

**Grand Island Central Catholic Middle and High School  
Board of Education Minutes  
March 25, 2021 6:00 p.m. (Unofficial minutes)**

**Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Jim Rein, Vice President called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm in the Library. Prayer was led by Father Marty Egging.

**Roll Call/Attendance**

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

**Additions to and adoption of Agenda**

Father Marty Egging moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Executive Session. Second by Rina Huntwork. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

Rob Czaplewski moved to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2021, Regular Board of Education meeting. Second by Rina Huntwork. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed

**Audience and Communication**

None

**Old Business**

None

**Reports:**

**Standing Committees**

**Policy and Review Committee**

Phou reported - gladly, no report

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

Jordan reported Explore GICC Night was held March 22 with over 50 kids and parents attending. Follow up has been intense because the Explore GICC night was held later than in the past, so time is running short to get students enrolled. 5 applications have been received after Explore GICC night. There aren't usually any. The committee felt it was successful and is collecting feedback. Shadow Day is April 8 with 15 potential students already signed up.

**Curriculum Committee**

Jordan stated no report

### **Facilities Committee**

Rob Czaplewski and Mike Rohweder reported for the committee. Bids for work in the front office are being accepted. Greg Rempe will be doing renovations this summer on 2 upstairs and 2 downstairs bathrooms. Ray O'Connor was in to offer advice. Plans are to clean this bus barn this summer. Hallways will be painted also. They reported it is a bidding world at this time. Planning to work on classrooms a year from now.

### **Budget and Finance Committee**

Jordan and Mike Rohweder stated that there is a budget, which is on the agenda and will be reported on at that time.

### **Fundraising Assessment Committee**

Jordan reported there is nothing new at this time. Janelle Armstrong is working on the Handbook.

### **Fine Arts Guild**

Jordan reported they are working on scholarship applications and helping with areas of the musical. He encouraged the Board to attend the musical "Anything Goes" this Friday, Saturday and Sunday

### **Athletic Booster Club**

Dick Ross reported the Steak Feed will be held August 14<sup>th</sup>. This is just for Central Catholic. The Athletic Banquet will be May 27. They have received 2 bids on new padding in the old gym. There will be a track clean up March 27. They are looking at purchasing new chairs for the gym sidelines. This may possibly be an item for the budget.

### **Administrators Report**

#### **Vice Principal Report**

Mr Manivong reported there was nothing new to report

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

Dr Julie Hehnke reported she had lots of things to report on. Colleges are trying to get out and meet with students. Rotary Youth Leadership opportunity is available for students. Youth Leadership Tomorrow and Youth Philanthropy Board applications were due March 1<sup>st</sup>. Girls State has decided to be virtual this summer, partly due to cost for programming. Boys State may still take place. HOBY has decided to go virtual. Scholarship applications have been submitted to many organizations. Some deadlines are not until April 1<sup>st</sup> and mid April. ACT prep has started. Pre ACT testing has taken place for 10<sup>th</sup> graders, Crisis Team met for training on development of plan. There were new members. Follow up training will be coming before the end of the school year. GICC Foundation has a grant to fund the training facilitator. Staff Professional Development funds are helping pay after hours staff training Scheduling for next year will begin this Friday. Mr Engle and Dr Hehnke will explain next year options to students. We are working with UNK, in collaboration with Wood River, Centura, Northwest and Doniphan Trumbull to bring UNK classes to College Park. CCC courses are also available for summer and fall. Seniors may also take a CNA certified nursing course at CCC on Fridays.

### **Activities Director Report**

Dick Ross reported the Winter Sports Season is finished with our students doing very well. Boys swimming - Jonathan Novinski was 4<sup>th</sup> in the 400 free relay. Michael Sambula-Monza 8<sup>th</sup> in 200 free, 7<sup>th</sup> in 500 free, 4<sup>th</sup> in 400 free. Jonathan Schardt and Zach Cloud also participated. Kate Novinski was on the girls swimming team. Girls' basketball team qualified for state and lost to Winnebago in the 1<sup>st</sup> round. Boys' basketball team won the C2 state title. Speech Team was District Runner up with qualifiers in 4 events for State. Hayden Price finished 5<sup>th</sup> at State in Extemporaneous. Spring Sports have begun, with 51% of our students participating. Coop Soccer team is competing now. The musical "Anything Goes" is this weekend.

