



MEMBERS PRESENT: Becky Bradley, Tallin Curran, Linda Knogl, Don Lienemann, and Erica Venne.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lori Silva and Eric Stacy.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Dr. Don Harris, Superintendent of Schools, Jody Batson, Stephanie Boyer, Genie Bratten, Lisa Cockrum, Sarah Corzine, Allison Downing, Brad Ervay, Cory Ervay, Jessica Farris, Dr. Adam Garrett, Wendy Gunter, Tiffany Kahn, Dr. David Keel, Kay Lanfersieck, Steve Mathes, Tim McChristian, Chris McCullough, Chris Mitchell, Tim Moran, Dr. Liz Niepert, Tracy Noud, Jill Relleke, Tom Schooley, Brad Smith, Eric Smith, Zack Suhre, Stacy Swingler, Stacey Unfried, Micki Watkins, Ann Wilson, and Mary Wright.

STUDENT ADVISORY

BOARD MEMBER: LilyRose Cockrum.

OTHERS PRESENT: Emery Corzine, Pastor Jarad Corzine, Abby Mast, Alan Meyer, Martha Morse and Lieutenant Nick Roberts #234.

This was an open meeting that took place in the Board Room at the Board of Education Offices. There was a total of thirty-two (32) Employees, six (6) Guests, one (1) Student Board Member, and five (5) 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. Five {5} Board Members and one {1} Student Board Member were physically 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 Jarad Corzine with Unity Baptist Church offered the invocation.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT;

- A. GCSD9 BOE and Administration recognized the following Teachers who won the 1st MidAmerica Credit Union Teacher Grant to use for their classrooms:

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

STACY SWINGLER; Kindergarten through 5th Grade

FROHARDT AND MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TRACY NOUD; 3rd and 4th Grade

MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ALLISON DOWNING; 3rd and 4th Grade

TIFFANY KAHN; 3rd Grade

PATRICK MCBRIDE; 3rd Grade

PRATHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JESSICA FARRIS; Kindergarten

KAY LANFERSIECK; Kindergarten

STACEY UNFRIED; Kindergarten

WILSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MARY WRIGHT; 1st and 2nd Grade

3. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOE MEETING;** Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

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

4. **CONSENT AGENDA;** (1-2) Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Knogl, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as follows:

Treasurer’s Report;

Treasurer’s Report from January 2025;
{available upon request}

Bill List;

Bill List from February 5, 2025 - February 19, 2025;
{available upon request}

Gifts

GRANITE CITY CUSD9 DONATIONS; the GCSD9 Board of Education accepted the following gifts with thanks and appreciation.

Donations to Frohardt Elementary School in memory of Mary Ruth Snelson's Sister, Patricia Arbogast. This money will be dedicated for the incoming nurse who will be serving at Frohardt. Thank you for your generosity!

Darren and Ann Mayhall; \$100

Donna Carli; \$20.00

Donations to a GCSD9 Family. We cannot thank the list below, enough for their generosity, selfless time and hard work, supplies, etc. that allowed this family to have their home again!

Airco Service Company

City of Granite City

Unity Baptist Church

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

5. **RESCIND RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS;** (3) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of administration, to rescind the following retirements and resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Tracie Grote	4 th Grade Teacher/Mitchell	Rescind	End of 2025/2026
Colleen Tretter	Paraprofessional/Frohardt	Rescind	End of 2026/2027

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

6. **RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS;** (3) Motion by Member Bradley, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of administration, to accept the following retirements and resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Tracie Grote	4 th Grade Teacher/Mitchell	Retirement	End of 2024/2025
Colleen Tretter	Paraprofessional/Frohardt	Retirement	06/01/2025

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

7. **REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE;** (3) Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following requests for leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Angela Ellis	5 th Grade Teacher/Grigsby	FMLA	04/07/2025 - 06/02/2025
Lisa Captain	English Teacher/Coolidge	FMLA	03/03/2025 - 04/07/2025

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

8. **METAL DETECTOR SUPERVISION AT COOLIDGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL;** (4) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the addition of an extracurricular stipend for the supervision and implementation of metal detectors:

👁️ **Rationale:** Additional staff will be necessary to effectively implement metal detectors at Coolidge Junior High School. Six (6) certified staff will work daily before school from 6:20 am - 7:20 am, at Exit 1 and Exit 2.

Certified staff will be compensated as determined by the 2024-2025 Extracurricular Stipend Schedule at Club Sponsor B per quarter.

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

9. **EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR;** (5) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular assignments for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Kathy Conley	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Dawn Hamm	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
William Laycock	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Kim Lignoul	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Lisa Miller	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
John Moad	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Jaime Pamatot	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Bill Puhse	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Jeff Ridenour	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Ann Sykes	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Meredith Tabscott	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Vince Willaredt	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Gayla Bennett	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Jennifer Dutko	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Jodie Jackels	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Terri Kunz	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Laura Pavlovec	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
Sonja Stewart	CJHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
*Liz Cicio	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
*Peggy Wilson	GCHS 4 th Quarter Metal Detector Supervisor
	*GCHS <u>Night School</u>

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Vince Willaredt	GCHS Baseball Coach
Sheila McElroy	CJHS Track Coach

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

11. **RECOMMENDATION FOR GCHS STUDENT WORKERS {CO-OPS} FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR;** (7) Motion by Member Bradley, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to the following Student Workers {co-ops} for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>
Joshua Morales

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

12. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES;** (8) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Bradley, 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;

n/a

Classified;

Marilyn Cross

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

13. EMPLOYMENT OF FOUR-HOUR UNION CAFÉ WORKER FOR THE 2024-2025

SCHOOL YEAR; (9) Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Venne, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the employment of **Jenellee Hartman** as a Four-Hour Union Café Worker for the 2024-2025 school year, pending the submission of the required paperwork.

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

14. EMPLOYMENT OF TITLE I PARAPROFESSIONAL FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR;

(10) Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the employment of **Aurora Lockhart** as a Title I Paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year, pending the submission of the required paperwork.

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

15. SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE INVITATION; (11) Motion by Member Venne seconded by Member Bradley, to approve Administrations recommendation to accept the invitation for Granite City High School to join the Southwestern Conference.

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

16. RATIFICATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING {MOU} WITH THE GRANITE CITY FEDERATION OF EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONALS; (12) Motion by Member Lienemann seconded by Member Knogl, to approve Administrations recommendation to Ratify the Memorandum of Understanding {MOU} between The Granite City Federation of Educational Professionals and Granite City CUSD9, signed on Friday, February 21, 2025. The MOU addresses the Alignment of Building Times, Scheduling and Staffing Provisions.

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

A. Freedom of Information Act {FOIA} Requests; n/a
{for review only}

B. Illinois Association of School Boards {IASB} Liaison Report; n/a
{GCSD9 Board Liaison Linda Knogl}

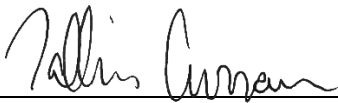
17. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOE MEETING**; Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Knogl, to approve the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

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

18. The next Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 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 Board Room.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Bradley, to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 pm.

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



Tallin P. Curran, President
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Erica L. Venne, Secretary
Board of Education
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