MEMBERS PRESENT:	BECKY BRADLEY, TALLIN CURRAN, LINDA KNOGL, DON LIENEMANN, LORI SILVA, ERIC STACY, AND ERICA VENNE.
EMPLOYEES PRESENT:	DR. DON HARRIS, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, DENISE ALBRECHT, JODY BATSON, STEPHANIE BOYER, GENIE BRATTEN, LISA COCKRUM, PATRICK CURRY, BRAD ERVAY, CORY ERVAY, DR. ADAM GARRETT, DR. DAVID KEEL, JULIE MATARELLI, STEVE MATHES, TIM MCCHRISTIAN, CHRIS MCCULLOUGH, CHRIS MITCHELL, TIM MORAN, DR. LIZ NIEPERT, KRISTEN NOVACICH-KOBERNA, NIKKI PETRILLO, JILL RELLEKE, TOM SCHOOLEY, BRAD SMITH, ERIC SMITH, ZACK SUHRE, MICKI WATKINS, AND ANN WILSON.
STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER:	LILYROSE COCKRUM
OTHERS PRESENT:	OFFICER FICKER #253, KARMA PELLAZARI, NIKKI PELLAZARI, AND PASTOR STACEY WILSON.

This was an open and virtual meeting that took place using the Zoom application. There was a total of twenty-seven (27) Employees, four (4) Guests, one (1) Student Advisory Board Member, and seven (7) Board Members, physically present.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION;

1. **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**; The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President, Tallin Curran. Roll was called. Seven {7} members were present and a quorum was declared. President Tallin Curran 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. Pastor Stacey Wilson with GCFirst Assembly of God asked for a moment of silence in honor of a GCSD9 staff member whose husband passed away, she then offered the invocation.

   NOTE**:** Dr. Harris thanked the GCHS Dance team for their school spirit and support. They cheered on every runner at the beginning and finishing line at the cross country meet on Saturday that included 48 teams.

2. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOE MEETING**; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education held on Tuesday, **August 27, 2024**.

   Members voting - Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", and Venne "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**; (1-4) Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as follows:

Treasurer's Reports;
Treasurer's Report from July 2024;
{available upon request}

Treasurer's Report from June 2024; revision
{available upon request}

Bill List

Bill List from August 22, 2024 – September 4, 2024;
{available upon request}

Gifts
The BOE and Administration accepted the following gifts with thanks and appreciation;

Nameoki United Methodist Church; The Women's group from Nameoki United Methodist donated school supplies and new clothing items to Mitchell Elementary Education Center.

City Temple; Pastor Hart and his congregation generously donate pencils every year to GCSD9 and this year they donated over 8000 pencils to be distributed throughout the district.

Members voting - Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", and Bradley, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

4. **RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**; (5) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of administration, to accept the following retirements and resignations:

Name	Position	Reason	Effective
Amanda Smith	Paraprofessional/Prather	Resignation	09/06/2024

Members voting - Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", and Silva, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

5. **REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE**; (5) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Stacy, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following requests for leaves of absence:

Name	Position	Reason	Effective
Mary Astorian	Cafe/GCHS	FMLA	08/19/2024 - 11/11/2024
Vicki Branding	Cafe/Grigsby	FMLA	08/13/2024 - 10/01/2024
Penny Tingley	Paraprofessional/GCHS	FMLA	08/27/2024 - 11/19/2024
David Wright	Custodian/GCHS	FMLA	08/19/2024 - 10/14/2024
Richard Wylde	Custodian/Wilson	FMLA	08/26/2024 - 10/21/2024

Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", and Curran, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

6. **EXTRACURRICULAR RESIGNATIONS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**; (6) Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, to accept the following extracurricular resignations for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Position
Rodney Bond	GCHS Asst Boys Basketball Coach
Kim Boyd	Prather Young Authors Sponsor
Loretta Cox	GCHS Asst Girls Basketball Coach

Members voting - Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", and Stacy, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

7. **EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**; (7) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular assignments for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Position
Katie Nappier	Prather Young Authors Sponsor

Members voting - Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Lienemann, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

8. **RECOMMENDATION FOR EMPLOYEE TERMINATION**; (8) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the termination of GCSD9 Custodian **Austin Pellazari** effective 09.10.2024.

Members voting - Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", and Venne "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

9. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES**; (9) Motion by Member Stacy , seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following certified and classified substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year, pending the submission of the required paperwork:

   Certified;
   Rebecca Kriegel

   Classified;
   Elyssa Joaquin
   Kristen Kleier

   Members voting - Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", and Bradley, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

10. **POLICIES**; (10) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following policies recommended by the Policy Committee:

2:260	Uniform Grievance Procedure
2:265	Title IX Grievance Procedure
5:100	Staff Development Program
7:20	Harassment of Students Prohibited
7:185	Teen Dating Violence Prohibited
2:265-AP1	Title IX Response
2:265-AP2	Formal Title IX Complaint Grievance Process
2:265-AP3	Title IX Coordinator
7:10-AP1	Accommodating Transgender, Nonbinary, or Gender Nonconforming Students
7:10-AP2	Accommodating Breast-Feeding Students
7:20-AP	Harassment of Students Prohibited
2:265-E	Title IX Glossary of Terms

   Members voting - Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", and Silva, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

11. **WHITEBOARD PURCHASE WITH ESSER FUNDING** (11) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of administration, to authorize Administrations request to purchase 50 additional Newline Interactive Whiteboards with ESSER funding. Price includes: Newline 750Q 75" Interactive Whiteboard, 7 year replacement warranty, and shipping. We are recommending the purchase through Trafera to be the same specs and same devices as the previous order. Trafera is honoring the price from before. These boards will be used to fill additional locations and to add some devices on movable carts to buildings. Cost of each board is $1950 @ 50 boards for a total of **$97,500**.

    Members voting - Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", and Curran, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

12. **GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER NETTING;** (12) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of administration, to authorize Administrations request for Midwest Netting Solutions to install 25' x 100' foot nets behind the soccer field goals. The total project will be **$61,205.33** for Eight (8) barrier poles. They will be 33' long x 6" inches in diameter Black weather treated heavy duty steel poles that will be secured in the ground 8 feet deep.

    Members voting - Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", Bradley, Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", and Stacy, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

13. **AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM;** (13) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of administration, to authorize Administrations request to offer an after-school tutoring program for a select number of students in first and second grades. The program will allow 25 students from Maryville and 25 students from Wilson to receive additional help with reading. Each building will have a coordinator and 5 to 6 teachers working with students in small groups. The program will begin on September 23, 2024 and will end on October 30, 2024. Transportation will be provided.

    Members voting - Venne "aye", Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", and Lienemann, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

14. **GRANITE CITY SABRE COMMITTEE SCHOOL DANCES;** (14) Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of administration, to approve the renewal of the agreement with the Granite City SABRE Committee to use the Grigsby Intermediate School gymnasium for the SABRE School Dances and to circulate flyers prior to the dance. Proof of insurance will also be provided prior to the first dance. The requested dates for the 2024-2025 School Year are:

Dance #1	Friday, October 25, 2024
Dance #2	Friday, January 17, 2025
Make-Up Date	**Friday, February 21, 2025** *{make-up date if January is canceled}*
Dance #3	Friday, March 28, 2025

Members voting - Bradley, "aye", Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", and Venne "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** – Knogl

15. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**; the following reports were given.

✓ **Freedom of Information Act {FOIA} Requests**; (34)
{for review only, no vote}

We received four {4} requests under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of August 21, 2024 through September 3, 2024.

The first request was received on August 22, 2024 from Owen Wang of the Lake County Gazette. He requested the following information:

- List of all new teachers and staff with the following data points for the upcoming school year in your school district:
  - Name
  - School Name
  - Title
  - Bio
  - Photo
- List of all leaving or retiring teachers and staff with the following data points for the upcoming school year in your school district:
  - Name
  - School Name
  - Title
  - Years of Service

The second request was received on August 27, 2024 from Owen Wang of the Lake County Gazette. He requested the following information:

- List of all available school student activities and clubs for the new school year, as well as their faculty sponsor name.

The third request was received on August 29, 2024 from Owen Wang of the Lake County Gazette. He requested the following information:

- Copy of each school's calendar for the upcoming school year.

The fourth request was received on August 30, 2024 from Owen Wang of the Lake County Gazette. He requested the following information:

- The official enrollment for each school, as reported to the state, for the new school year.

The requests were handled by Administration.

16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES;** Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Silva, to approve the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education held on **August 27, 2024.**

    Members voting - Silva, "aye", Curran, "aye", Stacy, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne "aye", and Bradley, "aye", motion carried. **Members absent** - Knogl

17. **SETTING OF THE AGENDA**; The next Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Board of Education Offices located at 3200 Maryville Road, Granite City, Illinois 62040-5144. The meeting will be held in the New Board Room. (old Professional Development Center {PDC}/Gymnasium)

18. **ADJOURNMENT**; Motion by Member Stacy, seconded by Member Silva, to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 pm.

    Members voting - all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

Tallin P. Curran, President
Board of Education
Community Unit School District #9

Erica L. Venne, Secretary
Board of Education
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