



## **GENEVA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 304 227 NORTH FOURTH STREET, GENEVA, ILLINOIS RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 304 met in a regular session on Thursday, November 29, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Coultrap Educational Services Center, 227 North Fourth Street, Geneva, Illinois

### **1. CALL TO ORDER (Bylaws 0163 & 0164)**

- 1.1 Roll Call
- 1.2 Welcome
- 1.3 Pledge
- 1.4 Reminder to sign attendance sheet

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Grosso.

Board members present: Taylor Egan, Policy Committee Chair Leslie Juby, Finance Committee Chair Dave Lamb, Vice President Kelly Nowak, Mary Stith, President Mark Grosso. Late: Mike McCormick. Absent: None.

The President welcomed everyone, reminded them to sign the attendance record, and lead them in the Pledge of Allegiance.

District staff present: Laura Sprague, Communications Coordinator; Dr. Dean Romano, Assistant Superintendent Business Services; Dr. Andy Barrett, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning; Dr. Adam Law, Assistant Superintendent Personnel Services; Dr. Kent Mutchler, Superintendent.

Others: Joe Blomquist, Claire Nowak, Terri Helfers, Lisa Paul, Josie Paul, Gretchen Weber, Helene McBride, Jacqueline Forbes, Mark Hedrick, Brenda Schory.

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Bylaw 0168.1)**

- 2.1 Regular Session, November 12, 2018
- 2.2 Executive Session, November 12, 2018

Motion by Egan, second by Stith, to approve the above-listed minutes, items 2.1-2.2. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

### **3. RECOGNITION, AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 3.1 2019-2020 Preliminary Tech Plan – Mike Wilkes

Director of Technology Mike Wilkes presented to the committee the 2019-2020 Technology Plan. For 2019-2020, the District's initiatives are 1:1 learning refresh, HDMI capability for projectors, learning environment support, a 3-year network upgrade plan, firewall licensing renewal, and internet services. The projected cost for these projects is \$1,395,000 before offsets. Switch replacements and fiber cabling replacements have been ongoing projects. The next steps will include Board review and approval, E-rate RFP/bid process, and refining estimates.

**4. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT (Policy 1210)**

Dr. Mutchler shared that we are at a transition and have started activities for the winter season. Work is continuing on the 2019-2020 school calendar. Thanks to Dr. Barrett for spearheading this. We will bring calendar options back to the Board for review. ACT testing will be beginning soon.

**5. BOARD DIALOGUE TOPICS & PENDING ACTION CONSIDERATION**

**6.1 Student Discipline Recommendation**

This recommendation is to affirm the decision made by the Board at their last meeting. Under Senate Bill 100, this is required.

Motion by Nowak, second by Lamb, that the Board find Student A eligible for expulsion through the end of the 2019-2020 school year and to accept the Administration’s recommendation that the students be placed in lieu of expulsion at an alternative placement program and/or MVSEC Safe School program for the same period of time, pending successful completion of that program. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

**6.2 2019-2020 Preliminary Tech Plan Recommendation**

Director of Technology Mike Wilkes is asking for the Board’s approval on tonight’s presentation of the 2019-2020 Technology Plan.

Motion by Lamb, second by Juby, to approve the above-listed preliminary tech plan, item 6.2. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

**6.3 2019-2020 GHS Course Catalog**

Dr. Andy Barrett is asking for the Board’s approval of the 2019-2020 GHS Course Catalog.

Motion by Juby, second by Egan, to approve the above-listed course catalog, item 6.3. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

**6.4 Geneva Support Staff Association Contract**

Dr. Adam Law opened the floor to questions from the Board, then asked that they approve the new contract with the GSSA.

Motion by Juby, second by Lamb, to approve the above-listed GSSA contract, item 6.4. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

**6. WORK-STUDY TOPICS & FUTURE ACTION CONSIDERATION**

**7.1 Board Meeting/Presentation Schedule**

This document continues to be updated, and we hope that the public will check it regularly for topics. There will be changes in the future, as we set a new date for the Board Retreat.

