

FULTON SCHOOLS
Fulton Board of Education
Regular Meeting
April 8, 2019
Minutes

President of the Board, Karla Childers **called the meeting to order** and led the **Pledge of Allegiance** at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present: Childers, Grover, Lorenz, G. Trefil, K. Trefil, Walden
Board member absent: Vusich

Welcome and Introduction of Guests was conducted by President Childers, as we ask Board Members, Administrators, and the Audience to introduce themselves. Those in attendance were:

Jeremy Winsor	Tom Armstrong	Paul Avery	Daryl Trefil
Mike Myers	Kevin Mikulka	Greg Wolfe	Brian Wyman
Emily Sorah	Casey Leslie	McKenzie Feighner	Robert Sorah
Lexie Sorah	Paul Sorah	Cheryl Wiseman	Paul Hungerford

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Grover, support by Lorenz that the April 8th, 2019 agenda be approved as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Lorenz, support by G. Trefil that the Board approves the minutes of the regular meeting of March 11th, 2019 as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

Communication to the Board

Written Communication - None

Comments and Concerns of Citizens Presents – None

P.R.I.D.E. Spotlight

Jeremy Winsor

Mr. Jeremy Winsor was chosen as Michigan Farm Bureau’s “Educator of the Year”.

Jeremy has also been selected as MDE Region 4 “Teacher of the Year”. Jeremy is one of ten candidates vying for State Teacher of the Year. He will make a presentation at the State level next week.

Salmon Release Project Update

The students of the Salmon Release project will release their salmon on April 26, 2019 near the Hubbardston spillway. This year’s project has been completed along with students of Cari Smith’s class from the Catholic church in Fowler.

On May 17th, Dr. Howard Tanner will be speaking with students regarding the stocking of fish in the Great Lakes and as a WWII veteran he will also be speaking to students regarding his experiences.

Robotic's Club

The Robotics Club members along with advisors Brian Wyman and Paul Sorah introduced their creation, "Frankenstein". The group explained and demonstrated what Frankenstein was required to do, as a participant in the robotic's competition. The members of the robotics club were Kaden Curtis, McKenzie Feighner, Casey Leslie, Jeremy Seger, Emily Sorah, Robert Sorah, and Lexie Sorah.

Good News About Our Schools

Director of Business and Operations – Mr. Armstrong

- Updated the Board on the status of our Food Service RFP.
- Mr. Armstrong will be installed as President of Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO) on May 2, 2019 at MSBO's annual conference in Grand Rapids.

Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation - Mr. Wolfe

Spring is here and all the athletic events have started as scheduled. Busy keeping the grounds ready for these events.

Community Education - Mr. Myers

Mr. Myers shared Homeless statistic for the State of Michigan.

Middleton Programs

Alternative

- MSU Cooperative Extension cooking class is being offered to students each Thursday for approximately six weeks. Last week was Homemade Pizza. Students participated in making their own pizzas in small groups. They also are learning nutritional and life skills, plus they are taking home the products they can use within their own homes to demonstrate what they have learned.
- Three Fulton Alternative Education student's art has been chosen for the YFC Art show at Alma College. Kathy Collins is also teaching an Art class.
- After winning all three Major MAAA sports titles in this school year, the FAAE Pirates have begun focusing on the next and last sport title of the 2018-19 school year, COED Softball. There are 12 students signed up. We have been practicing outside for a week.

Adults

- Adult Education at the Middleton site has had a few new students enroll this past month. One of these student's is planning to graduate this year as well.

On line

- We currently have 64 students taking at least one class online; this includes 100% online, adult and alternative students.

Jail Programs

- Jail is staying steady with students. We are actually doing our first year of state testing at the Gratiot County Jail this year. Gratiot is working with us for the betterment of the students. The PSAT will be given to 9th & 10th grade students.
- We have decided to discontinue our affiliation with Saginaw Jail program effective June 30, 2019. It has been difficult to continue education for those students within our program once they were released.

English Language Learning(ELL) Program

- Mercy is enrolling a couple of new students at the Middleton site, and will be post-testing two students in Alma this week.
- We are back to a full schedule now that we have our aide for the program. We run classes 4 days a week and are the only program in Gratiot County offering ESL services.

