

**Graettinger-Terril Community School District  
Regular Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting  
February 27, 2017**

**All votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted.**

The Graettinger-Terril Community School Board of Directors met on Monday, February 27, 2017 in the MS/HS Library. The meeting was called to order by President Kyle Norris at 5:34 p.m. Other members in attendance included: Vice President Galen Chicoine, Board Members: Jeremiah DePyper and Kevin Jensen. Absent was Mat Hanson. Administration in attendance: Superintendent Andrew Woiwood, MS/HS Principal Jeremy Simington, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Director Chris Myers and Board Secretary Angie Woods. Guest(s) included: AEA Financial team, CMBA Architects and members of the local communities.

Jensen motioned to adopt the agenda as presented with having CMBA Architects presentation after the Welcome/Patron comments. Seconded by DePyper. Motioned carried.

Norris thanked Administration for all the support they gave the staff and students in the sudden passing of a staff member. Norris asked for a moment of silence for remembrance of Mel DeGroot. Board and Guest recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chicoine moved to approve the January 23, 2017 Regular Board Minutes and February 22, 2017 Joint Board Minutes. Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

Chicoine moved to approve Bills, Claims, and VISA statement. DePyper seconded. Motioned carried.

Bader presented the Financials to the Board. Jensen moved to approve the financial report. Seconded by DePyper. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**9.2 Curriculum-Informational**

Myers explained how they will take a look at how our reading compares to the AEA at the Winter Proficiency Check. Currently looking at a program that very closely resembles the Iowa FAST for reading only this is for math. We give an assessment 3 times a year, from the assessment, we see who is lacking in proficiency then do progress monitoring lessons to bring them to the level they need to be based on Iowa. With MAP, we only know that they are low and must find something on our own.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1 Activity Calendar**

DePyper moved to accept the Activity Calendar for March with moving the Board Meeting to Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in Terril and adding a Board Work Session March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Graettinger. Seconded by Chicoine. Motion carried.

**9.2 Master Calendar-Informational**

Woiwood reviewed Master Calendar options with the Board. Discussion was held about moving PD days to Wednesdays.

**9.3 Renewal of Cooperative Sponsorship of Activity-Informational**

Cooperative Sponsorship is now done online-GT shares all athletic, music and speech programs with RA.

**9.4 Summer Lunch Program**

DePyper moved to approve having the summer lunch program again for the summer of 2017. Chicoine seconded. Motion carried.

**9.5 Summer Projects-Summer 2017**

Woiwood reviewed the options for summer projects in the Graettinger Building, Terril Building, and Technology.

**9.6 Terril Telephone and River Valley Internet Contracts**

Tabled till March 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

**9.7 Budget Guarantee Resolution**

Woiwood explained to the Board that this resolution is annually and we may or may not qualify for the Budget Guarantee, but we will not get it if we don't pass the Resolution. Chicoine motioned to approve the resolution. Seconded by DePyper. Motion carried.

**9.8 Open Enrollment**

Woiwood reviewed open enrollments for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 that met the guidelines. J.F- 11<sup>th</sup>, CN- 1<sup>st</sup> to Okoboji. BR-7<sup>th</sup> and BR-8<sup>th</sup> to GT from RA, BK-KG, DP-8<sup>th</sup> to Okoboji, EN-8<sup>th</sup>, IN-9<sup>th</sup>, CN-12<sup>th</sup> to Emmetsburg and JV-K to Spencer. DePyper moved to approve all the open enrollments. Seconded by Chicoine. Motioned carried.

9.9 Field Placement Cooperative Agreement-U of I

Approval of agreement for Student Teachers from U of I to work at Graettinger-Terril CSD. Jensen motioned to approve the agreement between GT and U of I. Seconded by Chicoine. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL**

None at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Building and Grounds Committee will have a meeting 5:30 p.m. March 2<sup>nd</sup> in Graettinger.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

12.1 Woiwood-Superintendent

There will be a Board Work Session-March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 p.m. in Graettinger with Facilities Project Planning Committee.

TLC-January- <https://www.smore.com/88kj9> The TLC National Convention in New Orleans is March 23<sup>rd</sup>-March 26.

Josh Bader presented Budget FY18 informational only.

Calendar- hours remaining for 16/17- Students and teachers will need to make up the 5 full days that we have missed.

1/10,1/16,1/17,1/25 and 2/24. Make up days 5/22-5/26. Late start and early out times of the calendar (300 min.) will not be made up.

Currently checking with Kingston Ins. About rates for 2017-18. Checking to offer Dental and Vision ins. For staff members to purchase on their own. ISEBA will offer these and will present us a quote for insurance if the Board wishes to look at other options. Quotes are now in and will be reviewing on Thursday with Brenda.

12.2 Simington-MS/HS Principal

Donations for two projects: Basketball Shooting Machine “the gun” as of last week have raised just over \$1000 towards the project. After speaking with our Athletic Directors who had been approached by multiple parents and community members we put out a request for donations. With those donations we are currently up to \$2100.

With the passing of our staff member this month, it is important to do something to honor Mr. Mel DeGroot. Mel loved the outdoors and we want to provide people with a space where people can sit and enjoy the outdoors like he did. Simington stated he has been in contact with the Lost Island Nature Center and the bench will most likely be near the center close to the lake.

TLC Update: Mr. Benedict has been working with some of our teachers in the district. He has been assisting them the past few weeks and helping with development of lesson plans and unit plans. Mr. Benedict stated that this experience of mentoring new teachers has been one of the most rewarding experiences that he has experienced in education.

12.3 Myers-Elementary Principal

We receive a lot of positive remarks about how well our students work and behave from substitutes, people outside of the community and parents and relatives alike. We are not perfect, but we hear good things.

Teachers, students, parents and others in the building are constantly talking about the progress of children in academics and this far outweighs anything having to do with behavior and has occurred much more this year than in the previous ones I have been here.

IA Assessments are completed and we are waiting to hear back as to how things went.

**BOARD SECRETARY COMMENTS**

None at this time

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Negotiations will start soon.

Asked for an updated on MS Math and Science instructor- Mrs. Masters fill in the first 3 days, Amanda Zylstra has been hired as long term sub. She has only her Math endorsement.

Adjourned 7:45 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary