

Gardner Community Consolidated School District 72C

Meeting of the Board of Education

Wednesday, December 18, 2019

Cafeteria

7:00PM

Board Minutes

The meeting was held on December 18, 2019. Denny Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

**Roll Call**

Present- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Audience Participation-**

Dan Liebers representing AXA Equitable presented Investment offerings of his firm. He indicated that AXA provides similar services to many school districts within the area and was #1 company in K-12 School offerings. He explained several plans that his firm could offer employees as well as the tax implications of many of these plans. Liebers explained any of his plans offer a Zero cost to the employer, except the time required to process the payroll deduction/check, and a minimal cost to the employee (2% annually up to \$30, Over \$25,000 invested= \$0 Cost). Liebers explained several other value added services his company could offer: AXA administration, Student Loan Forgiveness Assistance, Investment Portfolio Diversification, Tax Analysis regarding Pre-Tax/Post-Tax deduction.

A motion was made to Approve the Board of Education Minutes from November 2019.

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Olsen

Aye- Christensen, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Abstain- Hahn

Motion Carries

**Financial Business**

A motion to approve payment of bills for the month of December, 2019

1<sup>st</sup>- Olsen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Vitko

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

A motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$92,212.85 (Gross) and \$73,604.24 (Net).

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

A motion to approve the treasurer's report for the month of November, 2019

1<sup>st</sup>- Hahn

2<sup>nd</sup>- Christensen

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Cornale presented an excerpt from the annual budget pages. The needed beginning balances were placed in these forms to allow for the correct ending balances.

A motion to approve our intent to complete and submit the School Maintenance Project Grant.

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

A motion to approve the Proposed Payable 2020 Tax Levy.

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

### **Superintendent Report/ New Business**

PTG Holiday Shop- Kudos to PTG for organizing event, Hahn shared positive comments

PTG Events- Celebration assembly (Feb 14) and Trivia Night- ½ day AM with Wilhelmi Program= bully/character message

Holiday Musical- Kudos to Woods/Leone; great feedback

Vision and Hearing Screenings- 1<sup>st</sup> round completed 12-11, K,1,2,3 learners w/ IEPS

Illinois Central Transportation Contract- 3% increase for 2020-21 from 12-11 meeting. Questions still about EC/DK Monitor, maybe cameras. Merritt indicated no bus troubles so far. Olsen asked about possibly looking into buses. Several concerns were brought up including: time concerns, storage, leasing, budgeting, owning buses, how many other buses. Members requested a copy of the current bus contract.

Prairie State Insurance Cooperative Meeting- Merritt discussed Ransomware, Threat assesment, Health insurance options

- Threat process- Team included: Merritt, Bexson, Johnson, Norris
- Harrasment Policy- January 17<sup>th</sup>
- December 4, 2019 PSIC Meeting, May 16<sup>th</sup> next meeting
- 212 districts in PSIC
- Medical/Health insurance offerings in Summer 19

IVASBO Meeting- December 6<sup>th</sup>: Lasalle County Assessor present to discuss 4 year review of properties, indicated it wasn't getting done. Discussed impact on taxing bodies

January 6, 2020 Institute day plans- Math Curriculum Review, GCSEC Behavior Specialist, Health Department Stop the Bleed instruction

Blended Preschool Program Survey- Jan/Feb Preschool for all survey results looked at, discussed IGA with Coal City/ implications, GCSEC Staffing needs/ availability

Superintendents Goals were placed into closed Session

Strategic Planning Process- Mikia Hall- IASB conference call looking at Board Goals, Stakeholders Goals/ Plan

Inclement Weather Notification Guidelines- hope to send out soon, 2 hour delayed start

IASB PRESS Updates: First Reading- Board Policy Administrative Procedure: 3:10 Goals and Objectives, 3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal, 4:45-AP1 Insufficient Fund Checks, 4:45-APS Local Debt Recovery Program Implementation Procedures, 4:45-E1 Cover Page Documenting the process to seek offset from the Illinois office of the comptroller, 4:45-E2 Notice of Claim and intent to seek Debt Recovery, Challenge and response to Challenge, 4:55-AP Controls for the use of District Credit and Procurement Cards, 4:70-AP Resource Conservation, 4:90 Activity Funds

Gardner 72 C Holiday Party- Friday January 10@ 6:30, EveryBuddies Food, Trivia Maybe

IASB Trends in Collective Bargaining- Saturday January 25, Naperville- Kathy can sign up if interested

Three Rivers Legislative Breakfast- Saturday February 8

### **Old Business-**

Joint Annual Conference: Board members shared the following thoughts/comments

Christensen

- Art of School Boarding
  - Chain of command
  - Realistic goal setting
- Can't Make this Stuff up
  - Several Changes happening
  - Evaluations/ process/procedures
  - Court Decisions coming from Chicago
- Legislative Issues
  - How good legislators do for themselves
  - \$15/ Hour 40K/year
- Board President Roundtable
  - No solving issues alone
  - Chain of Command
  - Board President presence at committee meetings
  - Concerns: Board members only dealing w/ personnel issues
  - Never have a 4-3 vote
  - Get questions answered to insure no split vote

Vitko

- Strategic Planning
  - Goals Broke down
  - Evaluations/ Danielson
  - District Goal Evolution
  - No Facilitators

Hahn

- Pass

Olsen

- 2 Finance Classes
  - Expenditures/ all Numbers
  - Hurried through the information
  - Discussion about Tax Capped Districts
  - Felt 72C give a good explanation of materials prior to these meetings

Merritt

- Goals
  - Rockdale Superintendent
  - IASB Goals
  - IASB Facilitation Process
  - Successes
  - Rockdale Growth/Developments

Staff Professional Development Follow Up- Biros, Mund, Tjelle Takeaways, shared presentation from RSAC conference

### **Board Committee Reports**

- Building and Ground Committee
  - Festival of Trees funding

- Curriculum
- Finance Committee
  - FRIS report of Transportation Totals in question
- Handbook
  - Way behind: Biros, Bexson, Hennessey, Walsh, Vitko working on it using IPA handbook
- Personnel
- Sports
  - Athletic boosters- Bonarek Donation of popcorn bags
  - Sam's Club Membership- PTG Use/ Athletic Boosters
  - Indoor Gym Usage Expectations- Reviewed Draft, discussed suggestions
- Technology
  - 1:1 Device Launch- 20 Devices ordered, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade charging devices, 800-1000/cart, \$6400 REAP grant

Motion to adjourn into closed session to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or a permissible matter under the Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120 (2) (1). Motion was made at 8:50PM

1<sup>st</sup>- Vitko

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Motion to adjourn closed session and return to regular session. Motion was made at 10:13PM

1<sup>st</sup>- Olsen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Motion to approve Easton Ashley to assist Coach Faletti w/ 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Volleyball for the 19-20 Season.

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Motion to approve the destruction of closed session meeting audio recordings and the minutes accompanying those closed session meetings after 18 months have passed and prior.

1<sup>st</sup>- Hahn

2<sup>nd</sup>- Vitko

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Motion to approve closed meeting minutes will not be made for public release.

1<sup>st</sup>- Hahn

2<sup>nd</sup>- Christensen

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries

Motion to adjourn Regular Board Meeting at 10:23 pm

1<sup>st</sup>- Christensen

2<sup>nd</sup>- Hahn

Aye- Christensen, Hahn, Olsen, Vitko

Absent- Hamilton, Male, Wilkey

Motion Carries