
“FRESHMANS-JUNIORS ONLY: Do you have any ideas for events that maintains social distancing and mask usage? (If COVID-19 guidelines would be continued in the coming school year.)”

The pep rally is one of our schools biggest events and quite frankly the one I get most excited for because everyone is able to attend no matter what clubs they are in and getting out of class early is pretty good too. 😊 Anyways, my brother is a freshman and I was so excited for him to get to experience it and sadly that was taken away due to COVID this year. I believe we could have easily taken the pep rally outside and still had just as fun.

I would like to at least have a Welcome Back Rally and Homecoming that follows COVID guidelines - even if they are not traditionally the same. Let's try outdoor activities on our football field, soccer field, yards, and areas that aren't ever used. This is our opportunity to use them.

Question 5

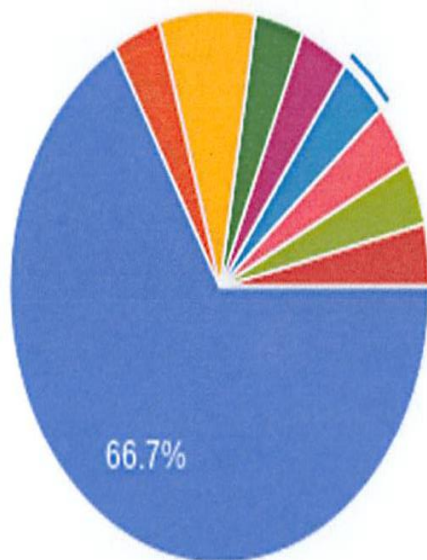
IN-PERSON STUDENTS ONLY: On a scale of 1-10, how **SAFE** do you feel in the high school in the prevention of COVID-19? (10 being the **MOST SAFE**.)



Question 6

SENIORS ONLY: Will you be attending and participating in the high school events taking place over the next month? (i.e. Prom, Senior Sendoffs, Activity Banquets, Awards Ceremonies, Graduation, etc.)

(39 Responses, 36 of them actually being Seniors.)



- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- I am not sure
- ~~N/A~~
- ~~It seems that none of my friends want to attend any events since we've already...~~
- ~~Not a senior~~
- ~~I am not a senior.~~
- ~~I will be attending, but as long as the...~~

Question 7

“SENIORS ONLY: What do you think about the ceremonial plans for graduation?”

I'm honestly just concerned about the start time at 7:30pm, because isn't that practically dark then?

I understand why we can't bring more than two family members because I would rather have all seniors on the field but I wish there could be more. Also, will there be a clear livestream? I want my family to see me walk across the stage and not a silhouette. I like the angles and shots they had last year for graduation.

I'm glad we're getting a ceremony to begin with. I'm not picky because I understand the circumstances we're facing, more than anything I'm grateful we got this opportunity.

I love the plans, they are well thought out in case of any rain.

Question 8

“List below any other concerns, questions, comments that you would like the Granite City School District Board to discuss:”

more hands on activities such as labs and projects. group work as well (when possible)

I would just like to say that I know you are doing your jobs, and I appreciate all the concerns. Clearly what you're doing IS working, but there are many alternatives that could've been thought of this year that just weren't given a chance and I believe the students' happiness is just as important as their safety. A lot of us lost motivation during the school year and this caused many to fall behind, happiness is the key to success. Even if you can't think of an alternative, give the students a chance to. You could send a ballot just like this and I'm sure we could've came up with a solution together.

Breaking up hallway times, as in dismissing certain classes at one time, and the other half a few minutes later, would have helped decrease transmission between students due to distancing. If COVID guidelines continue until the fall, weekly testing for students and staff, especially those in sports, would help decrease transmission.

Question 8 (Continued)

So much work has been put on us this year and we are criticized every day for not memorizing or understanding the material we discussed five whole days ago. Mental health is declining. Teachers have to cover topics as a part of the curriculum, but it is stressing kids out too much. This is the first time I've ever had a D or even a C. Students need to have a quality high school education and experience, and I hope next year we can change that.

There are too many kids here to social distance. Too many students will end up being out on quarantine throughout the year. We should still have remote learning as an option and to decrease the amount of students in the building.

Putting pressure on teachers to have grades in at a certain time and covering so many topics is not only stressing teachers out but also students. Work has been piling up while we have to again remember what we are covering, so we ask teachers for extensions or exceptions - but they aren't able to because of these pressures. Something needs to be done.

honestly I think what you guys are doing for the 2021-2022 classes are good

Question 8 (Continued)

If COVID is still a problem next summer, what is the plan for the classroom capacity and social distancing dilemma?

Instagram hate pages from granite and some social issues on them like racism and sexism

I only ever knew why the start time was so early this year from a friend of a friend and it was because of bus drivers. There needs to be more communication on why decisions are taking place. Is this again the reason why we are starting early next year?

There are too many students here to maintain safety and social distancing. I see students already taking their masks off in the hallway. I think remote learning should be kept as an option or we will have too many students having to quarantine back and forth which will be more frustrating to students and parents.



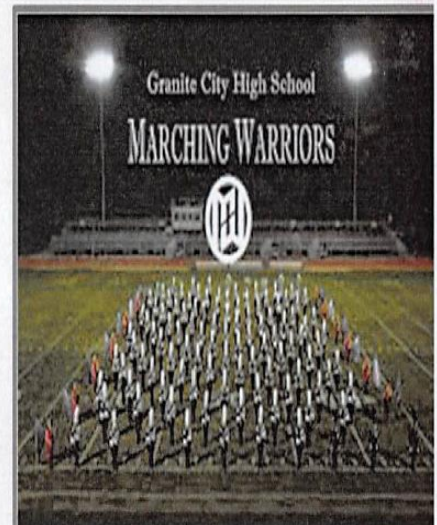
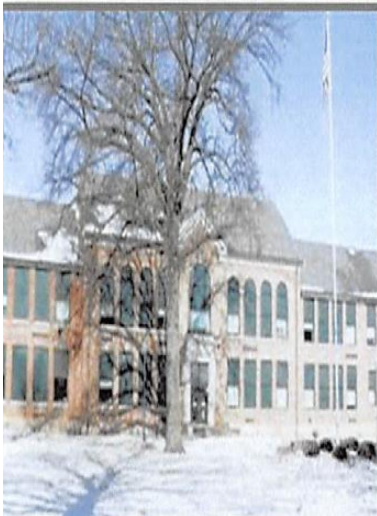
Conclusion



Huge "Thank You" to the students that took the survey!

Possibly arrange an address that answers a lot of the ideas and questions from this report, and send it out district-wide (and via social media.)

We found that there were successful solutions implemented for students since the previous survey, but there is more to work on. As we find out if COVID-19 will still be a problem next year, the Board will work on solutions that meet the demand of the student body, families, and staff of Granite City.



Everyone was very pleased with Kaylee's report and thanked her for sharing the survey.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Motion by Member Cook Sedabres, seconded by Member Knogl, to go into executive session for the exceptions noted under 5 ILCS 120/2 Open Meetings:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; 2(c)(1)
- Student disciplinary matters; 2(c)(9)
- The purchase or lease of real property for use by the public body; or setting a price thereof; 2(c)(5)(6)
- Collective bargaining matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; 2(c)(2)
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed...is probable or imminent. 2(c)(11)
- To discuss school building safety and security and security procedures. 2(c)(8); and
- Student Safety 2(c)(8)

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

SETTING OF THE AGENDA; The next Regular Board Meeting will be Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Wilmsmeyer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:52. Members voting – all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

Dennis Wilmsmeyer, President
Board of Education
Granite City Community School District #9

Zack Nunn, Secretary
Board of Education
Granite City Community School District #9