

## **MINUTES**

**Granger School District No. 204  
Regular School Board Meeting  
GHS Multipurpose Room  
November 20, 2023**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Ron Fleming followed by the flag salute and roll call.

### **ROLL CALL (Board)**

Ron Fleming, Dalia Chavez-Isiordia, Paul Golob, Rick Russell, and Kyle Shinn were present.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Josh Golob, Granger High School teacher, expressed his concerns regarding the checkout system for district credit cards. He requested that the board amend current district policy to allow the credit card to be kept at the high school or in the ASB advisor's possession to use as needed.

### **HONORS & RECOGNITION**

#### **a. New Board Member Announcement**

Superintendent, Brian Hart, announced that Veronica Bermudez was elected to replace Ron Fleming in the At-Large position. Veronica will be sworn in at the December 13<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting.

Retiring board member, Ron Fleming, was thanked for his 20 years of service on the school board. This was Ron's last meeting as a board member. Superintendent Brian Hart presented Ron with a certificate, gift card, and plaque of appreciation. Brian also shared a letter of appreciation with Ron and thanked him for all he has done for GSD.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. October 3, 2023 Special Board Meeting**
- b. October 18, 2023 Study Session Minutes**
- c. October 23, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Rick Russell made a motion to approve the 10/3/23, 10/18/23, and 10/23/23 meeting minutes. Dalia Chavez-Isiordia seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried. Minutes approved.

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

#### **a. ASB Update (ASB Representatives)**

ASB Representative, Corrina Slade, updated the board on the recent activities that have taken place at GHS. The update included a recap and pictures of the Veterans Day assembly, the Heritage Assembly, field trip to CWU, and blood drive. Corrina also shared the dates of the upcoming events that will take place in December.

#### **b. Washington DC & Columbus trip recap (Stephanie King)**

GHS English Teacher, Stephanie King, gave the board a recap and shared the highlights of her trips to Washington DC and Columbus, OH as part of her participation in the NEA Global Learning program.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Budget Status for October 2023, Financial Summary for October 2023, Cash Flow/Fund Balance Comparison, Enrollment November 2023**
- b. **Approval of Payroll & Accounts Payable for October 2022**
  1. **Accounts Payable: ASB & General Fund - 1st Run 11/15/23 & BMO**
  2. **Payroll Warrant: 11/30/23 & Void Reissue 11/01/23**

Business Manager, Amy Coats, updated the board on funding and revenue for the month of October 2023. The update included information on the October 2023 budget status, October 2023 financial report, cash flow balance comparison, and student enrollment for November 2023. Amy also shared the November 2023 payroll information with the board.

- c. **Personnel Changes for November 2023**

Superintendent Hart updated the board on the personnel changes for the month of November 2023.

## DISCUSSION

- a. **CTE Club Update DECA (Isael Marines & Mathew Johnson)**

CTE teachers, Isael Marines and Matthew Johnson, and a group of their CTE students gave the board an update on the DECA Fall Leadership Conference they attended in Bellevue, Washington, November 4-7, 2023. DECA provides students the opportunity to learn about business from industry leaders as well compete in business categories of their choice through role play and projects. The students shared the highlights of the conference and thanked the board for allowing them to attend.

- b. **Athletic Department Update: Classification Data & Fact Sheet (Dave Pearson)**

Athletic Director, Dave Pearson, shared that the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) is reviewing the classification of school districts for athletics. The goal is to have balanced classifications and competitive equity. Granger is classified as a 2B school and currently in the EWAC West bracket. The proposed classification would move Granger to the EWAC East bracket which would change which schools GHS plays against in the league. The WIAA will officially approve classification changes in January 2024.

- c. **2023-24 Federal and State Grants Update (Sarah Gardiner and Cris Santoyo)**

Sarah Gardiner, Assistant Superintendent, and Cris Santoyo, Director of Federal Programs & Assessments, gave the board an update on the federal and state program grants that GSD has received for the 2023-2024 school year. The update included an overview of each grant, the amount of each grant, and what each grant is allowed to fund. Sarah also shared that the ESSER (Learning Loss) grants are now completed. Those grants are not renewable as the state of emergency in Washington regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus) has ended. Sarah continually seeks out other grants for GSD to help support staff, students, and programs.

- d. **RES Supplemental Intervention Curriculum (Ann Bohrsen)**

RES Principal, Ann Bohrsen, shared a quote for supplemental material learning kits for the Spanish program at RES. She requested the board's approval to purchase the items to support student learning.

