

**Grand Island Central Catholic Middle and High School  
Board of Education Minutes  
January 17, 2018 6:00 p.m. (official minutes)**

**Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Ron Golka, President, called the meeting to order at 5:57 pm in the Conference Room. Prayer was led by Fr. Jim Golka.

Board members present: President-Ron Golka, Vice President-Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg, Secretary-Rina Huntwork, Rob Czaplewski, Laura Fox, Jim Rein, Fr. Marty Egging, and Fr. Don Buhrman. Also present: Jordan Engle, Phou Manivong, Mike Rohweder, Dick Ross, Dr. Julie Hehnke and Brenda Branstiter. Absent: Fr. Joe Kadaprayil, Fr. Jim Golka, and Lana Lenz.

**Additions to and adoption of Agenda**

Laura Fox moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg moved to approve the minutes from the November 29, 2018 regular Board of Education meeting. Second by Rob Czaplewski. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.

**Audience Communication**

None.

**Old Business**

Volunteerism policy ideas were discussed. Plans of a clear and well-defined policy will be presented at the April School Board meeting.

An Elementary Feasibility Study will be launched this week. On-line surveys and paper surveys will be distributed at the Parishes along with gathering some public feedback.

**Reports:**

**Standing Committees**

Monthly Meeting reports will be noted when meetings are held.

**Marketing, Public Relations, and Recruitment Committee**

This committee is preparing for the upcoming New Student Orientation/Night on January 28, 2019. Amazon smile and Script gift cards are an ongoing way of generating funds for GICC.

**Budget and Finance Committee**

A meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2019.

**Facilities Committee**

Meetings currently underway for the building bids.

**Policy and Review committee**

The committee met Wednesday, January 9, 2019 to review the board policy manual. Current Sections lettered from A to K were revised to Sections 100 to 900 for easier access. Sections 100 and 200 were reviewed and revised.

### **Director of Development Report**

Brenda reported some updates from the foundation office.

Donations for December: \$6,687 in general donations, \$15,000 in Adopt a Student donations, and \$2,480 in Memorial Donations.

The Capital Campaign has successfully generated \$1,702,860 in total donations.

Executive Director projects: "The Knight" Dinner and Auction 2018 made over \$326,000 in donations. New Chairpersons of "The Knight": Dr. Steve and Karla Schneider and Greg and Lisa Rerucha. Chairpersons working on the solicitation of committee chairs.

Go Big Give Planning to raise \$50,000. Chromebooks—\$30,000 and \$20,000 for Teacher devices and projectors/TV's for rooms.

### **Administrators Report:**

#### **Financial**

Mike Rohweder distributed copies of the current cash flow statement, presenting normal revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year to date which is half-way through the fiscal year, through the month ending December 31, 2018.

#### **Principal Report**

Jordan Engle reported that we have seven new students at GICC. Public relations are strong. Students were very excited about the monies raised for the Capital Campaign. Inquiry and meetings for the Catholic new elementary school feasibility study continues.

Jordan continues working with the Senior class for their graduation ceremony and they have embraced St. Michael the Archangel as their symbol of veneration.

Positive progress has been made with the school yearbooks from the years past to the current edition.

Seven GICC students attended TEC in Sidney, NE January 19-21, 2019. This is creating interest in rediscovering our Catholic identity at GICC.

#### **Vice-Principal Report**

Phou Manivong reported on the School's improvement progress and one aspect of improvement is the reading strategies and skills. The team will continue to meet regularly.

#### **Activities Director Report**

Dick Ross reported that winter activities are going well. Basketball, basketball conferences, musical practice, and the Fine Arts Speech team are some of the activities going on.

#### **Counselor's Report**

Dr. Hehnke continues working with seniors as they apply for scholarships and needing transcripts. She is currently working with the Juniors and preparing with the John Baylor program for the upcoming ACT. In addition, Dr. Hehnke is helping Juniors apply for the Greater Youth Leadership of Nebraska which fosters commitment to the community through development programs.

#### **New Business**

The Policy and Review Committee selected a new adopted and amended policy for New Student Admission to School which was brought before the School Board for ratification. Fr. Don Buhrman moved to have the School Board ratify these proposed changes pending the approval of our legal counsel. Second by Fr. Marty Egging. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.

The Curriculum Committee has met and proposed additions to future curriculum and graduation requirements.

Latin honors: Summa Cum Laude—GPA >4.1, Magna Cum Laude—4.0 < GPA <4.1, Cum Laude—3.9 < GPA <4.0. The Curriculum Committee moved to approve the Latin honors and recognition at commencement, effective January 2019. Second by Jim Rein. Members voting in favor: All. Motion passed.

High school Fine Arts requirements effective for the graduating class of 2023: The Curriculum Committee moved to approve that all high school students are required to include ten credits of administration approved Fine Arts electives as per graduation requirements. Second by Rob Czaplewski. Members voting in favor: All. Motion passed.

Honors classes: The ability for instructor discretion to offer additional Honors classes based on student needs. The Curriculum Committee moved to approve accepting Honors class offerings with instructor discretion and student needs. Second by Rob Czaplewski. Members voting in favor: All. Motion passed.

Senior class expectations: All Seniors are expected to take a minimum of six to seven classes and elective offerings. The senior scheduling shall consist of three options offered required for graduation. (Option I.) 7 required courses and administration approved electives. (Option II.) 6 required courses and administration approved electives and complete 100 additional community service hours, (Option III.) 6 required courses and administration approved electives and complete 100 hours of job shadowing experiences. The Curriculum Committee moved to approve the senior class expectations as approved by administration with a minimum coursework, additional service hours, and elective offerings. Second by Fr. Don Buhrman. Members voting in favor: All. Motion passed.

Retreat component: Required religious retreat, or mission trip, or pilgrimage approved by administration effective for the graduating class of 2022. The Curriculum Committee moved to approve accepting a retreat component required for graduation. Second by Fr. Don Buhrman. Members voting in favor: All. Motion passed.

Parent Volunteer day scheduled for May 17, 2019. This topic will have more information provided in an upcoming board meeting.

The Student Liaison dialogue is tabled for further discussion.

Bids for outbuilding dialogue is tabled for further discussion.

Transportation. The Bluebird bus dialogue is tabled for further discussion.

### **Items for Future Meetings**

Administrator evaluation. Board members to submit written evaluation due January 30, 2019. A personal evaluation to be conducted.

### **Executive Session**

None.

### **Next Board Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 6 pm.

### **Announcements**

None.

### **Adjournment and Closing Prayer**

Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Fr. Marty Egging. Members voting in favor: All. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Closing prayer was led by Fr. Marty Egging.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Rina Huntwork**

### **Board of Education**

Ron Golka, President (St. Leo's Representative-term ending June 2019)  
Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg, Vice President (St. Mary's Representative-term ending June 2021)  
Rina Huntwork, Secretary (Resurrection Representative-term ending June 2020)  
Rob Czaplewski (At Large Representative-term ending June 2019)  
Laura Fox (At Large Representative-term ending June 2020)  
Lana Lenz (Blessed Sacrament Representative-term ending June 2021)  
Jim Rein (At Large Representative-term ending June 2021)  
Rev. Donald Buhrman, Pastor St. Leo Church  
Rev. Martin Egging, Pastor Blessed Sacrament Church  
Rev. James Golka, Pastor Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Rev. Joseph Kadaprayil, Pastor Church of the Resurrection

### **Administration**

Jordan Engle, Principal  
Phou Manivong, Vice Principal  
Mike Rohweder, Business Manager  
Dick Ross, Activities Director  
Dr. Julie Hehnke, Guidance Counselor

### **Standing Committees**

#### **Budget and Finance Committee**

Mike Rohweder  
Fr. Don Buhrman  
Fr. Joe Kadaprayil  
Rob Czaplewski  
Ron Golka

#### **Curriculum and Academics Committee**

Jordan Engle  
Dr. Julie Hehnke  
Fr. Marty Egging  
Rina Huntwork  
Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg  
Laura Fox

#### **Facilities Committee**

Mike Rohweder  
Ron Golka  
Jim Rein

**Marketing Public Relations and Recruitment Committee**

Fr. Jim Golka  
Laura Fox  
Rob Czaplewski  
Lana Lenz  
Brenda Branstiter  
Janelle Armstrong

**Policy Review Committee**

Phou Manivong  
Ron Golka  
Rina Huntwork  
Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg