

Grand Isle Supervisory Union

School Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Minutes

Board Present: Brad Blanchette, Tim Maxham, Sylvia Jensen, Whitney Doremus, Bob Chutter, Whitney Maxham

Admin Present: Michael Clark, Rob Gess, Megan Grube, Nick DeVita, Dave Brisson

Public Present: Michael Inners

Call to Order

1. Call to Order - Brad Blanchette called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

A moment of silence was taken for the victims of the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

2. Adjust the Agenda - would like to swap items number 6 and 7.

3. Citizens and/or Staff to be Heard - none

4. Consent Agenda

i. Approve the minutes from 4/26/2022 - Tim Maxham motions to approve the minutes as presented, Bob Chutter seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

ii. New hires - Michael shared the background of the new hires. Tim Maxham motions to accept the superintendent's recommendations and authorize Brad Blanchette to sign on behalf of the board, Bob Chutter seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

Luis Betancourt - Special Educator

Jennifer O'Neill - Instructional Coach

Matt Brouillette - Facilities Director

Reports

5. Financial - Rob Gess shared the budget to actuals provided in the packet. Rob updated the board on reimbursements received and grant awards that have been submitted. Rob also updated the board on the transition to the new Uniform Chart of Accounts. Tim Maxham motions that the board has received and reviewed the budget to actuals dated May 17, 2022 for FY22, Brad Blanchette seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

Superintendent - Michael Clark shared his written report provided in the packet. Michael added that the Central Office will shift to the summer hours starting June 17. The central office does not see a lot of traffic during the summer. The hours will be publicized for summer as 8-3 and closed on Friday. Staff can always be available by appointment.

Board Business.

7. FY21 Audit - Rob Gess shared there was a delay in getting some information from the AOE for the audit and a "punch list" was received by Sullivan and Powers. Anticipate getting everything back to the auditors no later than the first week of June. Have a plan to have them attend the GISU meeting in June to present the audit.

6. School and SU Data Snapshot - Megan Grube shared smarter balance data and the annual snapshot. Megan highlighted that the data will reflect the learning during a pandemic. She also highlighted the learning pathway and focus on foundational skills that were focused on during the pandemic to be able to allow teachers to build on the foundational skills. Megan shared data and comparisons to the state of VT as a whole as well for ELA and Math. Megan highlighted that the data shows that the GISU is on par or exhibits better trends in some cases. She highlighted the programs that are looking to be implemented throughout the GISU to address proficiency.

8. Superintendent Evaluation Process Study Committee - Brad Blanchette updated the board on the working group. There are 3 volunteers so far: himself, Michael Inners, and Bob Chutter. Brad indicated they were considering having Michael Clark and Megan Grube as consultants for this committee.

9. Verify authorization of signing/retention bonus for all GISU Employees - Michael Clark updated the board that individual boards have authorized the signing bonus for union and non-union employees. Bob Chutter motions to offer the \$1000 signing/retention bonus to the Central Office employees that are under contract for the 2022-2023 school year, Sylvia Jensen seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

12. Other

Closure

13. Setting the next agenda - Sub rates, FY21 Audit presentation by Sullivan & Powers

14. Adjourn - Sylvia Jensen motions to adjourn, Bob Chutter seconds, all in favor, motion passes. Meeting adjourns at 8:21 p.m.