

Grand Isle Supervisory Union
CIUUSD Regular Meeting
School Board Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Minutes

Board Present: Michael Inners, Brad Blanchette, Chet Bromley

Admin Present: Michael Clark, Rob Gess, Lauren Thomas, Amanda Ellison

Public Present: Sylvia Jensen, Kathleen Morrow

Call to Order

1. Call to Order - Michael Inners called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.
2. Citizens and/or Staff to be Heard - Sylvia Jensen shared updates regarding the Isle La Motte kitchen proposal. This included an exploratory survey on interest in use of the space from various stakeholders to solicit interest in the space. The next steps are to create a budget to identify potential funding sources and funding necessary to set up the space.
3. Adjust the agenda - 9. Budget review Will be moved to after the reports, but before the bills. Will also add under board communications a letter from the CIUUSD teachers proposing a buyout offer to teachers who have worked ten or more years in the district. This is not an item for action or discussion tonight, but will be added to a later agenda.
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approve the minutes from 10/5/2021 - Brad Blanchette motions to approve, Chet Bromley seconds, all in favor, motion passes.
5. Approval of bills for payment - Rob Gess requested to withdraw the small batch number - for summer food. Chet Broley motions to approve \$135,698.98 and authorize Michael Inners to sign on behalf of the board, Brad Blanchette seconds, all in favor, motion passes.
6. Reports
 - a. Superintendent's - Michael Clark shared his written report from the packet. He highlighted that the district is working with the VT Department of Health and there is a potential to have a voluntary pediatric vaccination clinic pending the vaccine approval from the CDC. More information to come when available.
 - b. Principal - Lauren Thomas shared the written information in the board report and the Grand Isle School has collected 136 pounds of candy for the National Guard at this time. The Grand Isle school is also looking into putting the cubical-style offices with the area before the central office to allow for confidential work spaces. It is through Exterus and would cost approximately \$8000. This will help provide services to families and access to services. Lauren also updated on the afterschool program. Amanda Ellison shared that the North Hero school has started their food drive and there are two upcoming events coming up at the school including the craft fair.
 - c. Financial - Rob Gess shared the budget to actuals and financial report in the packet. He highlighted that he has submitted a letter of intent for food service to be a CEP (community eligible program) so that all breakfast and lunch would be covered.

Board Business.

7. Audit - Rob Gess shared he has submitted the last requested documentation last week and anticipate having the final draft audit by the end of the week. As soon as it is received, will send out to board members for review.
8. FY23 Budget - rough draft review - Rob Gess shared the draft, it is showing a 2.6% increase from last year. Rob shared the projections being used to build the budget. Lauren and Amanda highlighted the resources they have budgeted for that build up the student experience and instructional support. The board discussed that it is too early to calculate the tax rates. Rob Gess reviewed the anticipated timeline for receiving the necessary information to calculate the tax rates.

9. Grand Isle boiler update - Michael Clark shared that the boilers have been ordered and the trailer has been removed. Have talked to a lease-to-own company and are negotiating a 3 year term with a 2.9% interest rate. Will update the board as more information is received.
10. F22 - Electronic Communications Use and Retention - Michael Inners reviewed that this was reviewed and approved by all other boards throughout the GISU. This is the catch-up to be in sync with the other boards.
11. D20 - Curriculum Development & Coordination - Michael Inners reviewed that this was reviewed and approved by all other boards throughout the GISU. This is the catch-up to be in sync with the other boards.
12. B22 - Public Complaints about Personnel & Instructional Material - Michael Inners reviewed that this was reviewed and approved by all other boards throughout the GISU. This is the catch-up to be in sync with the other boards.
13. A20 - Board meetings, Agenda Preparation & Distribution - Michael Inners reviewed that this was reviewed and approved by all other boards throughout the GISU. This is the catch-up to be in sync with the other boards.
14. C28 - Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students - Michael Inners reviewed that this was reviewed and approved by all other boards throughout the GISU. This is the catch-up to be in sync with the other boards.
15. Other

Closure

16. Setting the next agenda - Budget review, policy second reading, audit, general buyout offer response
17. Adjourn - Chet Bromley motions to adjourn, all in favor, motion passes. Meeting adjourns at 7:50 p.m.