

**GRAND RIDGE DISTRICT #95  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

February 8, 2022

The February regular monthly Grand Ridge School Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Mike Wielgopolan, on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Answering present were: Mary Domoleczny, Rich Frye, Kate Jaegle, John Lubelski, George Lukach and Kayla Simons. Also present were Ted Sanders, Terry Ahearn and Judy Wilkinson.

Visitors to the meeting were: George Blatnik, Brayden Batistini, Nastasha Mejia, Jessi Ham, Keshya Campbell, Ben Campbell, Dottie Groesch, Nick Groesch, Zach Grady, April Grady, Rachel Lacke, Brian Lacke, Michael Jaegle, Brad Krebsbach, Kristine Krebsbach, Amanda Jaegle, Megan Black, Jordan Delmet, Bruce Delmet, Lori Carbone, Jessica Blakemore, Amy Cave, Krystal Cave, Richard Holstein, Joe Durdan, Chad Christensen, Kevin Fialko, Liz Fialko, Robert Calhan, Jon Woodyer, Nikki Speirer and Shannon Marshall.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the minutes of the January 18 and January 28 meetings were made by Rich Frye. This was seconded by George Lukach. Voice vote taken: All ayes. Motion passed.

Matt Lamps of BCA Architects spoke via Zoom to the board. He discussed the additional electrical updates in the east and west wings of the school and the addition of air conditioning systems for 14 classrooms. Bids will be taken. A Project Authorization to Agreement Between Owner and Architect was shared with the board. Ted added that the school has grant money to help in the costs. A motion was made to proceed forward by George Lukach and seconded by Kate Jaegle. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved, to be placed on file for further audit with a motion made by Kate Jaegle and seconded by Kayla Simons. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Payment of Bills:** The bills for the month of February were inspected and presented for payment. A motion was made to approve the bills by John Lubelski. This was seconded by Mary Domoleczny. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** The following addressed the Board in public comment in opposition to the mask mandate: Zach Grady, Jordyn Delmet, Amy Cave, Chad Christiansen, Megan Black, Nikki Speirer, Dottie Groesch, Bruce Delmet, Brad Krebsbach, Krystal Cave, Rick Holstein, George Blatnik and Joe Durdan. Mike thanked everyone for a constructive, meaningful discussion.

**Principal's Report:**

- **February Calendar:** Mr. Ahearn shared with the Board the February calendar highlighting the Science Fair on February 10, the Junior High Reward's party on February 11 and Ava Offermann's FFA award.

**Superintendent's Report:**

- **Lighting Upgrade:** Mr. Sanders shared with the Board that a quote was received for upgrading the lights to LED capability in the older portion and classrooms of the building. The work can be done in phases if needed.
- **Keyless Entry Option:** A maintenance grant is available for a keyless entry system for the school building. Ficek has given the school a revised quote which will be covered under the grant.
- **Snow Days:** Two snow days were taken February 2 and 3. The call out letting everyone know went well.

**Executive Session** - A motion was made at 8:48p.m. by Jon Lubelski to move to closed session to discuss the mask options. This was seconded by Kayla Simons A voice vote was taken: All aye. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 10:53 p.m. on a motion made by Rich Frye and seconded by George Lukach. Voice vote taken. All aye. Motion carried.

Mike Wielgopalan let visitors know that masks will be optional beginning Thursday, February 10, 2022, following the Return to Instruction guidelines that were set in August. He explained the risks involved and also stated that this could be temporary. George Lukach thanked everyone. Rich Frye reminded that masks must still be worn on buses. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rich Frye. This was seconded by Mary Domoleczny. Voice vote taken: All ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:03p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Grand Ridge School Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judy Wilkinson  
Secretary: Board of Education

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President: Board of Education

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