

**GAINESVILLE R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
DECEMBER 14, 2020
CENTRAL OFFICE**

PRESENT: Marti Warden, President; Jabet Wade, Vice-President; Robby Walrath, Member; Heather Bushner, Member; Mason Eslinger, Member; Corey Hillhouse, Member

ABSENT: Jerry Kiger, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Trevor Hicks, Ericka Armstrong, Erin Swofford

The meeting was called to order by President Marti Warden at 6:01 p.m. with six members present.

CONSENT ITEMS

The board approved the following items by consent: Agenda, November 17, 2020, Open Session Minutes, November Bills, Addition to Substitute list, and 2020-2021 Insurance Renewal (MUSIC), Motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Robby Walrath to approve consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Superintendent Justin Gilmore and the board reviewed the financial report. Mr. Gilmore stated he believed we were on track for projected budgeted revenue for the 2020-21 school year. Building Reports were included for board review.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON OPEN AGENDA ITEMS

As per Missouri Sunshine law: only items listed and noticed up on the agenda can be discussed by the public.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

➤ **Internet/Phone Reimbursement**

Mr. Gilmore recommended the board approve a phone/data usage reimbursement to all staff due to the increased usage of personal phones/internet during to the virtual days. A motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Heather Bushner to approve phone/data reimbursement as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **Blended Learning Calendar**

Mr. Gilmore presented the board with the second semester Blended Learning Calendar, along with dates students would need to be enrolled in virtual or in-person learning. The decision to go virtual will remain a semester long decision. The calendar also included two make-up days for the two missed due to city water issues. Those days will be made up on January 18th and February 15th. A motion was made by Corey Hillhouse, seconded by Jabet Wade to approve Blended Learning Calendar through May 14th, 2021 as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **FEMA Design**

Mr. Gilmore presented the board with a final design for the FEMA shelter. A motion was made by Jabet Wade, seconded by Mason Eslinger to approve the final design as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **Property Next to the School**

Mr. Gilmore presented the board with an opportunity to purchase property next to the Preschool building. Mr. Gilmore recommended looking into purchasing the property at a reasonable price. Mr. Gilmore will update the board with more information when it becomes available.

➤ **CSIP**

Mr. Gilmore presented the board with an updated Comprehensive School Improvement Plan for the district. A motion was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Corey Hillhouse to approve the updated CSIP plan as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **USDA Application/CFO Application/ WRVEC RLF**

Mr. Gilmore discussed some USDA funding opportunities and applications that will be submitted to USDA, CFO, and WRVEC. A motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Heather Bushner to approve application submission. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **John T. Belcher Scholarship Nomination**

A motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Corey Hillhouse to nominate Erin McKinzie for the scholarship. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **KPM 19-20 Audit**

Mr. Gilmore introduced Jessica Stokes to go over the 19-20 Audit. A motion was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Jabet Wade to approve the 2019-20 Audit as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSES LISTED IN SECTION 610.021

A **motion** was made by Jabet Wade, seconded by Robby Walrath, to convene executive session for purposes listed in section RSMo 610.021, (3), (12) & (13) Personnel. Roll Call Vote: Walrath, yes; Bushner, yes; Eslinger, yes; Wade, yes; Warden, yes; and Hillhouse-yes. 6:35 p.m.

Exit Executive Session 7:35 p.m.

BOARD ACTIONS

A **motion** was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Corey Hillhouse, to hire Carla Taylor as a substitute bus driver (Step 14, 6-month contract) for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

A **motion** was made by Robby Walrath, seconded by Jabet Wade, to accept Vickie Oxley's retirement from her Paraprofessional Elementary position at the end of the 2020-21 school year. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

ADJOURNMENT

A **motion** was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Mason Eslinger to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Vote: Walrath-yes, Bushner-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Warden-yes; and Hillhouse-yes. 8:07 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education