### **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 February 28, 2021. The year is 2/3 over and we are right on target. He pointed out besides tuition and parish assessments, we received revenue from the Foundation from the Knight Fund an Item. Expenses - we had less expenses than expected on snow removal. \$600 was spent on roof repairs. Other than that, nothing much exciting or unexpected has happened on the expense side. Other than after the rains, the phone system was fried and we needed to replace the phone system, The phone system we had was bought in 2016 and cost \$16,000. To replace this system, it cost \$9,000. As this expense needed to be approved by the school board and was an immediate need, the School board voted in favor to replace the system, via email. Mike was thanked for all his continued hard work.

### **Director of Development Report**

Jolene Wojcik reported that some grants have been applied for and are still pending, including JBS Hometown Strong grants. FBLA has applied for a \$10,000 Youth Philanthropy Board grant through the Community Foundation. The Foundation has taken on the big job of applying for a new grant with an April 9 deadline for providing school security against terrorists. Go Big Give is set for May 6, The Foundation has set a goal of \$60,000 for Go Big Give with money to be used for Chromebooks, the new middle school science curriculum and high school math curriculum. They are planning to hand out sunglasses for a "It's Cool to be a Crusader" theme. Not planning an in-person event. The theme for the Knight is "Phantom of the Knight" for November 19. The Spring 2020/2021 newsletter is ready to be mailed and emailed. College Scholarship recipients will start soon. Detailed reports of donations to the Foundation and transfers to the school for February were shown. A report on the ongoing Capital Campaign was handed out showing amounts budgeted and amounts actually spent. Projects yet to be funded total \$393,137.

### **Principal Report**

Jordan reported info night was very successful. There were lots of new people/families in attendance. Summer attrition should not be a problem this year. Jordan and Dr Hehnke are working on wrapping up next year's class offerings. New classes are Video Journalism, including photography, school reporting and social media being taught by Mr Ryan Smith; CNA Health Science at College Park through UNK is being explored. Jordan has contacted the school insurance company about helping with the deductible for the new phone system. Service Day scheduled for April 30, will have a different look. Parishes have been contacted about having students helping from 9-11:30 in the morning. Instead of an afternoon of reflecting on what was done in the morning, the students will spend time deep cleaning the school.

### **New Business**

- a. Budget proposal SY 21-22 - Revenue was based on 40 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Increase of 3% for parents and parishes. The budget shows a deficit of \$183,000. We have received a state grant, EANS - Emergency Assist Non-public schools, to help offset costs. When LB364 is out of committee, there will be more support from this tax credit bill. Student recruitment will also help. Jeannee Mueller Fossberg moved to approve the proposed budget. Rob Czaplewski seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed  
Thanks to Mike Rohweder and the Budget Committee for all their work on the budget
- b. Approval of renewed contracts - certified staff - Kerry O'Connor, Science; Jackie Dirkschneider, PE; Kate Schendt, Spanish - have all turned in letters of resignation. Father Marty Egging moved to approve the resignations. Father Jim Golka seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed.
- c. Approval of new contract - Kelley Ward has been offered a contract for PE and Business. She will also Coach. Kelley is certified in PE and Business. She had many years of Experience at Barr Middle School. Rob Czaplewski moved to approve the contract. Father Jim Golka seconded. Members voting in favor: all. Motion passed
- d. Approval of new contract - Mitchell Miller -has been offered a contract for Athletic Training/PT Transitional Teaching. He is certified in science, anatomy and biology. Mitchell is a first year teacher and alumni of Northwest High School. Rob Czaplewski Moved to approve the contract. Rina Huntwork seconded. Members voting in favor: all  
Motion passed

### **Items for Future Meetings**

Contract for Spanish teacher

### **Executive Session**

Meeting went into Executive session at 7:05PM. The meeting went out of Executive session at 7:13PM.

Jeannee Mueller Fossberg moved a contract be offered to Jordan Engle. Rob Czaplewski seconded the motion. Members voting in favor: all Motion passed Jordan Engle accepted the contract offer!!!

### **Next Board Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be Thursday, April 15, 2021 \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Announcements**

School musical is this weekend

### **Adjournment and Closing Prayer**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm. Closing prayer was led by Father Jim Golka

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**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  
Shane Stava

**Marketing Public Relations and Recruitment Committee**

Fr. Jim Golka  
Al Corey  
Rob Czaplewski  
Janelle Armstrong

**Policy Review Committee**

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Matthew Armstrong  
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