

GIBSON CITY-MELVIN-SIBLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5
MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 17, 2014

The Board of Education of Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley Community Unit School District #5 met in regular session on Thursday, July 17, 2014, at 6:15 pm in the GCMS Board Room. Roll was called with members Swearingen, Elder, Johnson, and Cope in attendance. Board Members Whitehouse, Zbinden, Young were absent. Also present were, Debbie McCullough, Patti Welander, Susan Riley, Leigh Crowley, Shantell Lockhart, April Nettleton, Jenny Noble, Bob Forgerty (GRP), Christopher Garard, Jeremy Darnell, Justin Kean, Anthony Galindo, and Board Secretary Sarah Sarantakos.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance being recited by all present.

A motion to appoint Josh Johnson as acting secretary in the absence of Tyler Young. Motion was made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Elder. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Recognition of Visitors:

April Nettleton and Jenny Noble representatives from the CAPS after school program addressed the board with a request able to operate under the GCMS School District. This request is due to the numerous regulations and limitation and licensing from DCFS, which is currently who the CAPS program operates under. They assured that there would be no cost to the district. They are a non-for profit organization and services children in grades K-5. The program is housed in the elementary school. They receive payment from parents whose children attend the after school program as well as private donations. They pay their own staff and carry their own liability insurance. After answering several questions from the board it was the consensus to let the CAPS program pursue this request. They are to work with the school's attorney to see if an agreement for can be reached.

Bob Forgerty from GRP was present to address the board on the progress of the performance contracting projects in the district. The high school gym floor has been installed and the 3 point area has been stained. The issue with being able to open and close the windows above the bleachers has been addressed. They will extend the tool used to open the window. The bleachers are being installed. They will take about a week and a half. The air-conditioner is operational as well. Board member Johnson voiced the concerns about the darker than expected stain color in the 3 point area. Johnson wanted to know who approved that color. Mr. Forgerty had no answer for the board but he would find out. The elementary school has the new walls up; electrical installed the drywall and ductwork for the heating and air conditioner as well as the painting will be done in the next 2 weeks. The ceiling tiles will also be installed. The new egressed windows opening have been sized accordingly and are ready for the windows that will be coming next week. Concerns were voiced as to whether the buildings would be completed in time for school registration on August 6th. Mr. Forgerty was sure that the areas needed for registration would be completed. The middle school door hard ware/handles have been replaced.

Mr. Galindo opened the Public **Hearing on Driver Education Waiver**. He stated this was just the renewal for an additional 5 years through the school year 2019-2020. This resolution allows the district to raise the driver's education fee up to \$250.00 if necessary. At this time however the fee will remain at \$150.00. Public comment was requested but no public comment given. Motion to approve and submit the **Driver Education Waiver** as presented. Motion was made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Johnson. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

A motion to go into executive session at 6:58 pm for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity 5ILCS 120/2(c) (1), student disciplinary cases 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (9), the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students 5ILCS120/2(c) (10), and collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2). Motion was made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Elder. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

A motion to return to regular session was made by member Elder and seconded by member Johnson at 7:36 pm. Motion carried by voice vote, with all members present voting yes.

Addition Agenda Items: None

Consent Agenda:

A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented in the board packet, motion was made by member Johnson and seconded by member Elder. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yes. **GCMS Accounts Payable** bills approved for were \$888,651.88 (Education fund \$216,623.04 - Building fund \$138,354.60 - Debt Service fund - Transportation fund \$9609.34 - IMRF fund \$18,665.52 - Capital Projects fund \$348,002.54- W/C \$0.00 -TORT \$70,470.84- F/HLS \$86,926.00) **GCMS Payrolls** approved were \$430,966.21 (Education fund \$410,707.05- Building fund \$17,478.91-Transportation fund \$2780.25- TORT \$2,584.09 **FCSEC Accounts Payable** bills approved were \$48,822.80 Accounts Payable (Education fund \$45,232.85- Building fund \$1,619.11 - IMRF Fund \$1,970.84 and **FCSEC Payrolls** approved were \$34,086.94 all in the Education fund. Also approved were the GCMS regular and executive board meeting minutes from June 19, 2014, lunch reports, the financial/treasurers report on behalf of the GCMS District and the FCSEC, the investment report on behalf of the GCMS District and the FCSEC, the destruction of executive session tapes through the end of January 2013, as well as the 1 donation as seen below.

Approve the following donations:

Amount	From	To
\$776.21	Inter-State Studios	Elementary School

Approve the field trip(s) for: None at this time.

