

**GAINESVILLE R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
DECEMBER 17, 2018
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

PRESENT: Corey Hillhouse, President; Jerry Kiger, Member; Robby Walrath, Member; Heather Bushner, Member; Mason Eslinger, Member; Jabet Wade, Member

ABSENT: Marti Warden

OTHERS PRESENT: Justin Gilmore, Ericka Armstrong and Jason Morris

The meeting was called to order by President Corey Hillhouse at 6:00 p.m. with six members present.

CONSENT ITEMS

The board approved the following items by consent: Agenda, November 12, 2018, and December 10, 2018, Open Session Minutes, November Bills, Addition to Substitute list, Adult Lunch Price increase to \$3.00 (effective January 3, 2019), January board meeting date change (tentative January 15, 2019), and Insurance Renewal (MUSIC). Motion was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Jerry Kiger to approve consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Superintendent Jeff Hyatt and the board reviewed the financial report, Wellness (ADF) and Safety (EB) Policies. Dr. Hyatt advised the board of committee formations for both. Building Reports were included in the packets 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.

Joe Corbin requested to read a letter he wrote to the school. Dr. Hyatt and Corey Hillhouse made an exception and allowed him to speak during the meeting.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

➤ **FY 2018 Audit**

Dr. Hyatt reviewed the annual audit with the board. The auditor's report expressed an unmodified opinion, no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses, and no instances of noncompliance of the financial statements. No audit findings were reported. Motion was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Jabet Wade to approve the FY 2018 Audit Report as presented. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **John T. Belcher Scholarship Nomination**

A motion was made by Jerry Kiger, seconded by Mason Eslinger to nominate Eli Amyx. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

➤ **Policy Revisions GCBDA & GDBDA – 1st reading**

Dr. Hyatt presented the board with new versions of both policies as a first reading. Second reading will be held during the January board meeting.

➤ **Building Upgrades and Renovations**

Dr. Hyatt reviewed with the board three new versions of ballot language for a tax levy. Floor plans with classroom relocations for the Band, Learning Lab and District Offices were also presented. A motion was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Mason Eslinger to approve the relocation and renovations of the Band and Learning Lab with an estimated cost of \$45,000, and District Offices with an estimated cost of \$5,000 to be started in March or April of 2019.

➤ **Four Day School Week / Faculty & Staff Survey – Community Survey**

Dr. Hyatt reviewed with the board the results of both surveys taken. Board members requested more information before making a decision to go to a four-day calendar. The Four Day School Week will be revisited at a late date.

➤ **Pre-K Program**

Dr. Hyatt recommended the board approve starting the bidding process of a mobile building for the Pre-K program. A motion was made by Jabet Wade, seconded by Mason Eslinger to start the bidding process. Vote taken, motion carried 6-0

CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSES LISTED IN SECTION 610.021

A **motion** was made by Jerry Kiger, seconded by Robby Walrath, to convene executive session for purposes listed in section RSMo 610.021, (3), (12) & (13) Personnel. Roll Call Vote: Kiger, yes; Walrath, yes; Bushner, yes; Eslinger, yes; Wade, yes; and Hillhouse-yes. 7:37 p.m.

Exit Executive Session 8:24 p.m.

BOARD ACTIONS

A **motion** was made by Robby Walrath, seconded by Jerry Kiger, to accept the resignations of Dennis Highfill and Mindy Peirce effective December 21, 2018. Vote taken: Kiger-yes; Walrath-yes; Bushner-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Hillhouse-yes.

A **motion** was made by Heather Bushner, seconded by Mason Eslinger to accept the retirement of Vicki Smith at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Vote taken: Kiger-yes; Walrath-yes; Bushner-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Hillhouse-yes.

A **motion** was made by Jerry Kiger, seconded by Jabet Wade to hire Shelley Lebetter (\$17,040) and Paula Rose (\$21,100) as teachers for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

Vote taken: Kiger-yes; Walrath-yes; Bushner-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Hillhouse-yes.

ADJOURNMENT

A **motion** was made by Jerry Kiger, seconded by Robby Walrath to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Vote: Kiger-yes, Walrath-yes, Bushner-yes; Eslinger yes; Wade yes; Hillhouse, yes. 8:26 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education