**e. Levy Resolution Option 1 variable rate & Option 2 flat rate (Amy Coats & Brian Hart)**

Business Manager, Amy Coats, shared two levy options with the board. Option one is to use a variable rate and option two is to use a flat rate of 1.75 per 1,000 of assessed value. Amy explained how each option could affect homeowners and the district. Amy also shared that the flat rate option would be easier for the voters to understand. The levy committee recommended the flat rate option.

**f. For and Against Committee Rules & Appointment Form (Brian Hart)**

When running a levy, it is required that voters have the opportunity to join the For/Against Committee. Because Granger School District is running a levy, we are responsible for appointing members to these committees if there are any interested parties. Each committee is responsible for writing and submitting arguments advocating for the approval of or rejection of the ballot issue and rebuttals of those arguments. Community members John Klarich and Brad Carpenter expressed their interest in serving on the “for” committee. There were no requests to serve on the “against” committee.

**g. Farm Lease Agreement (Brian)**

GSD owns the farming land on the corner of Second Avenue and Elenbaas Road. The land is currently being leased to Granger residents, Dean and Craig Oswald. The lease is up for renewal and the Oswald’s have requested to renew. The board reviewed and discussed the contract and found the need for some amendments and stipulations to be added before the lease can be renewed.

**h. WSSDA Conference Update (Kyle, Rick, & Brian)**

Superintendent Hart and board members, Kyle Shinn and Rick Russell, shared an update on the WSSDA conference they attended in Bellevue, Washington, November 16-18, 2023. They each shared their takeaways from the conference.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. 2023-24 Federal and State Grants**

Dalia Chavez-Isiordia made a motion to approve the 2023-24 Federal and State Grants as presented. Paul Golob seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried. The 2023-24 Federal and State Grants were approved as presented.

**b. RES Supplemental Intervention Curriculum**

Rick Russell made a motion to approve the RES Supplemental Intervention Curriculum as presented. Dalia Chavez-Isiordia seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried. The RES Supplemental Intervention Curriculum was approved as presented.

**c. For & Against Committee**

Paul Golob made a motion to approve the For/Against Committee as presented. Rick Russell seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried. The For/Against Committee was approved as presented.

**d. Levy Resolution**

Kyle Shinn made a motion to approve the Levy Resolution at the flat \$1.75 rate as presented. Paul Golob seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried. The Levy Resolution at the flat \$.175 rate was approved as presented.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **a. Inclement Weather Procedure**

The procedures that staff are to follow in case of a school delay or cancelation were shared with the board. These procedures were emailed to staff and are also posted on the GSD website under the staff tab.

### **b. Veterans Day Assembly Recap (November 9<sup>th</sup>)**

The Veterans Day Assembly that took place at GHS on November 9<sup>th</sup> went well. All students and staff districtwide attended this event. Words of thanks were shared by staff and students sang a few patriotic songs. Local veterans attended and were treated to breakfast after the assembly.

### **c. K12 Literacy Migrant Night Recap (November 15<sup>th</sup>)**

The K12 Literacy Night took place on November 15<sup>th</sup> at GHS. Approximately 150 people attended and learned about strategies to support literacy skills at home. All attendees received a goody bag, books, and dinner.

### **d. Heritage Assembly Recap (November 20<sup>th</sup>)**

The annual Heritage Assembly took place on November 20<sup>th</sup> at GHS. This event was in honor of National Native American Month. All students and staff attended this assembly. JOM students and guest participants performed traditional dances while guest drummers played.

### **e. Thanksgiving Break, November 22-24**

All district schools and offices will be closed November 22 through 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### **f. Santa's CTE Workshop, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00pm, GHS**

The annual Santa's CTE workshop takes place on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm at GHS. All district students and their families are invited to attend.

### **g. Winter Break, December 18<sup>th</sup>-January 1<sup>st</sup>**

All district schools will be closed Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> through Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> for winter break.

## **UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS**

### **c. School Board Session on PLCs, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-6:15 p.m. at Central Office**

### **d. Legislative Dinner Meeting, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm, Bon Vinos, Sunnyside**

### **e. December 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting (No Study Session in Dec)**

Superintendent Hart shared the dates, times, and locations of the upcoming meetings. These meetings are also posted on the district website and in the newspaper.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman, Ron Fleming, adjourned the regular board meeting at 8:00 p.m. and passed the gavel to Vice-Chairman, Dalia Chavez-Isiordia as this was Ron's last meeting before retiring from the board.

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Ron Fleming, Chairman

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Paul D. Golob, Board Member

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Kyle Shinn, Board Member

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Dalia Chavez – Isiordia, Vice-Chairman

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Rick Russell, Board Member

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Dr. Brian Hart, Superintendent, Secretary