Approve Facility Use Agreements or Request for Use of School Kitchen/Cafeteria pending proof of insurance and all other district requirements for: None at this time

Action Items from Executive Session

Accept Resignation: None at this time

Approve Employment:

Motion to approve Zach **Louret as 7th grade Boys Basketball Coach** beginning the 2014/2015 school year at a stipend according to the negotiated agreement between the GCMSEA and the GCMS Board of Education. Motion made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion to approve **Cathy Cope as Instructor for special education** extended year services. **2 hours for 15 days @ \$32.97/hour.** Motion made by member Elder and seconded by member Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion to approve **Mark Koon as a 5th grade teacher at GCMS Elementary School** beginning school year 2014-2015 at the rate as prescribed by the negotiated agreement between the GCMSEA and GCMS BOE.(\$36,289 – TRS rate) Motion made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Elder. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Committee Reports

Policy: Members-Rod Cope, Adam Elder, Jamie Zbinden

Mr. Elder reported on the Policy meeting held on July 7, 2014. Mr. Elder did the first reading of policies 4:100, 4:160, 4:170, 4:175, 5:280, 6:150, 7:250 for all in attendance. A motion to approve the **first reading of policies 4:100, 4:160, 4:170, 4:175, 5:280, 6:150, 7:250.** Motion made by member Johnson and seconded by member Swearingen. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Building, Grounds, & Transportation: Members-Jamie Zbinden, Steve Swearingen, Rod Cope
Mr. Galindo informed the board about the **Activity Bus** trade-in value of \$1,800.00 also, that the auto insurance and license will be of very little expense. The board agreed that for now to keep the older activity bus.

Personnel & Finance: Members-Tyler Young, Phil Whitehouse, Josh Johnson

There was Personnel and Finance committee meeting held on July 16, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to review the fiscal year 2014 budget and preview the fiscal year 2015 budget. Mr. Galindo will address this more in his report.

Strategy and Enrichment Committee:

Nothing to report, need to set a meeting date for some time in July or August 2014.

Wellness Team: Josh Johnson

Nothing to report.

Building Administrator Reports:

Principals Report:

Principals Christopher Garard, Jeremy Darnell and Justin Kean addressed the board, reporting on staffing, current activities and planned events in their perspective buildings. (Principals reports are attached to these minutes).

Ford County Special Education Cooperative Report: No report

Superintendent's Report

Correspondence:

Mr. Galindo recognized board member Steve Swearingen for his accomplishment for completing the "Professional development leadership training and performance evaluation reform act (PERA) training."

Mr. Galindo shared thank you notes from Betty Goembel, Laurel Sperry, and the FCA for the use of the facilities for their Power Camp.

Mr. Galindo informed the board of a notice from the ROE that we have addressed the concerns from the annual compliance visit and are now in full compliance.

Mr. Galindo notified the board concerning the FCSEC budget hearing. We would like to set this hearing for August 21, 2014 at 6:00pm. No objections were raised. A motion to set **FCSEC Budget hearing for 6:00 pm on August, 21, 2014.** Motion made by member Johnson and seconded by member Swearingen. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Galindo presented to the board the GCMS tentative budget for fiscal year 2015. Motion to approve the **GCMS Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2015**, and to put it on display in unit office of GCMS school district, and set budget hearing for September 18, 2014 at 6:00 pm in the GCMS Board Room in the unit office. Motion made by member Elder and seconded by member Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Galindo reported on the annual insurance renewal rates. There was an increase of 9.50% from last year due to the increase in property values and rate increase. Motion to approve the **property insurance renewal with Trident at a cost of \$59,196 for Fiscal Year 2015.** Motion made by member Elder and seconded by member Swearingen. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Galindo provided an update on the Triple I Conference. We went ahead with reservations for all. It was open online this year and we were not able to get the SwissHotel but are all at the Hyatt

Regency. I will start working on dinner plans. The dates for this conference are November 20-
November 23.

Mr. Galindo spoke about the BuyBoard program and the desire to participate with this purchasing cooperative group. Motion to approve the Resolution to participate in the **National Purchasing Cooperative, BuyBoard**. Motion made by member Swearingen and seconded by member Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote with all members present voting yes.

Reminders:

*Master Board Member Activities Summary is due July 31, 2014.

*Registration for school is on August 6, 2014 from 9:00am to 8:00pm at all schools.

*New student registration is on August 7, 2014 - by appointment. Please call the school your student grade level is in.

*All school scavenger hunt 6:00 pm on August 14, 2014 at Railside Golf Club.

*Back to school Bash/Cookout is on August 15, 6:30 pm at the high school.

*GCMS Welcome Back Breakfast and Staff meeting is on August 18, 2014. Any board members that can help are to be at the elementary school by 6:30am.

A motion to adjourn regular session was made by member Elder and seconded by member Swearingen at 8:20 pm. Motion carried by voice vote, with all members present voting yes.

President

Secretary