Elementary School – Mr. Avery

- Spring break was well timed for illness. Staff and students have returned healthier. Kindergarten round-up is being held on Wednesday, April 10th. There are currently 49 students signed up.
- The State offered an extension for the M-Step testing. Staff and administration have decided to move back the M-Step testing to allow for more student prep time. -
- Attended a MTSS workshop at the RESD
- Planning is underway for the annual Fun Run and Lunch on the Lawn at the end of May.
- Preschool Grandparents day will be held in the morning on April 25, 2019.
- K-5 Grandparents day will be held on the afternoon of April 26, 2019.

High School/Middle School - Mr. Hungerford

Middle School

- The 8th grade students participated in Civil War Days on April 3, 2019. The students had a great day of learning and were able to experience the program in its entirety. At this time, we're the only school the auxiliary will perform for. They truly enjoy our students.
- The 8th grade students will begin taking the PSAT and M-Step assessments in the next couple of weeks.

High School

- Prom and Project Graduation is scheduled for Saturday, May 4th. The dance is from 8 p.m.-11 p.m. at the Centennial Hall in Mt. Pleasant. All students attending the dance will have the opportunity to participate in the Project Graduation activities held at the high school from midnight-6 a.m.
- The Academic Awards Night date has been set for Wednesday, May 15th at 7:00 p.m., at the high school.
- Graduation is scheduled for Sunday, May 19th, at 2 p.m.
- Our juniors will be taking the SAT and Work Keys tests tomorrow and Wednesday.
- New scoreboards, will be installed, at our outdoor athletic complex and in the high school gym within the next two months.
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Superintendent's Informational Report

"Stop the Bleed"

Professional Development for all Staff: In conjunction with Gratiot County Safety Alliance, and our local First Responders, our staff will learn how to appropriately treat students and each other during a time of distress. Basic First Aid training will be provided, and each school will also have "Stop the Bleed" safety kits donated, from the county/state.

Annual Education Report

Mr. Hungerford presented the Annual Education Report.

Snow Day Forgiveness Update

Mr. Hungerford updated the board on the status of the legislative bills at the House and Senate level regarding any additional days of forgiveness.

Recommendations of the Superintendent

Personnel Action

EMPLOYMENT RESIGNATIONS

Bus Driver/Food Service Retirement/Resignation

Motion by Lorenz, support by Grover that the Board accepts the letter of retirement/resignation from Mrs. Gloria Dunkel as a bus driver and member of the Food Service, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 Academic School year approximately, June 19, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

National Honor Society

Motion by Grover, support by Lorenz that the Board accept the letter of resignation from Crystal Ballivian as the National Honor Society Advisor effective at the end of the 2018-2019 Academic School Year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Spring Coaches

Baseball

Head Varsity – Corey Hungerford

Volunteer – Max Hodges

Volunteer – Zach Baker

Golf

Varsity - Kelly McEwen

Volunteer – Hudson Friesen

Softball

Head Varsity Softball – Chris Barrus

Volunteer – Rob Case

Volunteer – Rich Kathrens

Volunteer – Jennifer Rudy

High School Track

Head Varsity Boys – Dave Sheahan

Head Varsity Girls – Jeff Biddinger

Assistant (HS) – Corey Reynolds

Volunteer – Jeff Waldron

Volunteer – Katina Struble

Volunteer – Megan Struble

Volunteer – Brooke Baker

Volunteer – Jordan Biddinger

Volunteer – Bob Baker

Volunteer – Zach Baker

Volunteer – Russ Alwood

Middle School Track

Boys & Girls Middle School – Natasha Lamkin

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Motion by G. Trefil, support by Lorez that the Board approves the Spring coaching and volunteer coaching recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Use of Credit/Debit Cards Policy

Motion by Lorenz, support by G. Trefil that the Board approves the second reading and adoption of Board Policy 6423 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the 2019-2020 Academic Calendar

Motion by Grover, support by K. Trefil that the Board of Education approves the 2019-2020 Academic Calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statements and Bills

Motion by Lorenz, support by Grover, that the March Financial Statements for the Athletics in the amount of \$1,958.41, for the invoices in the amount of \$498,194.56, and for the payroll in the amount \$439,643.78 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Matters for Possible Action

May 13th is the date that the sub-committee reports and completed Superintendent Evaluations are to be turned in to Board President Karla Childers.

Mr. Hungerford will be attending a meeting with GI-RESD Superintendent Jan Amsterburg, Superintendent of Carson City Crystal Schools Kevin Murphy, and a representative from Trade Winds regarding the wind turbines.

Adjournment

Motion by Grover, support by Walden that the regular April meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 7:59 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Vusich
Board Secretary

Cheryl Wiseman
Recording Secretary