**7. INFORMATION**

**8.1 Suspension Report**

**8.2 Out-of-State Trip Request**

**8. CONSENT AGENDA (Bylaw 0166.1)**

**9.1 Personnel Report: Resignations, Retirements, Leave Requests, Changes in Assignment/FTE, New Hires (Policies 1520, 3120, 4120)**

Long-Term Substitutes Certified Staff

Martin, Sandy (Megan Bruno), MCS, Grade 1, 1.0 FTE, effective 12/10/18-3/19/19

Higgins, Lynn (Alex Collier), WES, Acceleration Enrichment, 1.0 FTE, effective 11/28/18-12/21/18

Family and Medical Leave Certified Staff

Kovarik, Christina, WAS, Grade 3, 1.0 FTE, effective 10/30/18-11/8/18

Collier, Alex, WES, Acceleration Enrichment, 1.0 FTE, effective 11/28/18-12/21/18

Whitson, Blake, WES, School Psychologist, 1.0 FTE, effective 1/7/19-1/18/19

Barron, Elyse, GHS, Spanish, 1.0 FTE, effective 4/4/19-5/31/19

New Hires Support Staff

Sheridan, Carolyn, GELP, Special Education Assistant, 9-month, effective 11/14/18

DeRosa, Robert, All Buildings, Maintenance, 12-month, effective 11/20/18

Resignations Support Staff

Scherer, Natalia, WAS, Special Education Assistant, 9-month, effective 11/26/18

Jones, Tim, CO, Building Services Coordinator, 12-month, effective 12/3/18

Reappointment/Reclassifications Support Staff

Fowler, Matthew, GHS, On-call Custodian to 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian, 12-month

Emody, Thomas, GHS, Building Technician 10-month MCS to Building Technician 12-month GHS

Family and Medical Leave Support Staff

Clark, James, GHS, Custodian, 12-month, effective 11/9/18-1/22/19

Salazar, Francisco, GMSN, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian, 12-month, effective 12/10/18-2/5/19

Retirement Support Staff

Fitzmaurice, Philip, GMSN, Custodian, 12-month, effective 1/4/19

Waller, Jan, CO, Administrative Assistant HR, 12-month, effective 2/12/19

Motion by Juby, second by Lamb, to approve the above-listed, items 9.1. On roll call, Ayes, six (6), Egan, Juby, Lamb, Nowak, Stith, Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, one (1), McCormick. Abstained, none (0).

**9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

*Policy Committee, Finance Committee, Boundary Task Force, Communications Task Force, Facilities Task Force, Technology Task Force, Joint PTO, Geneva Academic Foundation, Geneva All-Sports Boosters, Geneva Music Boosters, Geneva High School Theater Boosters, GEARS, K-12 Discipline Committee, Geneva Coalition for Youth, PRIDE, Fox Valley Career Center, IASB/Legislative, IASB Kishwaukee Governing Board*

The IASB State Conference was last weekend, and it would be nice to here from all Board members at the next meeting about the workshops they attended. The IASB Delegate Assembly met during the conference, and what got the most attention was the policy on arming our teachers. It was voted down, but if you feel strongly about this topic you should contact your local legislators to let them know your thoughts.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Per Board Policy 0167.3, Section C, Attendees wishing to speak at the Board meeting must register their intention to participate in the public portion(s) of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting. Complete the form found in the Welcome to Our Meeting brochure (print legibly) and give it to the Presiding Officer or the Recording Secretary before the meeting is called to order.*

None.

**11. NOTICES / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS PERTAINING TO COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATING MATTERS BETWEEN THE PUBLIC BODY AND ITS EMPLOYEES OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES [5 ILCS 120/(c)(2)]. (Bylaw 0167.2)**

At 5:20 p.m., motion by Nowak, second by Egan, to go into executive session to consider matters pertaining to collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; student disciplinary cases. On roll call, Ayes, seven (7), Egan, Juby, Lamb, McCormick, Nowak, Stith, and Grosso. Nays, none (0). Absent, none (0). Abstained, none (0).

At 7:23 p.m., the Board returned to open session.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:24 p.m., motion by Lamb, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED December 14, 2018  
(Date)

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

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SECRETARY