

**Grand Island Central Catholic Middle and High School
Board of Education Minutes
April 15, 2021 6:00 p.m. (Official minutes)**

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Ron Golka, President called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm in the Library. Prayer was led by Father Joe Kadaprayil

Roll Call/Attendance

Board members present: President Ron Golka, Vice-President Jim Rein, Secretary Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg, Rina Huntwork, Chris McCarraher, Rob Czaplewski, Al Corey, Fr. Jim Golka, Fr. Don Buhrman, Fr. Joe Kadaprayil, and Fr. Marty Egging. Also present: Jordan Engle, Mike Rohweder, Dr. Julie Hehnke, and Jolene Wojcik. Absent: Phou Manivong, Dick Ross and Randy Gleason

Additions to and adoption of Agenda

Rob Czaplewski moved to approve the agenda. Second by Al Corey. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Rina Huntwork moved to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2021 Regular Board of Education meeting. Second by Rob Czaplewski. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed

Audience and Communication

Jordan Engle handed out invitations to the Fine Arts Showcase to all board members, on behalf of the Fine Arts Guild.

Old Business

Ron Golka reported that the Exec Committee of Ron Golka, Jim Rein, and Jeannee Mueller Fossberg, along with Father Marty Egging, met with Jordan Engle to go over his evaluation from the School Board. A 2 year contract was offered and Jordan accepted that offer.

Reports:

Standing Committees

Policy and Review Committee

No report

Marketing, Public Relations, and Recruitment Committee

The committee met at Kinkaiders April 14 to recap Explore GICC Night and Shadow Day. There were 49 students at Explore GICC Night and 40 at Shadow Day. There will be 5 more students shadowing next week Janelle Armstrong is good at sending surveys and has received 100% feedback from those involved. Attendance for 2021-2022 is looking up.

Curriculum Committee

Jordan reported they did not meet

Facilities Committee

Jim Rein and Rob Czaplewski stated their items to report are on tonight's agenda

Budget and Finance Committee

Mike Rohweder reported they have not met again

Fundraising Assessment Committee

Jordan reported there has been no meeting

Fine Arts Guild

Jordan reported they are busy preparing for the Fine Arts Showcase set for April 25. They are also working on scholarship applications.

Athletic Booster Club

Jim Rein reported the Athletic Banquet is tentatively set for April 27, as that is the possible day for the Sophomore retreat. Steak Feed is set for August 14

Administrators Report

Vice Principal Report

No report from Phou Manivong

Counselor's Report

Dr Julie Hehnke reported Pre-ACT results for 10th graders came back March 24. Results will be discussed and reviewed with students April 20. Schedule requests have been submitted for all students and will be reviewed by Dr Hehnke and Mr Engle. Senior Mass and Honor Day will be May 7 at 8 am. Graduation is May 9 at 2pm. People attending will be required to wear masks, but we should be able to allow more people to attend than last year. Scholarships are still coming in, with many to be announced around April 30th/May 1st. 10th and 11th graders submitted CCC coursework request for summer and fall courses--approximately 28 students taking summer courses, over 85 courses will be taken by GICC students in the fall. 5 students expressed interest in the UNK coursework and 2 students have registered for the CNA coop class at CCC for Northwest, GICC, Centura and Wood River.

Activities Director Report

Jordan reported in the absence of Dick Ross. Spring sports are off to a good start. The golf team claimed a championship at Ord. The boys track team has been mentioned in the paper as one of the top teams. The soccer coop team and the tennis teams are doing well also. For Fine Arts, the musical had great attendance. Many concerts and competitions are coming up for middle school and high school vocal music and band.

Financial Report

Mike Rohweder distributed copies of the current cash flow statement, presenting revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year to date, through the month ending March 31, 2021. We are 75% through the school year. Everything is on track. Mike again thanked the parishes for their help. Revenue has been good. \$40,000 was forwarded from the Foundation to offset payroll. The expense side has been uneventful. There was no insurance claim for the phone system, since the water came through the wall, not the window. \$5,000 from the Foundation was forwarded to offset the new BTS phone system. Cash balance is about the same as last month.

Director of Development Report

Jolene Wojcik reported the grant submitted to JBS Hometown Strong for student lunches and janitor costs was denied. The Community Foundation Youth Philanthropy Board grant submitted by FBLA is pending. New grants being applied for are JBS Hometown Strong for a new cafeteria and kitchen and for a FEMA Nonprofit Security Grant for physical security enhancements due to risks of a terrorist attack/shooter. Go Big Give is scheduled for May 6. GICC does not have an in person event scheduled. Alumni are helping contact classmates. The goal is \$60,000 and we have \$30,000 in matching funds. Go Big Give money will go to chromebooks, middle school science curriculum and high school math curriculum. Please donate to this cause. Phantom of the Knight is November 19. They are working on gift acquisition and auction items. Scholarship winners are being selected by the Foundation's Scholarship Committee. This year the Foundation is asking the scholarship recipients to

bring thank yous to the office, for the Foundation to give to the scholarship donors. Donations received in March are \$514 for Adopt a Student, \$1,170 for Memorials and \$2,152 for other donations.

Principal Report

Jordan Engle reported 41 students attended Shadow Day...5 more are coming. 17 6th graders are enrolled. Annual Staff evals have been completed. Planning has started for summer building usage. They are working on details for camps and availability. As of April 15, we are fully staffed with 3 resignations and 3 hires. Lieutenant Mike Foley was at the school today talking about Pro Life Activism and the students loved it. A mental health speaker came in to talk to the students about self care and the students were excited to talk about it. Jordan and Dr Hehnke talked to 9-12 graders during study hall about self care methods. Hearing good reviews about that. They are looking for ways to tie in the gospel. Jordan thanked the Board for the 2 year contract offer. He said his family loves it here. Jordan said he is honored to be at GICC and looks forward to serving and working with the students at GICC for years to come.

New Business

- a. Approval of Contract - Mitchell Miller -has been offered a contract for Athletic Training/PT Transitional Teaching. Rob Czaplewski moved to approve the contract. Jim Rein seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed
- b. Approval of bid - Gym Wall mats - Jim Rein reported on behalf of the Athletic Boosters About replacing the gym wall mats in the old gym. Rob got a bid for \$6500 from Cornhusker State Industries. The Booster Club will use their own money from button Funding. Should have then by the end of July and they will install. Father Marty Egging Moved to approve. Father Don Buhrman seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed
- c. Summer Building Project - Hallway/classroom walls - Jim Rein reported they have Received 3 bids. After talking to the Foundation, they have money to do the hallways And classrooms out of Capital Campaign funds.. Teachers will need to know soon so they can have rooms ready for the work. Cost for hallways, labor, paint and 26 classrooms is \$40,000. Wonder Woman Painting will do the work and it should take 3-4 weeks. Father Marty Egging moved to approve. Rina Huntwork seconded. Members Voting in favor: all. Motion passed
- d Summer Building Project - Front Office Renovation - Mike Rohweder, Jim Rein, and Rob Czaplewski acquired bids for this work, which includes carpet, tile, an alternate Escape route for Amy, new desk and counter top. Ziller Tile will be doing the project. Cost is \$15,000 to \$17,000 and will be paid by the Foundation. Father Jim Golka Moved to approve. Jim Rein seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed
- e Revisit Tuition Policy - a letter written by the school and sent in the fall about 3 Tier Tuition was revisited. It was an attempt to encourage families to participate more in Their parishes. Feedback from parents was not positive. The Parish Priests met and Thought they could come up with a letter to invite parents to visit with them about ways To become more involved in their Parishes and not do just the minimum. The School Does not replace Parish involvement. There was much discussion and the decision to Start an Evangelism team on how to get them involved will be formed.

Items for Future Meetings

Contract for Spanish Teacher
Evangelizing Team
Process of gathering School Board nominations
School Board committee reassignments

Executive Session

None

Next Board Meeting

The next Board meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, May 20, 2021. That is the last day of school and might not be a good day to have the meeting.

Announcements

None

Adjournment and Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm. Closing prayer was led by Father Don Burhman. Father Jim Golka moved to adjourn. Jim Rein seconded. Members voting in favor: all Motion passed

**Respectfully submitted,
Jeannee Mueller Fossberg**

Board of Education

Ron Golka, President (At Large Representative-term ending June 2022)
Jim Rein, Vice President (At Large Representative term ending June 2021, ABC rep)
Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg, Secretary (St. Mary's Representative-term ending June 2021)
Rina Huntwork (Resurrection Representative-term ending June 2023)
Chris McCarraher (At Large Representative-term ending June 2023, Fine Arts rep)
Rob Czaplewski (Blessed Sacrament Representative-term ending June 2021)
Al Corey (Foundation Liaison and St. Leo's Representative-term ending June 2022)
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
Jim Rein
Ron Golka
Jordan Engle

Curriculum and Academics Committee

Jordan Engle
Dr. Julie Hehnke

Fr. Marty Egging
Rina Huntwork
Jeannee Mueller-Fossberg

Facilities Committee

Mike Rohweder
Ron Golka
Jim Rein
Rob Czaplewski
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Marketing Public Relations and Recruitment Committee

Fr. Jim Golka
Al Corey
Rob Czaplewski
Janelle Armstrong

Policy Review Committee

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Fundraising Assessment Committee

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