

**THE W. L. GILBERT SCHOOL CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024
THE GILBERT SCHOOL
6:30 PM
Library
MINUTES**

A portion of this meeting may be held in executive session

1. Opening of Meeting

Chair Holly Cassaday calls the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

In attendance is Scott Beecher, Jared Fritch, Theresa Padin, Greg P. Shugrue (Head of School), Holly Cassaday, Ellen Marino, Shane Centrella, Jonathan Morhardt, Renata Waldron

A. Pledge of Allegiance - Jonathan Morhardt

B. Vision and Mission Statement - Jonathan Morhardt

2. Public Forum

A. General Public

None

3. Call for Agenda Items

Motion by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Ellen Marino and unanimously approved to add "Committee Assignments" under item 7 (see 7c).

Motion by Holly Cassaday, seconded by Jared Fritch and unanimously approved to move item 11 to immediately follow item 7c.

4. Introduction of New Staff

A. Thomas Lutka, CTE Teacher

B. Scott MacDonald, HS English/Language Arts Teacher

C. Madeline Ziegler, English Teacher

5. Employee Recognition

A. Theresa Funk

*Short Intermission For Refreshments

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Scott Beecher to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2024, Regular Meeting, seconded by Ellen Marino and unanimously approved.

7. Resignation of School Corp Member

Motion to accept the resignation of Astrid Robitaille made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Jared Fritch and unanimously approved by the board.

Motion to accept the resignation of Theresa Padin as a WPS representative on the Gilbert School Corporation made by Scott Beecher, seconded by Ellen Marino and unanimously approved.

- B. Theresa Padin nominated and sworn-in to the Gilbert School Corp as a Trustee.
- C. Committee Assignments (Holly Cassaday)

8. Committee Reports

- A. Finance – Motion to approve line item transfers.

A motion is made by Ellen Marino to approve, as recommended and presented, line-item transfers. Motion is seconded by Scott Beecher and unanimously approved.

Next Meeting – October 16, 2024

- B. Policy – Minutes available in packet

Next Meeting October 3, 2024

- C. Building & Grounds – Hot water off on 2nd Floor, Solar Project underway, Front doors arriving soon.

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- D. Personnel – GEA agreement

9. Security Update

On-going conversation with Town Manager. MOU in the works. BOS will need to approve.

10. First Reading of Policies

- A. #5131.911 – School Climate (Formerly Hazing/Bullying)
- B. #5145.44 – Title IX

11. Principal's Report (*item moved up on agenda to follow 7c)

- A. School opening update – Gregg reports on behalf of Deb
- B. Learning Data
- C. Mental Health Update – presentation provided by school counselors/social workers

12. Head of School Report

- A. Gregg Shugrue reports on
 - 1. Enrollment
 - 2. Attendance
 - 3. Food service
 - 4. Increasing Diversity Plan

Motion to approve the education diversity plan made by Scott Beecher, seconded by Theresa Padin and unanimously approved.

- 5. School Climate Plan Updated

13. Board of Education Report

Shane Centrella presents. New Superintendent, Judy Luby, has been hired and will begin September 23rd.

14. School Corporation Chairman's Report

Holly Cassaday presents.

"Backpack Program" donations accepted in guidance department.

15. Executive Session

Motion to adjourn at 8:10PM to Executive Session by Theresa Padin, seconded by Scott Beecher and unanimously approved.

Motion to approve a teacher request for 20 additional sick days to be taken after all sick time has been exhausted per article 6B of the GEA contract, due to extenuating circumstances made by Holly Cassaday. Seconded by Ellen Marino and unanimously approved.

16. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:45PM by Scott Beecher, seconded by Jonathan Morhardt and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Lauren Jones Dombrowski